

**ILLINOIS STATE  
UNIVERSITY**

**BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES**

**Resolution No. 2021.02/02**  
**Approval of M.S. in Nutrition**

**Resolution**

Whereas, the Board of Trustees, as authorized by the Board of Trustees Governing Document, Section A, Government Statutes, Subsection 5, Reservation of Powers, has reserved to itself the final decision-making authority for the establishment of any new unit of instruction requiring approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the proposal for degree granting authority for the M.S. in Nutrition.

Board Action on: \_\_\_\_\_  
Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_  
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ATTEST: Board Action, February 19, 2021

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**Board of Trustees  
Illinois State University  
Approval of M.S. in Nutrition**

The proposed M.S. in Nutrition program would be administered by the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences within the College of Applied Science and Technology. The program is based on the long-standing Dietetic Internship sequence in the M.S. in Family and Consumer Sciences program and is intended to replace that sequence. Currently over half of the graduate students in the M.S. in Family and Consumer Sciences have a nutrition focus. The new M.S. in Nutrition degree program will include two sequences, a Nutrition sequence and a Dietetic Internship sequence. Additionally, the Distance Dietetic Internship Graduate Certificate will be housed within this new program.

The rationale for this new program is to provide distinction for students studying nutrition within the discipline of Family and Consumer Sciences. A Master's degree in Nutrition, rather than the more general Master's degree in Family and Consumer Sciences we have now, will be more visible to potential students and make graduates more competitive for jobs in their respective subfields within nutrition. Further, the Commission on Dietetic Registration is requiring a graduate degree for registered dietitians effective January 1, 2024.

A thesis and non-thesis option and a two-course core of Statistics in Applied Science and Technology (FCS 445) and Introduction to Research Methodology (FCS 497) are required for both sequences. The remaining hours will be split between nutrition-focused electives with potential for electives outside of the department, depending on student interest and goals. The certificate will allow students to earn ten graduate credit hours for completing the distance dietetic internship.

The proposed program is not expected to have significant effects on existing campus programs. Enrollment is projected at 80 full-time students once the program is fully implemented. Impact of the new program on University operations should be minimal, since the program is so closely based on the existing sequence. Like the sequence before it, students completing the required coursework within the Dietetic Internship sequence are eligible for an Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)-accredited dietetic internship.

The Academic Senate approved the proposal on December 2, 2020.

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**BOARD OF  
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**Resolution No. 2021.02/03  
Approval of  
Teach Chicago Tomorrow Initiative**

**Resolution**

Whereas, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of Illinois State University (the “University”) has the authority to enter into contracts and intergovernmental agreements, and

Whereas, the University plans to create an integrated teacher pipeline program (“Teach Chicago Tomorrow”) for students from the Chicago area by partnering with Chicago Public Schools and City Colleges of Chicago, and

Whereas, the initial term of the Teach Chicago Tomorrow program will be 5.5 years, and

Whereas, students in the pipeline will participate in bridge programming provided by Illinois State University each year to enhance the program and success rates. The bridge programming is initially covered by donations and in later years by revenue from tuition and fees or other funds as agreed upon mutually by all parties after the first year of the program; and

Whereas, students in the Teach Chicago Tomorrow Program will attend City Colleges of Chicago for two years and then if admitted, attend classes taught by Illinois State University at a City Colleges of Chicago location for the last two years. Rental of facilities by Illinois State to support teaching courses at the City Colleges of Chicago will be at an estimated cost not to exceed \$130,000 for a total of three years:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board authorizes the University to enter into a contract with the Chicago Public Schools and City Colleges of Chicago at a cost not to exceed \$330,000 for the initial term of the agreement, which includes \$130,000 in facilities cost and an additional \$200,000 for bridge programming if mutually agreed upon by all parties.

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Secretary/Chairperson

**Board of Trustees**  
**Illinois State University**  
**Approval of Teach Chicago Tomorrow Initiative**

The College of Education (COE) at Illinois State University (ISU) is seeking to create a cohesive, integrated teacher pipeline for students from the Chicago area, predominately from Chicago Public Schools (CPS). As the premier destination for teacher education in the Midwest, ISU will partner with CPS and City Colleges of Chicago (CCC) to provide access for more students to pursue careers in education through the Teach Chicago Tomorrow program (TCT). The goal of this partnership is to recruit and prepare a diverse student population to become effective urban educators who reduce the teacher shortage in Chicago.

