UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE

COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY STUDENT LIFE (Final; Information)

SL.25.03 2024-2025 Annual Report of the Senate Committee on University Student Life

This report summarizes the activities of the Senate Committee on University Student Life (SL) during the 2024-2025 academic year. SL held three meetings during the fall 2024 semester (September 6, October 4, November 1) and three meetings during the spring 2025 semester (January 31, March 28, May 2). More detailed information is provided in the minutes of those meetings.

SL received relevant updates from *ex officio* members including representatives from Illinois Student Council, Office of Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Office of the Dean of Students, Council of Undergraduate Deans, Office of the Provost, Graduate College, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, and International Student & Scholar Services.

I. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

SL.25.01, Okanagan Charter

Alana Harris, Associate Director Assessment, Student Wellness, and Adventure Recreation, shared that the Okanagan Charter is an aspirational framework to encourage comprehensive and campus-wide, settings and whole system approaches to create cultures of compassion, well-being and equity.

The Charter has two calls to action: embed health into all aspects of campus culture, across the administration, operations, and academic mandates, and lead health promotion action and collaboration locally and globally.

SL.25.02, 2023-2024 Student Success @ Illinois Annual Report

Melissa Kisubika, Project Manager for Student Success Initiative, shared updates on Student Success @ Illinois. The updates included some of the highlights from 2023-3034 which include updating the name (formerly Student Initiative); enhanced and expanded website with new email success4all@illinois.edu; added a faculty member and representative from Technology services to the steering committees; 3rd Annual Student Success Symposium had 250+ campus community partners, and lead health promotion action and collaboration locally and globally.

II. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE

SL.22.03, Proposed Revision to the Policy Guidelines for Developing Academic Calendars to Replace the Current Fall Break week with Two Shorter Fall Breaks

SL's draft resolution has been put on hold as SL awaits more information and data or research supporting the need for a fall break.

Former committee member, Carol Wilson-Smith, has worked with a small group of undergraduate Social Work students and completed a report. Wilson-Smith intends to present the research findings SL in the future.

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