

FACULTY STATUS AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

***Resolution Opposing the Offering of Four-Year Degrees
At Community Colleges***

WHEREAS according to the Illinois Community College Board website, community colleges in the state of Illinois were founded to supply community based opportunity for preparation for college transfer to other universities, and community colleges are a significant source of undergraduate students for Illinois colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS community colleges have indicated that their #1 mission is baccalaureate education and have pending legislation to remove oversight for all functions from the IBHE to the Illinois Community College Board; and

WHEREAS it has come to the attention of the SIUC Faculty Senate that a four-year degree program is being offered at John A. Logan Community College under the auspices of Mid-Continent University's ADVANTAGE degree program, and it appears that this program will lead to the granting of the bachelors degree in business management;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate of SIUC strongly opposes the offering of four-year degrees at community colleges and encourages the presidents of each institution related to this matter to meet and discuss the imminence of student enrollment to the mutual advantage of both institutions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of SIU address the Senate with a transparent plan of implementation.

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