Our Mission

The Center for State Policy and Leadership, located in the Illinois state capital, emphasizes policy and state governance. The Center identifies and addresses public policy issues at all levels of government, promotes governmental effectiveness, fosters leadership development, engages in citizen education, and contributes to the dialogue on matters of significant public concern. Working in partnership with government, local communities, citizens, and the nonprofit sector, the Center contributes to the core missions of the University of Illinois Springfield by mobilizing the expertise of its faculty, staff, students, and media units to carry out research and dissemination, professional development and training, civic engagement, technical assistance, and public service activities.

Our Vision

The UIS Center for State Policy and Leadership will be an independent and nationally recognized resource for scholars and Illinois policy-makers, opinion leaders, and citizens. The Center will be known for its high-quality, nonpartisan public policy research, innovative leadership and training programs, and timely and thought-provoking educational forums, publications, media productions and public radio broadcasts.

CSPL Advisory Board

The Advisory Board for the Center for State Policy and Leadership advises and makes recommendations to the Executive Director, Associate Director and Unit Directors about strategies to partner and collaborate with government agencies, non-profit organizations, foundations and other educational institutions. In addition, it also recommends strategies to develop and increase funds from private groups and individuals.

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Message from the Executive Director

Considering budget constraints that higher education has faced, along with the global economic crisis we all have experienced, I am proud that fiscal year 2009 was still very productive for the Center for State Policy and Leadership. This was evidenced by increasing non-appropriated income in our budget while continuing to address the Center’s agenda of public policy research, media, training and public service programs. Also, the core themes of improving state government, fostering civic engagement and developing leaders in state government have been integral parts of the Center’s programming and activities. The depth and breadth of work in the Center were exhibited in news coverage by Illinois Issues and WUIS regarding the indictment and impeachment of Gov. Rod Blagojevich, and a follow-up 2009 survey by the Survey Research Office measuring the levels and types of civic engagement among Illinois residents.

The Center also brought to life the history of Abraham Lincoln and Illinois politics overall for our students, alumni, community and faculty. Just before the 2008 presidential election, the sixth annual presentation of our signature Lincoln Legacy Lecture Series focused on “Lincoln and Presidential Campaign Politics.” And in celebration of the 16th president’s 200 birthday in 2009, staff members of the Papers of Abraham Lincoln participated in numerous presentations and were featured in local, regional and national radio and public television programs, documentaries and newspaper articles.

With the continued growth of the Certified Public Manager Program of Illinois (CPMPI), leadership education and training contributed to the Center’s reputation. This past year, CPMPI graduated its first class, while also providing customized training for agencies and non-profit organizations. The Illinois Legislative Staff Internship Program and the Office of Graduate Intern Programs also made significant contributions in experiential learning and leadership. Twenty interns participated in the Illinois Legislative Staff Internship Program, and five were hired at the completion of their internships, while the Office of Graduate Interns placed 156 graduate students in internships at participating agencies.

As usual, the Center also made contributions in policy research and program evaluation. For example, the Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies conducted an evaluation of the Illinois State Library’s leadership training program and also assisted the city of Springfield in preparing a report that addressed the disparity in academic achievement between white and African-American students. The Survey Research Office was contracted by the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University Carbondale to conduct a study of the attitudes of Illinois residents on topics relating to state taxation and spending.

An additional strength of the Center is our increasing contribution to local community institutions by providing training programs. Examples include the Office of Electronic Media’s live webcasts of the quarterly meetings of the Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission, and a joint effort by the Office of Electronic Media and the Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies (ILLAPS) that produced a DVD training session for probation officers for the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts. Often, professional training services provided to community agencies are offered annually, such as our training through the Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse that prepares counselors for the counselor certification program.

An indication of the quality of any organization is the number of professional awards its staff receives. As you review this report, you will note awards received by staff of the monthly magazine Illinois Issues, radio station WUIS and the Papers of Abraham Lincoln.

The Center for State Policy and Leadership continues to grow and address important public policy issues and promote good government. Our uniqueness rests in our organizational diversity of eight units, which provides us with the opportunity to investigate issues using the different perspectives of the various units, and to customize our services so we can more easily serve the needs of government agencies and nonprofit institutions. Because of this structure, you will see that there is much potential in the Center, and that some of that potential has already been realized. I was impressed with the Center when I first became Executive Director, and I continue to be impressed. Thank you to the unit directors, staff and faculty for making this organization what it is today.

Sincerely,

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Office of the Executive Director

The Office of the Executive Director is the administrative coordinating unit of the Center. The Office provides leadership for multidisciplinary research and public service initiatives; fosters collaboration with local, state and national organizations; sponsors the Center’s annual Lincoln Legacy Lecture Series and a variety of public policy forums and guest speakers; and oversees the financial development and management of the Center.

Annual Lincoln Legacy Lecture Series

The Center presented the sixth annual Lincoln Legacy Lectures on October 15, 2008, with the theme “Lincoln and Presidential Campaign Politics.” On the eve of the 2008 presidential election, two scholars offered their insights into the forces at play in the 1860 and 1864 presidential campaigns and how Abraham Lincoln succeeded.

Dr. Jennifer L. Weber, assistant professor of history at the University of Kansas-Lawrence, discussed “How Lincoln Handled the Antiwar Movement.” Dr. Silvana R. Siddali, associate professor of history at St. Louis University, presented a lecture on “Lincoln and the Constitution in Civil War Presidential Campaigns.” Dr. Thomas F. Schwartz, Illinois state historian and chief historian for the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, served as moderator.

