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# President's Welcome

#### John Salazar, Jr.

We have been busy this past year, planning for great things to come! After having a very successful ICPA Business Meeting & Social at ACPA 2013 Las Vegas, we look forward to repeating this style of meeting at next year's ACPA 2014 Indianapolis with even greater numbers! Also, our ICPA Summer Leadership meeting was successful, allowing our new Board members to transition into their positions.

As for strategic planning, this spring the ICPA membership voted on and approved a new Strategic Plan for ICPA. This new strategic plan will give our state association more specific guidance on where we can focus on our efforts. So be on the lookout for targeted efforts aimed at engaging our membership including the survey on page three of this newsletter!

As the theme for ACPA 2014 Indianapolis is "Re-Invent," the ICPA Board of Directors has had tough conversations regarding how our state association can reinvent itself and better serve the needs of our membership. As such, the Board has made the decision to move our annual conference back from spring 2014 to Fall 2014. We believe this change will best serve the needs of our constituents around the state. We will still plan on gathering our membership for an event in spring 2014 so look forward to more information regarding what exciting ideas we have coming to ICPA.

Finally, I wanted to remind you that ICPA is here to serve you, but it cannot run without your support! If you have any interest in helping grow our association, we would love your help! Visit our website to let us know of your interest and we will get you connected! Take care and have a great year!



# Director of Membership Position Open!

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Looking to give back to the profession? Get involved with ICPA! We're currently looking for a dedicated member to take on the role of Director of Membership. If interested, send an email to John Salazar, Jr. at jsalazar@monmouthcollege.edu.



We want to structure our goals around your professional wants, needs, and knowledge. The survey below asks questions about social media usage, types of events, and your willingness to share your expertise.

The survey is available until December 17, 2013.

Please take a few moments and access the survey now. CLICK HERE.

# Higher Ed Program Highlight

Michelle Howe

Institution: Western Illinois University – Macomb, Illinois Degree: Master of Science in College Student Personnel (CSP) Number of Students: 45

#### Coursework:

- Student Development Theory
- Philosophy of Higher Education
- Multicultural Competence
- Research Methods

#### Program Highlights:

• Two-year commitment (48 semester hours)

We will feature a different higher education program in Illinois in each newsletter. Please pass this info along to anyone considering a graduate degree in our field!

- Group Dynamics
- Organization & Administration of Student Affairs
- Counseling Theory & Techniques
- Each student is required to have an assistantship and all students have the opportunity to have five different practical experiences (internship, assistantships, and semester-long practicums)
- Guided by the values of theory-to-practice, ethical action, self-authorship, social justice, and transformative learning

What students are saying: "The cohort experience at WIU has been one of the most beneficial parts of the program. Being in the same classes... helps us build off each other's knowledge and learn together. I depend on members of my cohort to help me reflect on many of my experiences and grow as an individual." Tenisia Adams, first year CSP student

The deadline to apply is January 15 at www.wiu.edu/csp

## Congratulations 2014 ACPA Award Illinois Recipients!

#### Brian Houze

Loyola University Chicago Outstanding Master's Level Graduate Student, Commission for Student Involvement

Lisa S. Kelsay

Moraine Valley Community College Service to the Profession, Commission for Student Development in the Two-Year College

> Tracy Davis Western Illinois University ACPA Senior Scholars Award



### Presenting in Indianapolis? Let us know!

Congratulations to any ICPA member whose proposal was accepted to present at the 2014 National Convention.

We would like to support you in your scholarly endeavors! Please email Carrie Grogan at cgrogan@uic.edu so that we can compile a list of Illinois presentations.

> We would like to know: Title of presentation Presenter names & institutions Description Location Date & Time

## **ICPA at Student Affairs 101**

**Michelle Harvey** 

Student Affairs 101 (SA 101) is a "conversation among undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, and student affairs professionals about the values and practice of student development work." Sponsored this year by the College Student Personnel Program at Western Illinois University on the last Friday in October, SA 101 provided breakout sessions on a variety of topics, a networking lunch, a grad school fair, and a keynote address by Shari Rich, Associate Dean of Students at Eureka College. During the grad school fair ICPA members shared our mission with undergraduate and graduate students and talked about the importance of finding a professional home in an association. The 2014 Student Affairs 101 conference will be held at Illinois State University.

# Thank you to our committee members!

Ashlee Mishler Ashley Schantz Crystal Brown Megan Heckel Michelle Howe





## Legislative Update Laila McCloud

Regardless of the type of institution you work for, the work of student affairs professionals is influenced by federal, state and local legislation. One of the goals of ICPA is to engage our members in conversations about how politics influence our students and how we support (and challenge!) them on our campuses. The Illinois House passed SB10, also known as the Religious Freedom and Marriage Fairness Act which means that Illinois joins 15 other states in allowing same

same sex marriage. In 2011, Governor Pat Quinn signed the Illinois Dream Act which makes scholarships, pre-paid tuition plans and college savings available to undocumented students who graduate from Illinois high schools. The Patient Protection Affordable Care Act implementation began this fall, providing health care options to many people who were previously uninsured.

ICPA wants to know: how have these laws impacted your campus? How are you engaging colleagues and students around these topics? Join us on twitter or Facebook to continue the conversation.

## NOTEWORTHY NOTES



#### SAY IT HERE

Have an event or workshop going on you'd like to share with the ICPA membership? Send any newsletter content to Carrie Grogan at cgrogan@uic.edu.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Looking to become an ICPA member or renew membership? Undergraduate and Graduate student memberships are free – email John Salazar Jr. at jsalazar @monmouth.edu to get on our list. Professional memberships are paid through the ACPA membership site.

#### **CONNECT WITH US**

In addition to our quarterly newsletter, we are updating social media with content regularly! Stay connected:



@icpatweets



Group Search: Illinois College Personnel Association

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