Most students who participate in TCT will apply to the program in their junior or senior year of high school. CPS will offer college awareness, readiness activities, and career counseling through high school counselors, along with transition advising services to program participants. CPS and CCC will collaborate to offer early college credit and transitional coursework opportunities at CPS, as well as program recruitment activities.

If accepted, the student will receive programming and education in the summer leading up to entry into CCC, where they will spend two years completing their Associate's degree. CCC will advise students following the articulation guide and program plan provided by ISU and provide transition advising services to program participants.

The student will then follow ISU's standard application, admission, and enrollment processes to complete their Bachelor's degree and requirements for the Illinois Professional Educator License (PEL). ISU COE will deliver the full curriculum as designated in the catalog to meet graduation and licensure requirements. ISU coursework will be both online and face-to-face at CCC in Chicago, and students will benefit from a year-long student teaching model in CPS.

To facilitate success, a designated COE advisor will support students. ISU's National Center for Urban Education (NCUE), which has carefully constructed and refined a model of pre-service teacher preparation that provides future teachers with foundational and community-specific competencies needed to work in urban settings, will provide additional support and mentoring.

Over the past six years, NCUE has prepared 513 graduates who have passed licensure/certification assessments. These graduates participated in substantial NCUE programming, including STEP-UP (a 4-week teaching and community internship and summer residency program for pre-service teachers), community-integrated student teaching in partner districts, and in-service induction and mentoring. In 2019, ISU graduates who went through NCUE programming and took teaching positions in urban districts had a 1-year retention rate of 94 percent and a 3-year retention rate of 91 percent.

Specifically, NCUE as part of the COE, will lead an extensive four-phase summer bridge program, which offers students the opportunity to participate in different experiences as they transition from CPS to CCC and finally to ISU. This type of programming is research backed and has years of retention and success data. The phases are:

- First summer: Students transition from CPS to CCC (study skills, hands-on experience with community, and work with school summer programs)
- Second summer: Freshmen transition to their sophomore year at CCC (one-on-one mentoring with ISU alumni currently teaching in CPS, community work, and summer CPS school programs)
- Third summer: Sophomores transition to their junior year, CCC to ISU (preparation to transition from CCC to ISU, visit ISU campus for a week, and work with CPS community schools)
- Fourth summer: Juniors transition to their senior year (test and teaching requirements support, a four-week STEP-UP internship program, including 3-credit hour course, and preparation for EdTPA and content test for graduation)

The three institutions (CPS, CCC, and ISU) will make every effort to jointly fundraise to cover the cost of bridge programming. However, if fundraising efforts do not meet the need, each year all three parties will mutually agree on a budget and specific contributions from the institutions.

Institutions and community partners will support participants every step of the way. This program is essential to increase participants' retention and support student success.

Students will follow the standard tuition and fee structure for undergraduate students and be connected with all available sources of funding, including guidance to pursue state-funded scholarships and grants for teachers. The offering of the ISU face-to-face coursework in Chicago will be housed in CCC facilities. ISU and CCC agree that the cost of the facilities will not exceed \$130,000 for three years. This includes the use of (2) classrooms for students participating in the TCT program, as well as (1) office space for faculty and staff. Services such as janitorial, utility, security, and other student services are included in the fees. Classroom and office space for the TCT program will be utilized beginning Summer 2023.

Students will be mentored by CPS professionals who will support students through to licensure and during their first year of employment as an educator. To achieve the final step of job placement in CPS, program completers will be given priority interview and hiring opportunities within CPS.

These additional educational and programming opportunities will provide more transfer students access to the high-quality education provided by ISU. Not only will this extend the COE's ongoing partnership with CPS and strengthen our partnership with CCC, but it will also increase the number of students enrolled in teacher education at ISU, which helps meet the state's increasing need for more teachers in the field.