About 185 students, faculty, staff and community members attended this year’s lectures, held in Brookens Auditorium and webcast live. The speakers signed their recent books during the reception following the lectures.

This year’s event was sponsored by the Center for State Policy and Leadership and cosponsored by Bill and Nancy Simpson, the UIS Speakers’ Awards Committee, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Public Affairs and Administration, and the Office of Undergraduate Education.

To view the video of this event, go to the Video-on-Demand page of the Center’s website: http://cspl.uis.edu/AboutTheCenter/VideoOnDemand.htm
The Illinois Civic Engagement Project

In FY 2009, active planning commenced and telephone interviewing began for the follow-up Illinois Civic Engagement Survey. (By the end of July, field interviewing was completed — and, by the end of 2009, the results will have been released.)

The initial Illinois Civic Engagement Survey, a benchmark, was conducted by the Center in fiscal year 2001, just after the 2000 national election and before the vast increase in Internet use and activity (particularly before the tapping of its political potential). This made this year an ideal time for a follow-up survey, particularly given the 2008 election of U.S. Sen. Barack Obama as president and his campaign’s extensive use of the Internet as a vehicle for campaign recruitment.

In the 2001 survey, we discovered eight dimensions of engagement and a seven-fold typology of “civic engagers.” In the 2009 survey, we will be testing how these might have changed — both in their nature as well as in their respective sizes.

UIS Contributions to the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Q5 Initiative

Center personnel are involved in two projects that are part of the UIS contribution toward the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Q5 Initiative. Results of both projects are published periodically in the Chamber Update, a publication of the Greater Springfield Chamber.

The Sangamon County Business Economic Outlook Survey

One of these projects is the biannual Sangamon County Business Economic Outlook Survey. The initial survey was conducted in March 2008, and additional surveys were conducted during this fiscal year in both September 2008 and March 2009. The survey assesses the expectations of a sample of local businesses regarding various aspects of the local economy as well as expectations regarding their own firm over the next 12 months.

Generally, over the course of the first three surveys, decreasing expectations were found for the local economy and, to a much lesser extent, for their own firm. As a silver-lining to these results, March 2009 respondents did evaluate the local economy as well as the local performance of their own economic sector much more positively than they did for the nation as a whole. And, expectations regarding the health/medical sector continue to be positive.

Springfield Enterprise Index (SEI)

The other project is the Springfield Enterprise Index (SEI), published by Patty Byrnes, Research Associate in ILLAPS, on a quarterly basis. The SEI, a leading indicator of the local area economy, helps predict the trend in the local economy and where the economy is on the business cycle. The SEI is interpreted by first remembering that over time the Springfield area economy has grown, despite ups and downs of the level of economic activity. The SEI measures how far away the local economy is from this growth trend. A value of 100 implies that the Springfield area economy is on its long-term growth trend. An SEI value greater than 100 indicates “above average” and values below 100 indicate “below average” growth. The SEI can be used by businesses, workers and government to understand future profits, job prospects and tax revenues.

The index was developed and created by the Regional Economic Applications Laboratory, Institute of Government and Public Affairs, University of Illinois. Professor Byrnes works with the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce to interpret the index for the local economy.

Special Events


Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies

The Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies draws upon the knowledge resources of the university to help improve public sector performance. This objective is pursued through a variety of activities and projects that fall into three general categories: developing usable knowledge through applied research and evaluation; transferring knowledge to public officials and private citizens through training and dissemination; and applying knowledge to resolve specific public problems.

RESEARCH & EVALUATION

Connecting Former Inmates with Mental Health Services

Inmates with mental illness often have difficulty connecting with appropriate services after their release. A few years ago, the Division of Mental Health in the Illinois Department of Human Services received funding from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) to launch the Jail Data Link pilot project to help resolve the problem. The division collaborated with jails and community mental health agencies in Jefferson, Peoria and Will counties to provide targeted case management services to about 65 individuals monthly. Taking advantage of an innovative online database, mental health agency staff provided enhanced services while clients were jailed and greatly expanded discharge planning to reconnect them with mental health services once released from jail.

ILLAPS received funding from ICJIA in 2008 to evaluate Jail Data Link. Extensive qualitative and quantitative data were examined as part of the study. While the study was not definitive, it found that Jail Data Link has the potential to become an effective way to promote continuity of care after jail exit. The program’s effects on recidivism by mentally ill former inmates were unclear.

Collaboration by Head Start Agencies

Head Start, the early childhood development program for low-income families, is expected under federal law to coordinate its efforts with a wide variety of other local organizations and service providers. The Office of Head Start Collaboration in the Illinois Department of Human Services conducted a survey in early 2009 concerning the depth and challenges of the relationships of local Head Start agencies. Similar surveys are conducted by all states, and the data are reported to the federal government. The Illinois survey was completed by 134 staff representing agencies throughout the state. ILLAPS was asked by the Office of Head Start Collaboration and the Illinois Head Start Association to analyze the results of the survey. The analysis found that Head Start agencies have extensive relationships with a wide assortment of community groups, although these relationships tend to be more informal than formal. Most survey respondents indicated that the tasks involved in relating to other organizations do not pose significant challenges, but there are important exceptions, such as obtaining access to dental care for children. The study also examined differences in results across geographic regions of the state.

Networking Development Disability Service Providers

ILLAPS has received funding from the Autism Program of Illinois, a unit of the Hope Institute for Children and Families, to assist with development and evaluation of a Chicago area network of 10 developmental disability providers. The purpose of the network is to share information, resources and issues so that agencies can initiate new collaborative projects and provide services that could not be accomplished individually. Foundation funding is permitting a series of collaborative pilot projects involving different members of the network to be implemented in the next year. ILLAPS will help with evaluation of the projects and conduct a broader assessment of the overall network success.

