

John A. Logan College

Board of Trustees Policy Manual

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Illinois Board of Higher Education

Statement of Purpose

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The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) is responsible for planning and coordinating the state's system of higher education.

The Board's statutory responsibilities include:

- Master Planning - Analyze the aims, needs, and requirements of Illinois higher education. Modify policies that guide the state's system of public and private colleges and universities.
- Budget - Recommend to the Governor and the General Assembly budgetary needs for higher education institutions and agencies.
- Program Approval - Approve or deny proposals by public university governing boards and the Illinois Community College Board for new units of instruction, research, or public service. Review existing instruction, research, or public service programs to determine their continued educational and economic justification.
- Institution Approval - Authorize independent and out-of-state institutions to operate and offer degree programs in Illinois. Conduct on-going reviews to assure that these institutions maintain the conditions under which they were authorized to operate and grant degrees, and revoke operating authority as determined necessary.
- Grants Administration - Administer state and federal grant programs.
- Information Systems - Maintain information system about Illinois higher education.

The Illinois Board of Higher Education consists of 16 members as follows: 10 public members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, one of which must be a faculty member at an Illinois public university; one member of a public university governing board appointed by the Governor; one member of a private college or university board of trustees appointed by the Governor; the chairman of the Illinois Community College Board; the chairman of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission; and two student members selected by the Student Advisory Committee of the Board of Higher Education, one must be a non-traditional undergraduate student who is at least 24 years old. The Governor shall designate the Chairman of the Board to serve until a successor is designated.

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Illinois Community College Board
Statement of Purpose

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The Illinois Community College Board, as the state coordinating board for community colleges, administers the Public Community College Act in a manner that maximizes the ability of the community colleges to serve their communities. Its mission is to promote cooperation within the system and accommodate those State of Illinois initiatives that are appropriate for community colleges; to be accountable to the students, employers, lawmakers, and taxpayers of Illinois; and to provide high-quality, accessible, cost-effective educational opportunities for the individuals and communities they serve.

The Illinois Community College Board consists of eleven members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate for six-year terms. One of those members must be at least a person age 60 or over; one must be a faculty member at an Illinois public community college; one must be a member of the board of trustees of a public community college district; one must be the president of a public community college, the chancellor of City Colleges of Chicago, or the chief executive officer of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges. One non-voting student member is selected by the ICCB Student Advisory Committee for a one-year term. The Board Chair is selected by the Governor.

Four organizations representing various community college constituents in the state have been designated as official advisory groups to the Illinois Community College Board: the Illinois Council of Community College Presidents, the Illinois Community College Trustees Association, the Illinois Community College Faculty Association, and the ICCB Student Advisory Committee.

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