ICCHE Join Forces with ICCET for Fall Conference

September 24–25, 2015

ICCHE and the Illinois Council for Continuing Education and Training (ICCET) are partnering to host a fall conference at Parkland College in Champaign in late September.

The conference’s start time of 10 am on Thursday, September 24 will enable attendees to commute in that morning. The conference will conclude at noon on Friday, September 25. In between, ICCHE members from across the state will have the opportunity to network with colleagues as they sharpen their knowledge of current trends and practices in continuing education and training.

“Building College Completion Among Adult Students: Expanding Prior Learning Assessment (PLA)” is the topic of the Thursday morning keynote session, offered by Walter Pearson of Loyola University Chicago. It will be followed by an awards lunch and then a session on “Humor in the Classroom.” A choice of concurrent sessions will follow and then each attendee will be able to participate in roundtable discussions of best practices within a variety of topics.

The evening will conclude with a networking dinner.

The half-day session on Friday will begin with membership meetings for both ICCHE and ICCET. The organizations will recombine for roundtable brainstorming on solving the latest challenges. A plenary session on “Emerging Technologies in Education” will conclude the day.

Registration is now underway and the deadline for both conference registrations and group rate ($109) reservations at the Hyatt Place Champaign/Urbana is September 3. Conference cost (including the dinner) is $129. Visit www.iccet.com/confFall.html to register for the conference. For lodging, call 217.531.2800 and ask for the ICCET rate or visit the ICCET Booking Link.
Note from the president’s desk:

Good fall morning everyone! I am sure that we are all gearing up for the fall semester that will be underway at most of our institutions by the time this latest newsletter reaches your mailboxes. It is an exciting time in higher education! There are many challenges, but there are also many opportunities.

A few items that I would like to share are that we have once again had the great opportunity to work with the Illinois Council on Continuing Education and Training (ICCET) on our Fall Conference offering. ICCHE will be co-hosting the Fall Conference/Retreat at Parkland Community College in Champaign, IL. You should have received a flier via the ICCHE Listserv with the registration information included. Sessions focused on Competency Based Education, Emerging Technologies, Intergenerational Workplaces, Trust in the Workplace, and Humor in the Classroom are planned.

Additionally, for those involved in online education, I encourage you to visit our friends at UPCEA to download the Hallmarks in Excellence in Online Leadership document, http://www.upcea.edu/hallmarks. This is a great aspirational document for director, deans, provosts, and other leaders in the field of online learning.

Finally, Presidents-elect, Gayla Stoner and Beth Craig are lining up a great 2016 annual conference for February 10-12, 2016. If you are interested in submitting a proposal for a presentation, the information is available at http://www.icche.org.

Happy Fall Semester!

Vickie Cook
Elmhurst College

New Graduate Programs in 2016

The School for Professional Studies (SPS) at Elmhurst College will be offering three new graduate programs next year. The first is an M.S. in Health Informatics scheduled to begin in February, 2016. This graduate degree will prepare students to take a leadership role in the field of “health informatics,” which is the interdisciplinary study of the design, development, adoption, and application of IT-based innovations in healthcare services delivery, management, and planning. The second new program is an online Master’s in Health Care Administration. This degree is designed to refine business skills needed to manage and lead in the burgeoning health care industry. Students will develop core competencies in a variety of areas including health care systems and health care management, business and analytical skills, leadership, professionalism and ethics, along with communication, critical thinking and problem-solving skills. The third new graduate program is a Master of Occupational Therapy. Elmhurst was approved for candidacy status by the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) and will begin accepting applications via OTCAS on September 10th. Classes will begin in August of 2016. Please call (630) 617-3300 for more information.

“Over 40 & Hired” Workshops

For the third consecutive year, the SPS will be hosting a series of breakfast workshops in conjunction with the Career Transitions Center of Chicago (CTC) called “Over 40 & Hired”. The first session is an overview of the search process for adults over 40 who are in a career transition mode and will be offered on Thursday, November 5th at 8:00 a.m. The second workshop focusing on networking skills, both face to face and through LinkedIn, will be offered in February and the final session devoted resume writing for career transition will be offered next summer. Visit www.elmhurst.edu/gethired for information and to register. Cost to attend is $15 and includes a hot breakfast. Seating is limited.

North Park University

North Park University’s School of Adult Learning welcomes Dr. Lori Screamanti as new Dean. She has been instrumental in building accelerated degree completion programs, plus graduate, and online programs over the last twenty years. Having done significant research in the area of adult learning with a main focus on adult learners as the new undergraduate majority, Screamanti is fully aware of curricular trends as well as the needs of non-traditional students.