Training Library Leaders

Since 2002, the Illinois State Library has offered an annual leadership training program, called Synergy, for librarians in the state. Interested librarians apply, and 30 are selected each year to participate in the program, which involves intensive three-day sessions in the spring, summer and fall. Since Synergy had not been previously evaluated, the State Library asked ILLAPS, in cooperation with the Survey Research Office, to assess the program’s effects on the participants. Using a survey of all graduates of the program and in-depth interviews with a small random sample of them, the assessment found that Synergy helped the participants become more aware of their leadership abilities and capacity to effect change.
The Achievement Gap for African-American Students

ILLAPS provided assistance to the city of Springfield in preparing a report that addressed the disparity in academic achievement between white and African-American students. Building on a city-initiated project, ILLAPS assisted with data analysis, graphics and final report production. Eight topic areas were analyzed, and data were compared by race, gender and school. The report found a significant disparity in achievement across racial groups in the Springfield public schools.

Community Services Block Grant

ILLAPS prepared the 2007 annual report on Illinois’ use of its Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) allocation from the federal government. CSBG provides funds to states and localities for programs aimed at reducing poverty and improving the lives of low-income individuals and families. The annual report, which was prepared under contract with the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies, describes services and programs that were provided in 2007, as well as information on the number of people served and accomplishments.

TRAINING AND DISSEMINATION

Illinois Legislative Staff Internships

For more than 35 years, the Institute has overseen the Illinois Legislative Staff Internship Program (including the Zeke Giorgi Internships). Funded by the Illinois General Assembly through its Legislative Research Unit (LRU), the program provides motivated and talented recent college graduates with a 10½-month paid internship in the legislature, working on the partisan staffs or in the LRU itself. In 2008-2009, 20 interns participated, of whom 5 were hired onto the regular staff at the conclusion of their internships. One supervisor commented that he would have liked to keep the other three interns, but there were inadequate funds available. Three of the interns were contractually extended for two months by the partisan staff. Three interns are continuing their studies at UIS (2) and UIUC (1), respectively. Over the years, many key officials and civic leaders in Illinois and elsewhere have received their political starts as interns in the program.

Law Enforcement Liaison for Traffic Safety

ILLAPS assists the Division of Transportation in the Illinois Department of Transportation in the operation of the Law Enforcement Liaison (LEL) program. Through LEL, staff — mostly former law enforcement officers — serve as grant managers and monitor federal funds that IDOT passes through to local law
enforcement agencies to enhance traffic safety and reduce injuries and fatalities that result from traffic crashes. LEL staff maintain an active presence with local law enforcement agencies statewide and encourage enforcement of laws related to impaired driving, speed and occupant protection. During FY09, staff managed 227 year-long highway safety projects, participated in conducting 254 safety belt surveys and managed 169 mini-grants that focused on specific traffic safety campaigns.

**Controlling Drunk Driving**

Impaired driving and its consequences pose a difficult challenge and require the attention of professionals from a variety of public offices. In partnership with the Division of Traffic Safety in the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Institute provides both core and advanced training in the latest information and techniques for mitigating the risks of drunken driving to all members of the criminal justice system—judges, state and local prosecutors, probation officers, state police, Secretary of State hearing officers and social service providers. In addition to enhancing the core training that is available, special attention this past year was paid to training and assistance focused on dealing with “hard-core drunk drivers,” the group that poses the greatest risk to health and safety on the roads. A new effort was also begun to educate court personnel about the Breath Alcohol Ignition Interlock Device law enacted in 2008. In all, DUI training was provided to nearly 1,000 court and related officials throughout the state.

Another component of the Institute's efforts to combat drunken driving is its continuing partnership with the Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (DASA) in the Illinois Department of Human Services to train service providers throughout the state responsible for evaluating the risk posed by each DUI offender. Risk must be evaluated as part of the adjudication of every offender, and evaluators have to be trained within six months of starting employment. This past year, core evaluator training was provided to 223 people and advanced risk education training to an additional 51 individuals.

**Training Counselors for Problem and Compulsive Gamblers**

The Institute also enjoys a longstanding partnership with DASA to provide training to help counselors of problem and compulsive gamblers pass the counselor certification examination sponsored by the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association. This past year, in addition to the regular program, counselors took advantage of a new opportunity to participate in advanced training on the use of cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) in the treatment of problem and compulsive gamblers. CBT is an evidence-based technique that has been shown to be effective in enabling behavior change in a variety of areas.

**Improving Crash Reporting through Technology**

The Mobile Capture Reporting (MCR) Project seeks to improve the quality, accuracy and timeliness of vehicular crash reporting by Illinois law enforcement agencies to the Illinois Department of Transportation. The project, which provides software to police agencies at no cost, aims at enhancing crash site safety by reducing the time required on scene at a crash site and personnel costs associated with the input of crash data into the department’s database. Institute staff have developed training curricula and materials and have traveled throughout the state to market the paper-saving technology. During FY09, MCR staff trained nearly 1,044 law enforcement personnel and increased the MCR database by 2,892 individuals.

**Training Illinois’ Probation Officers**

During the past 12 months, the Institute coordinated the training of 199 probation and detention officials in the latest evidence-based methods of managing adult and juvenile offenders. This continued the Institute's longstanding partnership with the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts (AOIC) to train and assure the competence of the state's probation and detention officers. The training focuses on the role of probation and detention officers as agents of change, rather than just control. It emphasizes knowledge and techniques that officers can use to help offenders take steps toward positive change.