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**BOARD OF  
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**Resolution No. 2021.02/04**  
**Authorization for Sports Supply**  
**Renewal with Current Vendor BSN**

**Resolution**

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University (Board of Trustees) has the authority to enter into contracts for the provision of goods and services to the University, and

Whereas, the Illinois State University Athletics Department purchases footwear, equipment, apparel, and uniforms to outfit athletic teams for practice, travel, and competition within a primary vendor contract, and

Whereas, Illinois State University has previously completed the procurement process and determined that BSN offers the quality, service, and price competitiveness that best meets the University's needs:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees authorizes the University to enter into a two-year renewal of the existing, approved contract for goods and services with BSN for a total cost not to exceed \$1,100,000.

Board Action on: \_\_\_\_\_  
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ATTEST: Board Action, February 19, 2021

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Secretary/Chairperson

**Board of Trustees**  
**Illinois State University**  
**Authorization for Sports Supply Renewal with Current Vendor BSN**

Since 2006, ISU athletics teams have purchased footwear, equipment, apparel and uniforms from a primary vendor and manufacturer. A vendor contract provides a reduction in purchasing time, paperwork, and most importantly reduced costs by placing orders within specified deadlines to take advantage of wholesale pricing and date sensitive discounts. The look and feel of the athletic teams is consistent through the use of a primary supplier which continues to be Nike.

In anticipation of the upcoming renewal period with BSN, the Athletic Department has given consideration to the goods and services provided through BSN over the first two years of the contract. It was determined that the quality of goods and services provided through the BSN contract is consistent with department needs. As a result, to begin July 1, 2021, the Athletic Department desires to move forward with the available two-year renewal of the current contract.

This resolution item seeks authorization to renew the current BSN approved contract for two years at a cost not to exceed \$1,100,000 during the contract period. Following the term to begin in July 1, 2021, there will be five years remaining on the contract.

Source of Funds: Athletics Department Operating Revenues

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**BOARD OF  
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**Resolution No. 2021.02/05**  
**Renewal of Student Health Insurance**

**Resolution**

Whereas, the University's Student Health and Accident Plan will expire August 15, 2021, and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees approved the current agreement with Aetna Student Health for the 2012-13 policy year at its February 17, 2012 meeting which included a provision for up to nine renewal periods upon mutual agreement between Illinois State University and Aetna Student Health, and

Whereas, this is the ninth renewal between Illinois State University and Aetna Student Health:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University award to Aetna Student Health the renewed agreement for the 2021-2022 policy year.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the student health insurance rate of \$281 for the fall 2021 and spring 2022 sessions and \$211 for the summer 2022 session.

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**Board of Trustees  
Illinois State University  
Renewal of Student Health Insurance**

Each year Aetna Student Health (ASH), the SHIP insurance carrier, develops a renewal percentage that represents estimated plan costs for the next year. The percentage is calculated using a mathematical formula that estimates medical trends, pooling charges (method by which each member of an insurance pool shares in each and every risk written by the other members of the pool), adjustments in the pooling charge for high dollar claims, impact of plan changes, and any rate increases experienced by the plan. The formula incorporates a blend of the SHIP’s most recent two years of claims and premium data, which has been used for more than fifteen years on ISU renewals.

Representatives from the Student Insurance Office and Student Health Services, with the assistance of an insurance plan consultant with Schlomann & Associates LLC, negotiate annually with ASH to obtain the best plan at the lowest rate for Illinois State University students. The final published rate to ISU students results from the ASH Rate along with funds used from the Premium Stabilization Reserve (PSR).

Based on claims experience, and the uncertainty of those claims due to COVID-19, ASH initially proposed a 7.9% premium increase for the 2021-22 plan year. However, subsequent negotiations reduced the increase to 0%. We recommend that the ASH premiums continue to be subsidized by the PSR at \$16 per student/per semester (\$10 per student summer) for the 2021-22 plan year, the same as the current 2020-21 plan year. *Therefore, for the 2021-22 plan year a 0% rate percent published increase to students enrolling in the Student Health Insurance Plan is recommended.* This cost is significantly less than all other State of Illinois schools with similar benefits. The proposed 21/22 semester rate of \$281 is increase of 13% over the 15/16 plan year rate of \$249 per semester, or a compounded rate of 1.75% per year during the ensuing seven years.

