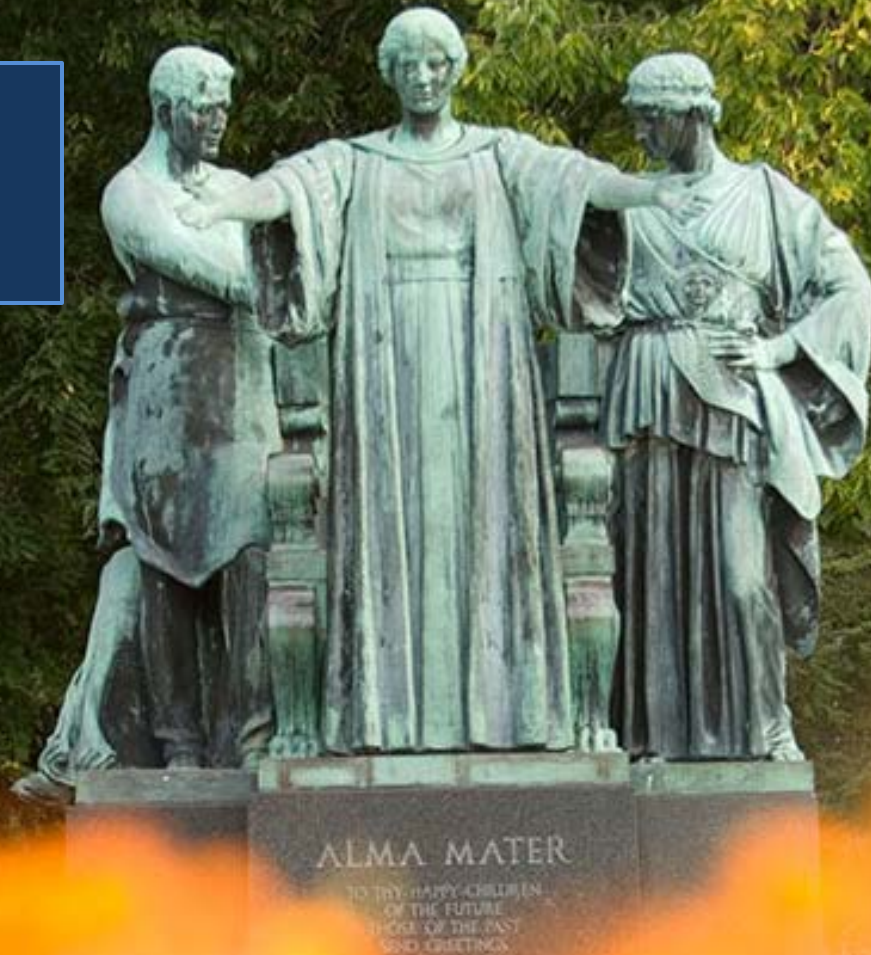


## Committee on Access and Accommodation (CAA)



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# CCAA Mission & Make-up

*The Chancellor's Committee on Access and Accommodation (CCAA) works to raise awareness on campus about the range and variety of disabilities and the need for all university programs and individuals to take responsibility for their part in making Illinois fully accessible to all. Accessibility must become a component of all our programs, facilities, academic resources, and public events.*

Julie A. Hengst, Chair

My linda Granger, Vice-Chair

(list of members at <http://ccaa.dres.uiuc.edu/members.php> )



# 2013-2014 Charge

*The objective is to engage a large segment of our campus in attending and participating in programming and events that help our campus actualize the goals of the Diversity Values Statement and the Inclusive Illinois Commitment Statement*

- Develop, host, and sponsor programs and events to promote an inclusive climate across campus for faculty, staff and students
- Develop a budget to support CCAA activities, \$10,000
- Work with other Diversity Committees and Stakeholders
- Continue to identify and address other issues related to CCAA mission



# CCAA Organization

## **Full Committee meets monthly**

- Disseminate information on Campus Activities Relevant to CCAA
- Discuss committee charge, CCAA 2030, & draft budget
- Discuss ongoing and new business related to CCAA

## **Sub-Committees meet as needed**

- CCAA identified projects
- Diversity Committees' joint projects
  - MLK Day/week activities
  - Accessible, family, and gender neutral restrooms
  - Inclusive Illinois



# Accomplishments

## **CCAA Website**

- Updated & expanded member information
- Location and management of website is being transferred from DRES/Tim Offenstein to ODEA/Joe Brown

## **Chancellor's Public Engagement Student Fellows Program**

- Funded an additional award *"to support projects promoting equal access to facilities and programs for persons with disabilities, raise awareness about the range and variety of disabilities, and/or develop innovative programs, policies, or products that support diverse abilities."*
- Awardee: Natalie Danner, Early Childhood Special Education, for *CASA Strong Beginnings: An Early Childhood and Child Welfare Partnership*



# Goals and Accomplishments

- ***Co-sponsored “A Fashionable Fundraiser 2”***
  - *Part of the Inclusive Illinois Spring Week*
  - *Met with Carlton Bruett to discuss how to make the event accessible for a diverse audience (e.g., captioning/video, CART or print material that needs to be converted) and contributed financially to these efforts*



EDGE Council, April 14, 2014

# Goals and Accomplishments

- **ADA Website and Building Maps** <http://illinois.edu/map/view>
  - *F&S is developing a detailed plan for updating the database, website, and displays of the maps*
  - Chad Kupferschmid, Facilities Information Management Coordinator
  - *CCAA is:*
    - *functioning as a temporary “client” for these efforts*
    - *assisting in gathering use information (e.g., reviewing campus survey data, facilitating focus groups)*



# Goals and Accomplishments

- ***Building Accessibility Registry***
  - *Launched on CCAA website in 2011-2012 as survey on accessibility of campus buildings <http://ccaa.dres.uiuc.edu/index.php>*
  - *Sub-committee is developing a plan to extend the registry to:*
    - *To make more widely visible to our campus community issues of physical accessibility (e.g., post updates on requests that have been received)*
    - *To support ODEA (M.T. Hudson) in developing a process to handle all requests that require budget support to remedy*





# Fiscal Report

## **Expenditures:**

- \$2,000--*Chancellor's Public Engagement Student Fellows Program*
- \$1,000--*"A Fashionable Fundraiser 2"*



# Recommendations for 2014-2015

- **CCAA Website support**
  - expand website to support dissemination of disability and accessibility activities and efforts
  - CCAA will post monthly updates
- **2016 Disabilities Summit**
  - Developing Planning Committee and hold on on-campus summit as initial step
- **Fund Disability & Accessibility Awards**
  - For existing mechanisms (e.g., Public Engagement)
  - As CCAA specific projects (e.g., competition for making visual media accessible to visually impaired)



# Recommendations for 2014-2015

- **Support Joint Diversity Committee Initiatives**
  - CCAA participation should begin earlier in the planning process
- **Committee Make-up**
  - Identify interim CCAA Chair (Julie Hengst will be sabbatical 2014-2015)
  - Expand faculty representation (to support planning for Disability Summit)
  - Hiring a student intern to support ongoing activities (e.g., building registry, CCAA website) and research on accessibility issues/policies

- **Budget Planning** EDD Council, April 14, 2014

- Identify in-kind supports for CCAA related activities on campus



# Recommendations for 2014-2015

- **Budget Planning**
  - Identify in-kind supports for CCAA related activities on campus
  - Identify funding needs earlier
  - Need to carry over a portion of the budget for larger and longer term projects (e.g., Disabilities Summit)