**Strengthening the Public Management Workforce**

The Certified Public Manager® Program of Illinois (CPMPI) is a nationally accredited 300-hour comprehensive statewide management professional development program designed specifically for public sector managers and operated by the Institute. The program provides practical, skill-based instruction designed to equip participants with knowledge they can readily apply in their jobs. Eight competency areas are covered: leadership, supervision,
cultural competency, program and project management, organizational management, human resources, partnerships and public policy. Started in the spring of 2007, the program took on its second cohort of participants last fall.

This past year, CPMPI graduated its first class. Shortly after graduation, the group decided to begin working on establishment of the Illinois Society of Certified Public Managers, an approach that has been taken in other states with CPM programs.

CPMPI also provides customized training for individual organizations and networks. Customized training draws on the same or similar content areas as in the standard CPM curriculum to help organizations meet the specific professional development needs of their managers and staff. In FY09, the Institute completed customized training programs for: managers affiliated with the Illinois Association of Community Action Agencies; the Illinois Head Start Association; the Illinois Early Childhood Network; and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (IDHFS). CPM is working with IDHFS’s Bureau of Budget and Cash Management to provide a six-part training series in FY10.

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

**Defending the Innocent**

The Downstate Illinois Innocence Project continued its work on behalf of Jeanette, Michael Sr. and Michael Slover Jr. from Decatur, who were convicted in 2002 on slim circumstantial evidence of the murder of Michael Jr.’s ex-wife, Karyn Slover. The Project also began work on behalf of Thomas McMillen in a Sangamon County case for the killing of Melissa Koontz of Waverly. Students working on the case assisted the Project’s director of investigations, William Clutter, in obtaining a recantation of a confession by a witness and reviewing all of the evidence that led to the convictions.

An important addition to the Project occurred with the hiring of a half-time project coordinator. Rhonda Keech, who graduated from the UIS Legal Studies Department and came on board in this role in September 2008. With her assistance, the Project sponsored a successful visit during the fall of Professor Richard Leo, who spoke to a packed audience in the university’s Lincoln Hall Great Room on “the psychology of false confessions.” Leo is one of the foremost experts on false confessions and recently co-authored a book on “The Norfolk Four,” about a group of sailors who falsely confessed to, and then were convicted of, a rape and murder in Virginia.

In May, 2009 the Project held the largest reception in its history, honoring noted defense attorney Michael Metnick and the Springfield Dominican Sisters for their contributions in defense of the innocent. The event was held at the Executive Mansion and featured Stanford University professor Larry Marshall, who founded the Northwestern University Center on Wrongful Convictions.

Innocence Project director Larry Golden continued this past year to serve on the Board of Directors of the National Innocence Network.

**Sex Offender Management**

With funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ), ILLAPS designed and carried out a two-day conference for 134 probation and parole officers on sex offender management. The conference provided a rare opportunity for probation and parole officers to train together, and on a difficult topic lacking easy solutions. As part of the federal grant for the activity related to this project, the Institute also conducted a survey of probation departments throughout the state on sex offender management practices. ILLAPS applied for and received subsequent USDOJ funding to build on the foundation created by the conference and survey to engage probation and parole officers in an ongoing effort to improve sex offender management practices.
Campaign Finance Reform

The Sunshine Project, started in 1997, focuses on the role of money and ethics in Illinois politics. The Institute partners with the Illinois Campaign for Political Reform (ICPR) to develop and maintain a continuing, searchable online database of campaign contributions for all state elective offices in Illinois. The database can be accessed in the Sunshine section of ICPR’s website (www.ilcampaign.org). Primary funding for the project is provided by the Joyce Foundation in Chicago.

This year, Kent Redfield, the Sunshine Project’s founder and director, testified on campaign finance issues before the Illinois Reform Commission, established by Gov. Pat Quinn and the Joint Committee on Government Reform, a joint House and Senate body of the Illinois General Assembly. Dr. Redfield also worked closely with reform groups analyzing and drafting reform proposals that were considered during the spring legislative session.

The project is currently updating its two premier brochures highlighting the findings of its research: *The Cost of Corruption: Political Corruption in Illinois and What to Do about It* and *Show Me the Money: Cash Clout in Illinois Politics*. The Sunshine Project is also associated with the Midwest Democracy Network, a coalition of political reform organizations from five Midwestern states, including Illinois.

Survey Research Office

The Survey Research Office, which provides a full range of survey and selected data management services, specializes in serving state and local government agencies and nonprofit organizations. The office designs and conducts survey projects involving diverse subjects and populations to meet the needs, resources, and capabilities of its clients. It has a 19-station telephone interviewing laboratory and also conducts mail-out and Web-based surveys.

Periodically, the Survey Research Office conducts statewide public opinion polls, offering the opportunity for organizations to “piggy-back” questions onto the poll at affordable prices. Student opportunities include graduate assistantships and student worker positions. The office also hires workers from the community to assist in telephone interviewing.

PROJECTS (selected)

The findings from two Survey Research Office projects illustrate challenges of dealing with the Illinois budget over the past year.

A survey of Illinois real estate professionals: The challenges & opportunities of doing business in Illinois

One project was a survey of industrial and commercial real estate professionals in Illinois regarding the opportunities and challenges of doing business in Illinois. This project was commissioned by the Illinois Chamber of Commerce. According to the 160 industrial and commercial real estate professionals who were interviewed in the third and fourth quarters of 2008, the greatest problem areas for businesses seeking to expand or relocate within Illinois are: state and local taxes; the state’s reputation/image in working with businesses; and location incentives. These are areas that showed the greatest differences between satisfaction with the respondent’s area of the state and perceived importance of the factor in business decision-making. (More detailed findings can be found at the Illinois Chamber Web site or at the SRO Web site, Past Projects tab, then to FY2009 UIS/SRO Projects.)

