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New i-cards Available May 14

Urbana, Illinois, May 7, 2007—University of Illinois i-card Programs announced today that new i-card designs will be produced at campus ID Centers beginning Monday, May 14, 2007. The updated i-cards better serve the needs of cardholders and card service providers, and they share a modern, unified design that uniquely identifies the campus of issue.

Chicago campus i-card



Springfield campus i-card



Urbana-Champaign campus i-card



“The new card design marks a milestone in i-card’s development,” said Marya Ryan, Director of i-card Programs. “The i-card is a single ‘key’ to numerous services and conveniences for members of the University and campus communities.”

The new designs represent months of collaboration and planning between i-card Programs and campus leaders and card service providers. Changes to the i-card design include:

- Campus colors, logos, and photos customized for each campus's i-card.
- The phone number and email address for the appropriate campus ID Center printed on the back.
- Cardholder information in larger and easy-to-read type.
- Logos of the student bank account provider, TCF Bank, added to the back of Urbana and Chicago *student* i-cards. (These new student i-cards may be linked to a TCF account for use as an ATM or debit card; TCF Bank checking accounts are optional for students at Urbana and Chicago.)
- The library bar code moved to the back of the card.
- A larger, official i-card logo that clearly identifies these University-issued IDs.



Only i-cards have the official i-card logo on the card front, and they are typically issued to students, faculty, staff, and other eligible persons. Visitor cards, special user cards, conference cards, departmental name badges, and other University of Illinois IDs are not changing.

New cards will first be issued Monday, May 14, 2007. Starting in Fall 2007, students, faculty, staff, and other i-card holders will be encouraged to exchange their current i-cards for new ones. Phased recarding efforts will be individualized by each campus. While each campus adopts the new i-card design, current i-cards will still be in circulation and will continue to be accepted as valid for University services. (Only new Urbana and Chicago student i-cards may function as ATM and debit cards with TCF Bank checking accounts.)

The i-card is the official University of Illinois identification card, providing access to facilities and services to students, faculty, staff, and other eligible individuals. Possession of an i-card is not proof of current status.

The i-card Programs Office coordinates card programs and services on all three University of Illinois campuses and supports identity verification and card production at the campus ID Centers and Campus Recreation visitor card stations. i-card Programs also serves the University community by providing applications, services, badges, and data to qualifying University units.

For more information about the newly designed i-card or i-card Programs, call (217) 265-6464 or visit the i-card Programs website at www.icard.uillinois.edu.

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