The proposed Aetna rates and use of the Premium Stabilization Reserve are as follows:

Premium Comparison: Current and Proposed

	2021-2022 proposed	2020-2021
Semester Premium	\$283	\$283
On Call Premium	4	4
Administrative charge	10	10
Subsidy from PSR	-16	-16
Fee assessed to student	\$281	\$281
	2021-2022 proposed	2020-2021
Summer Premium	\$214	\$214
On Call Premium	2	2
Administrative charge	5	5
Subsidy to/from PSR	-10	-10
Fee assessed to student	\$211	\$211

Consortium Insurance Plans 2020-21 Plan Year

	NIU	SIU	EIU	WIU	ISU	U of I Undergraduates	U of I Graduates
<b>Carrier</b>	Aetna Student Health	United Healthcare	Self-Insured	AcademicBlue (Blue Cross Blue Shield)	Aetna Student Health	United Healthcare	United Healthcare
<b>Semester fee</b>	\$1,114 fall; \$1,114 spring/summer combined; \$373 summer only	\$982 fall; \$982 spring/summer combined; \$370 summer only	\$110 fall; \$110 spring; \$88 summer	\$795 fall; \$795 spring/summer combined; \$265 summer only	\$281 fall; \$281 spring; \$211 summer	\$723 fall; \$723 spring; \$723 summer	\$927 fall; \$927 spring; \$927 summer
<b>Deductible</b>	\$500 annual in network; \$1,000 out of network (& additional \$300 each ER)	\$400 in-network; \$700 out of network	\$100 per condition	\$500 in network; \$1,000 out of network	\$50 annual; waived if other insurance	\$250 annual	\$150 annual
<b>Stop Loss (student maximum out of pocket per policy year)</b>	\$7,150 in-network; \$30,000 out of network	\$7900 in-network; \$16,000 out of network	None	\$7,200 in-network; \$20,000 out of network	\$1,250	\$6,850	\$1,800
<b>Plan Maximum</b>	Unlimited	Unlimited	\$15,000 annual	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

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**BOARD OF  
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**Resolution No. 2021.02/06  
Authorization to Issue  
Certificates of Participation Series 2021**

**Resolution**

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the University (the “Board”) has the authority to issue Certificates of Participation, and

Whereas, the Board issued the Certificates of Participation (Capital Improvement Project), Series 2011 (the “2011 Certificates”) in the aggregate principal amount of \$15,000,000, of which \$8,405,000 is currently outstanding, for the purpose of financing energy conservation improvements to Milner Library, the Science Laboratory Building, and the Central Heating plant, interior office and student services space renovations to Hovey Hall and other improvements to certain academic facilities, primarily for exterior doors (collectively, the “Improvements”), and

Whereas, the Board desires to obtain funds for the purpose of refinancing the Improvements by refunding the 2011 Certificates, and

Whereas, current interest rates provide the Board an opportunity to realize substantial savings by issuing Certificates of Participation (Capital Improvement Project), Series 2021 (the “2021 Certificates”) to refund the currently outstanding 2011 Certificates. Estimated interest rate savings are expected to exceed \$1 million or greater over the life of the new debt:

Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University in regular meeting assembled, that

1. It is hereby determined to be desirable that the Board authorizes the execution and delivery of an Acquisition Agreement, an Installment Purchase Contract and an Indenture of Trust, and the issuance of the 2021 Certificates in connection therewith, in order to provide funds to refinance the Improvements by refunding the currently outstanding 2011 Certificates and to pay the costs of issuance of the 2021 Certificates.
2. The Board approves the sale of the 2021 Certificates via a private placement with one or more banks. The 2021 Certificates are subject to the following conditions (a) the 2021 Certificates shall not exceed an aggregate principal amount of \$8,600,000; (b) the 2021 Certificates will have a final maturity of no later than 11.5 years from their date of issuance; (c) the price at which the 2021 Certificates will be sold will not be less than 97% of the par amount thereof; and (d) the 2021 Certificates shall have a true interest cost of borrowing not to exceed 2.75%. The final terms of the 2021 Certificates shall be approved at the discretion of the Treasurer of the Board and within such parameters.

3. U.S. Bank National Association or The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. is hereby authorized to serve as Trustee for the 2021 Certificates.

4. Pursuant to the Board's existing contract, the law firm of Chapman and Cutler LLP is hereby retained as Special Counsel to the Board.