Public Evaluations of the State’s Revenue and Spending

In the other project, the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute of Southern Illinois University Carbondale contracted with the SRO to survey a random sample of the Illinois public in October of 2008 regarding attitudes about state revenue and spending. The major finding—according to Mike Lawrence, then director of SIU’s Simon Institute at the time—was that a minority of the Illinois public was convinced of the need to raise revenue, yet only minorities of the public would support decreases in spending for the major state programs where real cost savings can be found. In a press conference where the findings were released, Lawrence called for increased leadership to educate the Illinois public on budgetary issues. (More detailed findings can be found at the SIUC Simon Public Policy Institute Web site or at the SRO Web site, Past Projects tab, then to FY2009 UIS/SRO Projects.)
Illinois children with special health care needs survey

The Survey Research Office assisted the University of Illinois at Chicago’s Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) with a mail-out survey to parent(s)/guardian(s) of Illinois children with special health care needs. The SRO processed returned questionnaires as well as analyzed and summarized results. Included in the summary were comparisons from a similar survey conducted four years ago, when the SRO provided the same services to DSCC. The eight-page mail-out survey was completed by about 3,200 households, for a response rate of more than 40 percent. Results will be used to inform DSCC’s periodic needs assessment process.

Other Recurring SRO Projects

The Survey Research Office continued recurring projects with the Illinois Department of Transportation. For the seventh consecutive year, IDOT’s Division of Traffic Safety has used the Survey Research Office to conduct pre- and post-telephone surveys surrounding selected seat belt and DUI media and enforcement campaigns. And SRO once again conducted its Motorist Opinion Survey for IDOT’s Office of the Secretary, a mail-out survey that has been conducted every year since 2001.

The SRO also assisted Memorial Medical Center of Springfield with its Physician Satisfaction Survey, a biennial survey that the SRO has conducted for Memorial since 1989.

Intern Programs

Office of Graduate Intern Programs

The Office of Graduate Intern Programs coordinates the Graduate Public Service Internship Program (GPSI) and other internship opportunities available for UIS graduate students. For over 35 years GPSI has been ranked as one of Illinois’ premier governmental internships. As the focal point of policy development, Illinois state government has become an exciting arena in which students gain firsthand, professional level experience. Through the GPSI internship, graduate students begin a career in public service while earning a master’s degree from UIS. The program is open to students from all academic backgrounds. After completing the GPSI internship, many interns continue working in state government, while others pursue careers with other levels of government or in the private sector. In FY09, the GPSI program placed 156 graduate students in internships at participating state agencies.

In April 2009, at the annual spring breakfast to honor graduating interns, the fourth annual Brian T. Milbrandt Memorial Award for Excellence was presented to Elena Churikova in recognition of her distinguished excellence in leadership and performance as a GPSI intern with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Brian Milbrandt, a GPSI intern for the Illinois Department of Transportation, died in November 2006. Also, the second annual Sagarika Madala Memorial Award for Excellence was presented to Hal Waggoner, acting chief information officer for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, in recognition of his exemplary leadership as a GPSI supervisor and mentor. Sagarika Madala, a GPSI intern with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, died in March 2007.
Office of Electronic Media

The Office of Electronic Media produces public service, educational, public affairs, training and informational programs on DVD, CD, video, audiotape and the Internet in support of the University’s academic and public affairs missions. Live event productions, webcasts, satellite downlinks, multi-media programs and statewide radio/television public service campaigns are produced for the Center, UIS, state and federal government, public television, Illinois educators, and non-profit agencies. The Office of Electronic Media operates a full-time, closed-circuit television channel on the UIS campus providing coverage of academics, campus issues, student life, athletics, and other campus activities. The office maintains complete television and multi-media studios in the University’s Public Affairs Center and provides practical learning opportunities in media production for UIS students.

Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission

This year, the Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission, in an effort to reach out and serve a wider constituency, began live webcasting of its quarterly meetings from the Office of Electronic Media’s studio on the UIS campus. The webcast features a unique two-screen presentation that provides for continuous live captioning and signing. Viewers are able to read the captioning, follow signing or listen to the audio portion of the meetings simultaneously.

Illinois Seniors and Program Gambling

In partnership with the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) the Office of Electronic Media produced a 17-minute DVD about senior citizens and problem gambling in Illinois. Seniors are the fastest growing segment of problem gamblers. Utilizing interviews with seniors who are recovering gamblers, along with commentary from problem gambling counselors, the DVD examines the serious nature of gambling addiction and its growth among this demographic. Viewers can take a test to help determine their likelihood of either being or becoming a problem gambler. Information on resources available and where to get help is included at the end of the video. The DVD is distributed throughout the state by DHS.

State Government

In January 2009, the Office of Electronic Media provided video production for the live webcast of the 96th Inauguration of the Illinois House of Representatives. Held in Sangamon Auditorium on the UIS campus, the office covered the ceremony with three live television cameras. The event also included an historic vote by the newly sworn-in House members on Governor Rod Blagojevich’s impeachment.

The public hearings held on campus by the Illinois Reform Commission, created by Governor Quinn to hold hearings and make recommendations for reforming Illinois’ political climate, were also videotaped for webcasting and archiving.

