

**PROPOSAL TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY****TITLE OF THE PROPOSAL:**

Proposal to Transfer the Department of Economics to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences from the College of Business.

**SPONSOR:**

Jesse G. Delia, Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 294 Lincoln Hall, MC-448, 333-1350; and

Avijit Ghosh, Dean, College of Business, 260 Wohlers Hall, MC-706, 333-2747

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

The Collegiate administrative home of the Department of Economics will be shifted from the College of Business to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

Economics is a central social science discipline that resides on most campuses in the College of Arts and Sciences. Even on campuses where a department of economics is organized within the business school, it is typical for such departments to provide undergraduate major and graduate degrees in Economics through the College of Arts and Sciences. The shift of Administrative home of the Department of Economics will be made in a seamless fashion and will bolster strengthening of the core social sciences disciplines housed in the LAS College. This transfer has been endorsed by positive vote of the faculty of the Department of Economics.

**BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS:****a. Additional staff and dollars needed**

None. Funds sufficient to maintain the department's budget and staffing and to sustain full current support of the department will be transferred from the College of Business to the College of LAS based on detailed analyses of earnings and expenditures under the campus budgeting system. The financial shifts include transfer of funds associated with the full-cost recovery M.S. in Economics (Policy Economics).

**b. Internal reallocations (e.g., change in class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratio, etc.)**

None. Going forward issues of relating to on-going staffing and instructional delivery will be addressed within the policies and procedures of the LAS College.

c. Effect on course enrollment in other departments and explanations of discussions with representatives of those departments.

None. The transfer is supported by other units in the College of Business and the College of Business Advisory Committee and will be approved before submission to the UIUC Senate by the LAS Executive Committee and LAS faculty. In addition, open public hearing will be held in accordance with Senate Rule 13 governing unit terminations, mergers, and transfers.

d. Impact on library, computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc.

Administrative, computing and other support for Economics at levels parallel to that now provided through the College of Business will be provided through the LAS College.

**CLEARANCES:**

Steven R. Williams 10/20/03  
Department of Economics Date

A. L. C. 10/20/03  
College of Business Date

Jane G. Pelton 10/20/03  
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Date

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Office of the Provost Date

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**

Fall 2004

## PROPOSAL TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

### TITLE OF THE PROPOSAL:

Proposal to Transfer Graduate Degree Programs in Economics from the College of Business to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

### SPONSOR:

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### BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

The Department of Economics is transferring from the College of Business to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The LAS College already manages the BA in Economics. This proposal transfers authority for managing the graduate degrees in Economics from the College of Business to the College of LAS. These degrees are:

Degree	Current Code	Banner Code
Nondegree	261317	10KS0074NDREG (regular)
Nondegree	261417	10KS0074NDREG (policy economics)
MA in Economics	261317	10KS0074MA
MS in Economics	261317	10KS0074MS
MS in Economics	261417	10KS0088MS (Specialization in Policy Economics)
PhD in Economics	261317	10KS0074PHD

The transfer of degrees will be handled under campus procedures that assure course enrollment, degree progress, and granting of degrees will not be disrupted.

### JUSTIFICATION:

The transfer of management oversight of the graduate degrees to the LAS College will maintain alignment of collegiate oversight of academic administration and curricular. The transfer of the Department of Economics, which has been endorsed by positive vote of the faculty of the Department of Economics, is advanced in an accompanying proposal.

### BUDGETARY AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS:

a. Additional staff and dollars needed

None. Funds sufficient to maintain the department's budget and staffing and to sustain full current support of the department will be transferred from the College of Business to the College of LAS based on detailed analyses of earnings and expenditures under the campus budgeting system. The financial transfers include shift of funds associated with the full-cost recovery M.S. in Economics (Policy Economics).

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c. Effect on course enrollment in other departments and explanations of discussions with representatives of those departments

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**CLEARANCES:**

Steven R. Williams 10/20/03  
Department of Economics Date

L. L. 10/20/03  
College of Business Date

June G. Miller 10/29/03  
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Date

P. Whelan 1/22/04  
Graduate College Date

Office of the Provost Date

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2004