

**MEMO**

**TO:** Provost Nancy Barrett

**FROM:** Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Affairs

**RE:** Merger of SLIS with College of Communication

**CC:** Dr. Ronald Rogers, Graduate School

The Faculty Senate Committee for Academic Affairs thanks you for providing the necessary additional documentation relevant to the proposed merger of SLIS with the College of Communication. We continue to be concerned about the implementation of the specific steps outlined in the "Principles and Procedure for Merger or Discontinuance of Academic Units" document.

In the event of future mergers, we hope that greater attention is given to steps such as: the solicitation and documentation of faculty responses; providing more explicit and specific rationale for merging; and documenting the consequences upon other units.

In this particular merger, we remain concerned about the fate of the McClure Library and the involvement of the Education faculty in its disposition.

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