A three-DVD training session was produced for the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts (AOIC). Working with the Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies, OEM taped a series of training interviews for probation officers in the OEM studio and then produced the interactive DVD set for distribution by AOIC.

UIS Campus

The Office of Electronic Media contributes to many facets of university life, from live webcasts of online academic courses, guest lectures, student events, Center forums and presentations, to the operation of the Campus Channel, the university’s 24/7 closed circuit television station. UIS students are provided an opportunity to work and gain experience in media production. The university’s distance learning students around the state, the country and the world can follow live telecasts of the Student Government Association meetings and many of the events happening on campus. Webcasts and DVDs provide a way to share the many educational and social events of the campus with a greater community, as well as providing a permanent resource for research and review.
Center Publications / Illinois Issues

Center Publications produces scholarly resources and journalistic information on state government, policy and politics for use by opinion leaders, citizens and educators.

The major project of Center Publications is Illinois Issues magazine, which has been published since 1975. The magazine offers independent analysis of state policy and government. It presents monthly reports and essays in a balanced, fair and journalistic style and covers such topics as political and policy trends, legislative issues and the state's quality of life.


Illinois Issues

The focus of the independent monthly magazine Illinois Issues is to encourage informed and ethical decision-making by those entrusted with the public good, civic engagement and activities that improve the quality of life in the state.

In 2008-2009, the magazine offered extensive coverage of the arrest, indictment and impeachment of former Gov. Rod Blagojevich and his appointment of Roland Burris to the U.S. Senate seat vacated by Barack Obama, who was elected president on November 4, 2008. In January, the magazine’s cover story contrasted the rise to power of favorite son Obama against the concurrent disgrace of Blagojevich. Another major story was the economy’s “spectacular collapse,” which we featured on our cover in June.

As evidenced by those two issues, we made a concerted effort to ensure our covers — including February’s edition, which featured the colorful LeRoy Neiman portrait of Abraham Lincoln — were attractive and eye-catching. Lincoln also served as the subject of
Three graduates of UIS’ Public Affairs Reporting master’s degree program were honored this year with induction into the Bill Miller Public Affairs Reporting Hall of Fame.

The event, sponsored by Illinois Issues, WUIS radio and the Center for State Policy and Leadership, was held Nov. 17, 2008, at the Inn at 835 in Springfield. The featured speaker was Christi Parsons, national correspondent for the Chicago Tribune. As a member of the newspaper’s Washington bureau, she covered the 2008 national elections, among other events.

The 2008 Hall of Fame inductees were:

**Ray Long** of the Chicago Tribune’s state Capitol bureau, who has reported on Illinois government and politics for more than 25 years at various publications throughout the state. He also has worked for the Associated Press as that organization’s Springfield bureau chief, the Chicago Sun-Times as a government reporter and the Peoria Journal Star. He is the current president of the Illinois Legislative Correspondents Association and a founding member of Capitolbeat, a national organization of Statehouse reporters and editors.

He has won numerous state, local and national journalism awards, including the Illinois AP’s 1997 Charles Chamberlain Award, a staff honor recognizing a writer’s storytelling skills. He is author of a chapter about investigative reporting in the book A Guide to Statehouse Reporting.

Long received his bachelor’s degree in 1980 and his master’s degree in 1981 from then Sangamon State University, now UIS.

**Mary Bohlen**, associate professor and chair of UIS’ Communication Department, who has taught journalism for more than 25 years. In that position, she supervises nine full-time faculty members, six adjunct instructors and nearly 200 graduate and undergraduate students. After graduation from the PAR program in 1976, she joined United Press International’s Illinois Capitol bureau, covering state government, as well as elections, court cases and sports events. Before beginning her teaching career, she also was press secretary for the Illinois Senate Democrats.

UIS professor Mary Bohlen, a 2008 inductee into the Bill Miller PAR Hall of Fame, with professor Charles N. Wheeler III, director of the PAR program.

**Bill Miller PAR Hall of Fame**

Also in July of 2008, we were proud to learn that the Tribune named Illinois Issues as one of its 50 Favorite Magazines, and wrote, “Not just a magazine for policy wonks, Illinois Issues decipheres Springfield legislation for all constituents in the Land of Lincoln. Education, immigration, conservation and, of course, corruption are analyzed regularly in lively, well-informed articles on the state of our state.”

Illinois Issues has a full and part-time staff of seven and assigns a full-time reporter, Bethany Jaeger, to track political news and analyze long-term policy trends at the Illinois Capitol. In addition, some of the best-known reporters and scholars in the state contribute articles to the magazine.

A graduate research assistant helps write, edit and publish the magazine, the annual Roster of State Government Officials and other publications produced by the Center for State Policy and Leadership. This spring, Illinois Issues also had two interns from the UIS Public Affairs Reporting program to work in the magazine’s Capitol bureau.

This upcoming year we plan to update our look and expect to reveal a major redesign of the magazine.

The 2009 Paul Simon Essay “What makes Lincoln, Lincoln?,” which was written by nationally known Gettysburg College professor Allen C. Guelzo, the two-time Lincoln Prize-winning author of Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President and Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation: The End of Slavery in America.

Former Chicago Tribune reporter Crystal Yednak wrote the stories in our three-part series on nonprofits and philanthropies in Illinois, which appeared in April, June and October. The series was made possible through a grant by the Chicago-based Donors Forum, an umbrella organization for foundations and other charitable organizations.
An Illinois House committee hears testimony before issuing a report recommending the impeachment of Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

She is co-founder of the Springfield Chapter of the Association for Women in Journalism and a past president of the area’s Women in Communications chapter. In 2008, she received UIS’ Pearson Faculty Award for Teaching, an honor given to one faculty member annually for outstanding teaching.

