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WOMEN IN STUDENT AFFAIRS

Celebrating Women's History Month at UIC



The beginning of the field of Student Affairs is usually associated with the appointment of LeBarron Briggs as Harvard's "Dean of the College" in charge of student welfare in 1890. Were you aware that unlike many other occupations, women entered the profession shortly thereafter? Elizabeth Powell Bond was appointed by Swarthmore as the Dean of Women in 1890 and Alice Freeman Palmer and Marion Talbott served in the capacities of a Dean of Women's role in 1892 at the University of Chicago.

UIC Student Affairs is proud to have a long history of diverse staff with women represented throughout its offices and positions. The third Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at UIC was the first woman to serve in the position. Dr. Marie Robinson accepted the leadership appointment in 1992. Beloved and respected by both students and colleagues, the popular residence hall for upperclassmen was dedicated in her honor in 2003. Today, over 58% of the UIC Student Affairs staff members are women as confirmed by Sue Kovacs, Executive Director of UIC Human Resources.

Dr. Linda Deanna, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students has been an integral part of the UIC Student Affairs leadership team for over 15 years. She is known for encouraging students to explore the profession and for mentoring colleagues. When asked about the unique qualities that women bring to the profession, Dr. Deanna stated that "Women in the Student Affairs profession bring a different voice into the academic environment: a voice that values inclusion, collaboration, vision, empowerment, and the importance of interpersonal understanding. Their voices offer diverse insights which are invaluable in serving our students." She believes that within Student Affairs there are many opportunities for women to contribute their unique perspectives to the planning and development of student programs and services.

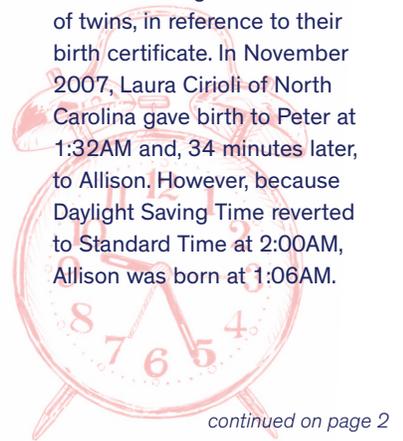
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SPRING AHEAD, FALL BACK!

FUN FACTS ABOUT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Daylight Saving Time (DST) is a time to "spring ahead" an hour on Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 2:00AM. Let's take a look at some fascinating facts about this yawn-inducing time:

- DST is a system to reduce electricity usage by extending daylight hours first conceived by Benjamin Franklin in 1784.
- Countries located near the equator do not observe DST, as the daylight hours there do not vary with the seasons.
- DST can change the birth order of twins, in reference to their birth certificate. In November 2007, Laura Cirioli of North Carolina gave birth to Peter at 1:32AM and, 34 minutes later, to Allison. However, because Daylight Saving Time reverted to Standard Time at 2:00AM, Allison was born at 1:06AM.



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SPOTLIGHT: CAREER SERVICES



2. What are your plans this semester for Career Services? *With a strong job market, on-campus interviews have increased. We expect to stay busy with workshops, while ensuring that we're meeting students' expectations.*

1. What services does Career Services offer? *Our office provides individual advising sessions focused on career development; job search strategies; career coaching; resume and cover letter advice; interview tips; workshops throughout the year; job fairs; and industry panel discussions, which bring in prospective employers. We also have a Student Employment wing that focuses on campus employment for students. On an annual basis, 3000+ students are working in more than 4000 on-campus jobs.*

3. What programs have shown to be most successful? *Traditionally, our job fairs have been very well attended and we average between 400-1600 students per fair.*

4. Describe a couple of the programs in Career Services. *We partner with the Chicago Network for the Future Leaders Program for our 2nd and 3rd year female students. This program gives a select group of students' exposure to senior level executives as well as entry/mid-level professionals with a large not-for profit and corporation. In previous years, we've visited ABC7 News, the Red Cross, and Ulta's Corporate headquarters. Our students have met managing directors, CEO's and even the hosts for Windy City Live.*



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- To keep to their published timetables, trains cannot leave a station before the scheduled time. So, when the clocks fall back one hour in October, all Amtrak trains in the U.S. that are running on time stop at 2:00AM and wait one hour before resuming. At the spring DST change, trains instantaneously become an hour behind schedule at 2:00AM, but they just keep going and do their best to make up the time.
- DST used to close on the last Sunday in October. An extension of DST into November was proposed as a way to encourage greater voter participation for Election Day, which is held the Tuesday after the first Monday. The theory was that more people would go to the polls if it was still light when they returned home from work.