Embracing a mission of social justice and diversity enables her to view her work differently each day as an administrator in an institution of higher education. With a focus and exposure to cultural and ethical issues involved in our K-20 schools today, as well as the need for critical pedagogy in our classrooms, Screamanti's passion is ignited to enhance the learning experiences of students as they face the world all the while participating in the work of Christ.

Screamanti’s research interests include leadership, as well as an examination of institutional integrity and fairness in policies and procedures.

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IBHE

Illinois is now a part of the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement, described on IBHE’s website as “an agreement among member states, districts and territories that establishes comparable national standards for interstate offering of postsecondary distance education courses and programs. It is intended to make it easier for students to take online courses offered by postsecondary institutions based in another state. SARA is overseen by a National Council and administered by four regional education compacts.” The Midwestern Higher Education Compact (MHEC) approved Illinois as the ninth state to join the Midwestern consortium on July 31; 28 states now participate nationwide.

Any higher education institution authorized to grant post-secondary degrees can apply to participate. Community colleges should apply through the Illinois Community College Board and can find more information at [http://www.iccb.org/sara.html](http://www.iccb.org/sara.html). Other institutions should visit [http://www.ibhe.org/Academic%20Affairs/SARAdefault.htm](http://www.ibhe.org/Academic%20Affairs/SARAdefault.htm) for fee and application information.

ICCB

Joliet Junior College, as the nation’s first public community college, was an appropriate host on August 12 for a festive celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Illinois community college system. It was on July 15, 1965 that the Illinois Public Community College Act was signed into law.

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- Donna Gardner Liljegren, Director of Elmhurst College Online Center, wrote to say, “I’ve joined the editorial board of eLearn Magazine, a publication of the Association for Computing Machinery, Inc. (ACM). Anyone one interested in writing about some aspect of e-learning in higher education can contact me. Here’s a link to the Writer’s Guidelines: [http://elearnmag.acm.org/write-for-us.cfm](http://elearnmag.acm.org/write-for-us.cfm)” Donna can be reached at donna.liljegren@elmhurst.edu or (630) 617-6476 or by Skype via donna.liljegrenec.

- Lake Forest Graduate School of Management is seeking a Dean, Faculty and Degree Programs who will be “responsible for credit bearing curriculum, thought leadership and its execution, the hiring and supervision of all Lake Forest Graduate School of Management (LFGSM) affiliated faculty, the design of degree program curriculum, degree program delivery, and degree program outcomes measurement / assessment.” For a detailed job description, visit [http://www.lakeforestmba.edu/about/employment.aspx](http://www.lakeforestmba.edu/about/employment.aspx)

- Southern Illinois University Carbondale is seeking an Executive Director of SIUC’s Extended Campus Office to coordinate development of off-campus, military, distance education, and continuing education initiatives. SIUC currently offers over 800 courses (including one MOOC), 17 degree programs, 2 online certificate programs and 3 online certifications. These numbers are expected to increase. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2015. A full description of the job with application instructions is at: [https://affact.siu.edu/jobs/pvc250.html](https://affact.siu.edu/jobs/pvc250.html)
University of St. Francis
Trends in Talent Development in Industry & Academia
The University of St. Francis will host its second annual workshop/webinar: “Trends in Talent Development in Industry and Academia,” on Friday, September 25, 9:30am-12:30pm. Webinar is from 10am-11am. The event is free. Donations will be accepted for the R. Joy Thompson Memorial Scholarship. Email Bonnie Covelli for more information.

New Dean
The University of St. Francis has appointed Orlando V. Griego the Dean of the College of Business and Health Administration.

Dr. Griego was a professor and Associate Dean at Azusa Pacific University prior to joining the University of St. Francis. He has a PhD specializing in Human Resource Development and a master’s degree in Human Resource Management. He was awarded the “Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award” at Azusa Pacific University, was twice nominated for Best Teacher of the Year Award at Colorado State University, and served as a Senior Faculty member at the Federal Executive Institute in Charlottesville, VA.

At the Federal Executive Institute he taught, led, and trained high level federal executives and military generals in the area of leadership development. Since 1992, he has taught courses focusing on leadership, performance improvement, strategic planning, organizational development, training, and quantitative research. Griego is the co-author of four books as well as an author of over 50 scholarly articles, conference proceedings, and conference presentations. He has also worked as a consultant for Fortune 500 companies and a host of small businesses.