Before receiving her master’s degree from UIS, Bohlen earned a bachelor’s degree in journalism from Southern Illinois University Carbondale in 1972.

Kevin Finch, news director of WISH-TV, the CBS affiliate in Indianapolis. During his more than two decades as a broadcast journalist, he also worked for the NBC television affiliate in Indianapolis and radio and television stations in Morton, Peoria, Springfield and Champaign.

He has reported on numerous political events, including for national conventions, a presidential inauguration and the impeachment trial of President Bill Clinton. He also guided coverage of the 9/11 terrorist attacks from Washington, as well as the start of the current war in Iraq.

Finch is a recipient of the national Edward R. Murrow Award, and his station has won numerous honors for projects he worked on, including a George Foster Peabody Award. He earned a bachelor’s degree from Murray State University in 1981 and received his master’s degree from UIS in 1986.

The Public Affairs Reporting Hall of Fame is named in honor of Bill Miller, a longtime broadcast journalist who was director of the university program for 19 years. After a semester of class work, students are assigned to professional newspaper, television and radio bureaus at the state Capitol to work alongside experienced reporters. Inductees are selected by journalists, educators and former honorees using an established process.

The event is held in even-numbered years. Illinois Issues also sponsors the Samuel Gove Legislative Internship Hall of Fame in odd-numbered years.

WUIS Public Radio

WUIS 91.9, its Pittsfield repeater station 89.3 and its online site, wuis.org, provide public radio to thousands of listeners in central and west-central Illinois through analog and digital signals.

WUIS is the premiere radio source for state government news in the region. Along with coverage of the State Capitol, the station offers a mix of local and national news including such shows as Morning Edition, All Things Considered and Marketplace. For nearly 35 years WUIS has supplemented the university’s public affairs offerings through the state legislative coverage and weekly political analysis show State Week in Review. The station is the hub for the Illinois Public Radio network.

WUIS is also the home of a variety of arts and cultural coverage including locally hosted classical music and broadcasts of the Illinois Symphony Orchestra. The station also offers roots, jazz, bluegrass and folk music, as well as public radio staples such as Prairie Home Companion, Car Talk and Wait, Wait Don’t Tell Me. The station’s goal is to be the source of cultural information for the region.

Impeachment Coverage

WUIS led the way with coverage of the arrest and then impeachment of Governor Rod Blagojevich. The station devoted extensive time to live coverage from the day of the arrest through the impeachment hearings and trial of the former Governor. It was the only radio station in the region providing gavel to gavel coverage of the proceedings and live coverage of related events.

Buy Fresh Buy Local

WUIS had a record-setting fall fundraising campaign spurred on by the station’s “Buy Fresh, Buy Local” campaign which promoted local food organizations. It also resulted in the distribution of hundreds of re-usable shopping bags given away at farmers’ markets across the region. It is part of WUIS’ increasing efforts to be a community service resource to the region.
New Internship Program

WUIS is playing more of a role in educating future broadcasters. This summer the station instituted a formal internship program with four college students, including three from UIS. They received training in areas of news, programming, development and station promotions.

WUIS.org

More people listened online to WUIS during the past year. The station continually expanded its streams to accommodate the capacity audiences tuning in for impeachment-related events. Also, the station increased the number of podcasts offered. Listeners can now go to WUIS.org to listen online to news stories, State Week in Review, Quiddity and other locally produced programs.

Special Lincoln Bicentennial Coverage


Race Riot Series

WUIS reporter Jenna Dooley produced a documentary and a series of reports in observance of the centennial of the Springfield Race Riot. Her reports included archival audio of interviews with people who witnessed the events and an analysis of the current state of race relations in Springfield.

Live Performances

The Suggs Studio at WUIS hosted two performances. The station offered a children’s show from Americana Music Hall of Famer Jason Ringenberg as Farmer Jason, and hosted a storyteller living room concert from Smithereens lead singer Pat Dinizio. More shows, including a classical music series, are planned for the studio. Music Director Karl Scroggin hosted the leader of the Kronos Quartet during their visit to Springfield. WUIS’ Bedrock 66 Live! Series continued hosting critically acclaimed performers at the Hoogland Center for the Arts, which in turn were then broadcast on WUIS.

National Exposure

WUIS reporters were heard on the airwaves across the country and overseas. Statehouse reporter Amanda Vinicky was a regular on the public radio show The Takeaway during the impeachment of Governor Blagojevich. Sean Crawford, Statehouse bureau chief, held on-air conversations with the BBC regarding Obama’s ascendency to the White House. Vinicky, Crawford and Jenna Dooley, along with Public Affairs Reporting intern Todd Fuerer, all had reports featured on National Public Radio.

New Development Director

Radio veteran Randy Eccles joined WUIS in August of 2008 as the station’s development director. He had previously worked a number of years at radio stations WGN in Chicago and KTAR in Phoenix.

Farmer Jason kids show in Suggs Studio

Pat Dinizio and the living room concert in Suggs Studio.
The Papers of Abraham Lincoln

The Papers of Abraham Lincoln is a long-term documentary editing project dedicated to identifying, imaging and publishing all documents written by or to Abraham Lincoln during his lifetime (1809-1865). The project is composed of three series: the Legal Series consists of documents from Lincoln’s quarter-century legal career; the Illinois Series consists of correspondence and all other nonlegal documents prior to Lincoln’s inauguration as president in March 1861; and the Presidential Series consists of correspondence and other records from Lincoln’s presidency. The Papers of Abraham Lincoln is a project of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and co-sponsored by the University of Illinois Springfield and the Abraham Lincoln Association.