5. Pursuant to the Board's existing contract, the firm of Blue Rose Capital Advisers, LLC is hereby retained as Municipal Advisor.

6. The Treasurer of the Board or designee is hereby authorized to enter a Certificate Purchase Agreement (or Certificate Purchase Agreements) with one or more purchasers for the sale of the 2021 Certificates.

7. The Board approves the forms of the Installment Purchase Contract, Indenture of Trust, Acquisition Agreement and Certificate Purchase Agreement. Copies of such documents are on file with the Secretary of the Board for recording. The Treasurer and Secretary of the Board or their respective designees are hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents in the name of and on behalf of the Board in substantially the forms presented to this meeting, or with such changes as may be approved by the officer or officers of the Board executing the same, their execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of the Board's approval of all changes from the forms thereof presented to this meeting.

8. If required by the successful bidder(s) for the 2021 Certificates, the Board agrees to comply with the terms and provisions of bond insurance for the 2021 Certificates, if such terms are approved by the Treasurer of the Board.

9. The Chairperson, the Secretary and the Treasurer of the Board and the members, officers, agents and employees of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to do all such acts and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of this resolution and with the actions of the members, officers, agents, and employees of the Board which are in conformity with the intent and purposes of this resolution, whether heretofore or hereafter taken or done, which actions shall be and are ratified, confirmed and approved.

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**Board of Trustees**  
**Illinois State University**  
**Authorization to Issue Certificates of Participation Series 2021**

In addition to the authority provided to the Board of Trustees by the State of Illinois to issue revenue bonds for the construction and operation of auxiliary facilities, the Illinois State University Law, 110 ILCS 675/20-1 *et seq.*, provides the Board with the authority to issue debt in the form of Certificates of Participation to finance or refinance other capital improvements. These Certificates of Participation evidence payments under an installment purchase agreement. The installment payments made under an installment purchase agreement are payable both from State appropriated funds and from budgeted legally available funds of the Board derived from sources other than State appropriations on an annual basis.

The Certificates of Participation (Capital Improvement Project), Series 2021 (the “2021 Certificates”) will be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$8,600,000 to refinance the Certificates of Participation (Capital Improvement Project), Series 2011 and to pay the costs of issuance of the 2021 Certificates.

Issuance of the 2021 Certificates will decrease annual debt service payments as a result of the lower interest rates currently available in the market. The estimated debt service savings assuming the maximum interest rate permitted of 2.75%, after accounting for debt issuance costs, is expected to exceed \$1 million over the life of the new debt. Initial pricing estimates provided by prospective lenders places the expected final interest rate more favorable between 1.25% to 2.00% thus resulting in higher interest cost savings.

Funding Source: General Revenue Funds

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**BOARD OF  
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**Resolution No. 2021.02/07  
Contract for Milner Library  
Journal Subscriptions**

**Resolution**

Whereas, the major periodical provider for Illinois State University's Milner Library is EBSCO Industries, and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University authorized Milner Library to spend up to \$2,400,000 for journal subscriptions with EBSCO Industries for the previous fiscal years, and

Whereas, publisher prices have not increased nor are additional journal subscriptions or databases needed:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees authorizes spending of up to \$2,400,000 for renewal of journal subscriptions and purchase of direct databases with EBSCO Industries for FY2022 for Milner Library.

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**Board of Trustees  
Illinois State University  
Contract for Milner Library Journal Subscriptions**

EBSCO Industries is the primary periodicals and electronic databases vendor for Milner Library. EBSCO provides volume discounts to the desired database and subscription services. Milner Library utilizes an exemption per Section 1-13(b) Exemptions (PA97-643) of the Procurement Code. Illinois State University Board of Trustees previously authorized Milner Library to spend up to \$2.4 million for journal subscriptions annually the past four fiscal years. The renewal for FY2022 is estimated at \$2.4 million.

The administration of Milner Library seeks Board of Trustees support for the journal subscriptions renewal with EBSCO Industries for \$2.4 million for FY2022 and future fiscal years with expenditures not to increase by more than 10% annually for additional services. This request for spending authority is for FY2022 with the option for three annual renewals. This will assure availability of the journals necessary to support quality programs and research at Illinois State University.

Source of Funding: General Revenue