ICCHE & ACHE News
ICCHE is now soliciting proposals for one-hour sessions and thirty-minute sessions for the 2016 Annual Conference (February 10-12 in Chicago). Priority submission deadline is September 30, 2015. Full details about topics, format, and final deadlines can be found on the ICCHE conference page.

Applications for the Charles V. Evans Research Grant will be accepted until January 15, 2016. The grant supports research that benefits continuing education, (credit or non-credit) and the recipient presents his or her results at the annual meeting in the subsequent year. Visit the Grant page for details and links to presentations by prior recipients.

Registration is now underway for the annual meeting of Association for Continuing Higher Education (ACHE) to be held on November 9–11, 2015 in St. Louis, MO. The conference theme is “Strategic Connections - Collaborative Success.” For more information, visit the ACHE 2015 Conference website.

ACHE’s Great Lakes Region will be collaborating with ICCHE to offer the February 2016 conference in Chicago as a joint endeavor, so it is never too soon to begin networking with ACHE members.
Elmhurst College was the bucolic setting for the Spring 2015 Northern Region Symposium. The theme for the day was “Blurred Lines: The Evolving Roles of Two- and Four-Year Institutions.”

The line between learning and fun was quickly blurred as Tim “Big Tuna” Panfil shared the “FISH! Philosophy of Higher Education”:

- Play
- Make Their Day
- Be There
- Choose Your Attitude

Drawn from the experience of employees of Seattle’s Pike Place Fish Market, this philosophy combines elements of customer service and employee relations to build a working environment that values energy, mindfulness, and a positive attitude.

The attendees subsequently broke into small groups to reflect how each element of the FISH! philosophy might be applied to higher education.

Tim’s presentation and the ideas generated by the small groups can be found on the Past Presentations page of ICCHE’s website.

The symposium continued with a panel discussion on the evolving roles of two- and four-year institutions. Past President Terry Borg moderated the panel, and began by asking whether the group believed that lines were blurred. Most saw more collaboration and cooperation than the competition implied by “blurred lines.”

L-R, Terry Borg (NIU) and panel member Gary Grace (University Center of Lake County) (continued on page 7)
Governor Bruce Rauner has proclaimed July 15, 2015 – July 15, 2016 as “The Year of the Community College.”

Illinois legislators and community college leaders join together at Joliet Junior College to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Illinois Community College System. Pictured from left to right: State Senator Pat McGuire, 43rd District, Chair of the Senate Higher Education Committee; Dr. Karen Hunter Anderson, Executive Director of the Illinois Community College Board; Eric Wilhelmi, President of Student Government Association, Joliet Junior College; State Senator Michael Hastings, 19th District; Dr. Debra Daniels, President of Joliet Junior College; and Andrew Bollman, President of the Illinois Community College Trustees Association.
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MEMBERSHIP:
If you are not already a member, consider joining ICCHE today!

The $125 annual fee includes membership for an institutional representative and up to nine additional professionals from the same institution. And for an annual institutional fee of $200, an unlimited number from the institution can be members and enjoy all the benefits! for details.

We’re on the Web!
www.icche.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

September 24-25, 2015 ICCHE/ICCET Fall meeting
   Parkland College
September 25, 2015 ICCHE Board Meeting—
   Parkland College
November 9-11, 2015 ACHE Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO
December 4, 2015 ICCHE Board Meeting—conference call
February 10-12, 2016 ICCHE & ACHE Great Lakes Joint Conference—Chicago

ICCHE Listserv
To send a message to all the people subscribed to the ICCHE Membership list, send an email to: icche@lists.eiu.edu
and staff will post to the listserv.

Note: You must be listed as a member of ICCHE in order to use the listserv.

ICCHE Haiku Corner

Inspired by the IT professionals who rendered various computer error messages into Haiku, this new feature encourages ICCHE members to tap their creativity while reflecting on continuing education.

Back to school again?
The school year seems shorter now.
Am I getting old?

For freshman students
“Three years and nine months from now”
A graduation.

(inspired by NIU’s Baker Report of 8/20/15)

Send your 5/7/5 syllable wit and wisdom on continuing education to hwschnadt@ucenter.org for future issues.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/INPUT??

Suggestions for changes? Want to be a roving reporter and/or join the fun?

Please let us know your thoughts about the ICCHE e-newsletter! How can it be improved? What types of information would you like to see included? Please forward comments or questions about this e-newsletter, and/or information for future issues to the attention of:

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