The Lincoln Legal Papers, Series I

The Lincoln Legal Papers, Series I of the Papers of Abraham Lincoln, had published in 2008 The Papers of Abraham Lincoln: Legal Documents and Cases, a four-volume book edition highlighting more than fifty of Lincoln’s most famous, representative and important legal cases. The Illinois State Historical Society awarded the book edition’s editors its book of the year award.

The project also published a new version of The Law Practice of Abraham Lincoln, Second Edition, on the Internet, making it freely available. Editorial staff updated the data, replaced some images with more readable color images, and added new documents and cases.

The Papers of Abraham Lincoln, Series II and III

The Papers of Abraham Lincoln, Series II and III, continues to update its database of all documents written by or to Lincoln during his lifetime. Staff members traveled across the country to obtain images from more than a hundred repositories. Director Daniel Stowell and Associate Director John Lupton continue to travel to Washington, DC to monitor progress at the Library of Congress and the National Archives in College Park, MD.

Helping to celebrate the bicentennial of Lincoln’s birth, staff members gave numerous presentations and have been featured in radio and public television programs, newspaper articles and documentaries.

Lincoln Day-by-Day

The Papers of Abraham Lincoln continues to update one of the main reference works on the life of Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln Day-by-Day was a publication of the Lincoln Sesquicentennial Commission. With many new documents and new information on Lincoln’s legal practice, the Papers of Abraham Lincoln had launched a Web site titled The Lincoln Log that continually updates the known whereabouts of Lincoln during his life. One of the successes of this endeavor is partnering with the Illinois Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the Illinois Press Association to provide a “this day in history” for Abraham Lincoln for all newspapers in Illinois.


Faculty with Joint Appointments

Beverly Bunch, Associate Professor, Public Administration
Patricia Byrnes, Associate Professor, Economics
Kim Furumoto, Assistant Professor, Legal Studies
Sharron LaFollette, Associate Professor, Public Health
Ronald Michaelson, Visiting Professor, Political Science
Patrick Mullen, Assistant Professor, Public Administration
Kent Redfield, Professor Emeritus, Political Science
John Transue, Assistant Professor, Political Science

Faculty on Externally Funded Activities

Lawrence Golden, Professor Emeritus, Political Studies and Legal Studies
Frank Kopecky, Professor Emeritus, Legal Studies
Martin Martsch, Associate Professor, Social Work
Sandra Mills, Associate Professor Emerita, Social Work

Faculty on Center-supported Activities

Dennis Rendleman, Assistant Professor, Legal Studies
Richard Judd, Professor Emeritus, Business Administration

Tony Halter with Sandy Mills, Associate Professor Emerita of Social Work.

Members of the Center’s Advisory Board, Bill Sutton, Cullom Davis and Mike Jones meet with Tony Halter following the Center Convocation on November 14, 2008.

Office of the Executive Director staff Robert Raleigh, Brenda Allan and Barbara Ferrara provide administrative support services for Center projects and special events.


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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
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During state fiscal year 2009, the center’s total revenue, counting both appropriated and non-appropriated revenue, was $9,140,177. This represented an increase of 11.2 percent in funding compared to the previous year, due to an increase in non-appropriated income. Across all units, the center’s fiscal year 2009 appropriated income totaled $1,587,987, a decrease of 2.3 percent from the $1,626,041 received in fiscal year 2008.

The overall level of non-appropriated funding continued to rise in fiscal year 2009. Center units generated a total of $7,552,190 in non-appropriated income, an increase of 14.5 percent from the 2008 level. The Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies (ILLAPS) generated $3,077,660 in non-appropriated income, an increase of 30.2 percent. Among ILLAPS’ new projects this year were contracts with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Law Enforcement Liaison project, the Illinois State Library to evaluate their leadership training for librarians, the Barat Foundation to evaluate a civic education program, and the Generations of Hope Development Corporation for an evaluation of its progress under a Kellogg Foundation grant. The Joyce Foundation continued its funding of campaign finance research through the Sunshine Project for a twelfth year. Two other center units had notable increases in non-appropriated income: the Papers of Abraham Lincoln received a grant from the Davis Family Charitable Fund to support searching at the National Archives, and WUIS Public Radio received a U.S. Department of Commerce Public Telecommunications Facilities grant for the station’s technical upgrades and digital conversion.

The ratio of appropriated to non-appropriated dollars grew larger compared to FY08, with only 17 percent of the center’s support coming from appropriated dollars in FY09, while 83 percent came from non-appropriated funding. This meant that the center generated more than four times as much in non-appropriated revenue as it received in appropriated funds. For every $1.00 the center received in state appropriated funds, it generated $4.76 in non-appropriated revenue.

Illinois state agencies continue to be the center’s primary clientele. Of the $7.5 million in non-appropriated income, three-quarters (75%) was generated by state government grants and contracts, including $2.4 million in agency contracts for Graduate Public Service Interns. Across the center, federal grant and contract revenue increased substantially, as did private and foundation support.

Again in fiscal year 2009, center units were responsible for a majority (74%) of the grant and contract dollars requested by UIS and received the majority (89%) of the funds awarded. Of the total grant and contract dollars awarded to UIS this year, center units received $7,437,611. The Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies and the Office of Graduate Intern Programs led the center in successfully obtaining grants and contracts. ILLAPS accounted for 43 percent of the total grant and contract dollars awarded to UIS, while the Graduate Intern Programs accounted for 34 percent of the dollars awarded.
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