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Memo From the President

May 21, 1982

UPTOWN CENTER TO CLOSE JULY 1

Effective July 1, 1982, Northeastern Illinois University will transfer all classroom instruction and community service work-study activities offered at the Uptown Center, 4802 N. Broadway, to the university's main campus. The center, operated by the university's Office of Community Services, is being closed because of declining enrollments. Those students enrolled at the center will now be served on the university's main campus. The Office of Community Services will coordinate all community work-study activities from the main campus.

No decision has yet been made on the relocation of the university's Tenants' Rights Clinic, a paralegal educational program coordinated at the center by the Department of Criminal Justice. The university remains committed, however, to continue support for a paralegal component within the Department of Criminal Justice.

By closing the Uptown Center, the university will save more than \$30,000 in rental and instructional costs. This savings will enable the university to increase the number of students enrolled through the Office of Special Programs. No university employees will be released because of the closing of the Uptown Center.

Northeastern opened the Uptown Center in 1970 as a satellite facility where community-oriented academic programs could be offered. Community services offered at the Uptown Center included General Educational Development (G.E.D.) test preparation, social service referrals, and tutoring services for elementary and secondary students. Northeastern's Department of Human Services was affiliated with the center until 1975 when the department transferred all of its programs to the main campus. In 1979, the Department of Criminal Justice established a Tenants' Rights Clinic at the center as a supplement to its curriculum.

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