

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Resolution to Recommend Approval of the Addition of the Specialization in Health and Safety Management to the Bachelor of Science Degree in Technical Resource Management

WHEREAS the College of Applied Sciences and Arts seeks to offer a Specialization in Health and Safety Management to Southern Illinois University students to meet the demands for positions as health and safety supervisors or health and safety inspectors; and

WHEREAS the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) has established a working relationship with the Department of Health Education and Recreation (HED) to develop core courses for careers in health and safety management, and students will be prepared to pursue at least three certifications conferred by the Council on Certification of Health, Environmental and Safety Technologies (CCHES): Safety Trained Supervisors, Construction Safety and Health Technicians and/or Occupational Health and Safety Technicians; and

WHEREAS health and safety in the workplace has become a primary concern: the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA) officials contend that most industrial facilities and all major construction projects require a safety trained supervisor on site; and data from the U.S. Department of Labor's Education and Training Administration (DOL ETA) and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) considers training in Health and Safety Management as one of 12 high growth industries for in-demand employment of skilled workers for a competitive 21st century workforce;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommend the RME to Establish the Addition of the Specialization in Health and Safety Management to the Bachelor of Science Degree in Technical Resource Management.

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