Source: AcuRite.com and msn.com

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CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH AT UIC

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At 15+ years of service, Kathy Battee-Freeman, Associate Director for Career Development, Career Services, is a strong representative of women for designations of 15-35 years of service. She was first introduced to the field while an undergraduate student employee here at UIC. Based upon her experience, she advises women new to profession "to use formal and informal mentoring to continue professional and personal development, be brave and do not let self-doubt stop the pursuit of more knowledge or taking advantage of opportunities, keep track of contributions and accomplishments, and take care of both mental and physical health."

Susan Teggatz, Director of Housing, has been at UIC for 20 years. She attributes the persistence and success of many colleagues to their naturally adopting a mantra that she has used since graduate school – "Life is Change – Growth is Optional". For her, the statement is a reminder that women must be open to new practices and challenges in order to experience incredible growth as they encourage students to do the same.

Consistent awards from professional organizations and special recognitions on campus demonstrate that the contributions of our female colleagues' have a positive impact on UIC's overarching goals and our student learning outcomes. However, when asked, several of these distinguished colleagues indicated that helping students achieve is both their greatest honor and motivation.

As we observe Women's History Month this March, consider reaching out to the women in Student Affairs who helped you navigate your undergraduate and graduate experiences or personal development in the profession. Similarly, regardless of your gender identity, your daily efforts might just inspire a current female student to pursue great works through our profession.

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NEED TO KNOW

March 2 & 6

CONFLICT WORKSHOP

3:00–4:00PM

Wellness Center (Room 238), SCE
Learn to conquer conflict. Open to students, faculty, and staff.

March 6

REGISTRATION OPENS: ROCK, SWIM, AND SPORT KIDS SUMMER PROGRAM

Sessions run 6/21–6/30, 7/10–7/21,
and 7/31–8/11. For more information,
email Ryan Morse [HERE](#).

March 8

SAFER SEX FEST

Room 605, SCE Tower
1:00–3:00PM

March 10

UIC RADIO'S BATTLE OF THE BANDS

6:00PM

Bar 10 Doors (1251 W. Taylor St.)
Doors open at 5:45PM.

March 12

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

2:00AM

Set your clocks ahead one hour!

March 15

POP-UP PANTRY

Room 613, SCE Tower
10:30AM–2:00PM

March 16

ALL MAJORS CAREER FAIR

10:00AM–2:00PM

SCE, Illinois Room

Open to UIC Students and Alumni only.

March 20

FIRST DAY OF SPRING

March 24

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS: 2016-2017 STUDENT ORGANIZATION RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Outstanding Student Organization of the Year Award - nominate [HERE](#)
- Outstanding Student Organization Advisor of the Year Award - nominate [HERE](#)
- Outstanding New Organization of the Year Award - nominate [HERE](#)
- Commitment to Diversity Award - nominate [HERE](#)

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Student Affairs Night & Homecoming Game

February 9

Student Affairs staff and families enjoy food and basketball.



Homecoming Dance

February 10

Bringing "home" school spirit at Navy Pier.



SHOUT-OUT TO THE CREW



NATASIA BONGCAS
RESIDENT DIRECTOR,
CAMPUS HOUSING

Congratulations to Natasia Bongcas on being awarded the NASPA (Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education) APIKC (Asian Pacific Islander Knowledge Community) Rising Star Award at the NASPA Annual Conference to be held in San Antonio, on March 14th.

NEW HIRES

CONCETHIA CAMPBELL
Marketing Account Manager,
Student Affairs Marketing &
Communications

CARLTON EASTER
Multimedia Supervisor,
UIC Forum

JAMES FLAMN
Bookstore Manager,
UIC Bookstore

ELIZABETH URCINAS
Assistant Program Director,
Campus Recreation

PAIGE WYNNE
Video Production Specialist/
Social Media Manager,
Student Affairs Marketing &
Communications

PROMOTIONS

ELIZABETH EDGAR
Assistant Director,
International Services

RETIREMENT
JOYCE MOORE
Financial Aid Advisor Coordinator,
Student Financial Aid

AMANDA VARNER
Building Service Worker,
Campus Housing

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