“Building on a legacy of visionary leadership”

COLLEGE OF APPLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

September 12, 2013
18 degree programs

Three departments:

- Kinesiology & Community Health
- Recreation, Sport & Tourism
- Speech & Hearing Science

Interdisciplinary Bachelor of Science in Health

Disability Resources & Educational Services (DRES)
All departments are top 10
Some are top 3
DRES is number 1
KINESIOLOGY
Professor T.K. Cureton
Illinois Alums in the Fitness Industry

- Personal trainers
- Exercise physiologists
- Physical education teachers
- Wellness directors
- Research scientists
COMMUNITY HEALTH

William Creswell
• Health care management
• Health care administration
• Health education
• Rehabilitation
• Disability
ILLINOIS ALUMS IN R.S.T.

- Park district managers
- Event planners
- Sports industry managers
- Tourism industry managers
- Academia
ILLINOIS ALUMS IN SPEECH & HEARING

- Speech-language pathology
- Audiology, speech, language and hearing research
- Speech improvement industry
- Hearing aid industry
FACULTY RESEARCH FUNDING

NIH
NSF
Department of Defense
National Park Service
USDA

Private foundations and societies such as:
  – Multiple Sclerosis Society
  – American Heart Association
  – American Cancer Association
  – American Alzheimer’s Association.
DIVISION OF DISABILITY RESOURCES & EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (DRES)
BARRIER FREE AMERICA AWARD
• Enrollment increased 63% in 10 years
• Significant gap between employment needs and available personnel in AHS fields
I-Health

- Interdisciplinary Bachelor of Science in Health Matrix model
  - Concentrations:
    - Health & Aging
    - Health Behavior Change
    - Health Diversity
Academic Coach Advising

• Identified unmet need for 1st generation & underrepresented
• 2006 pilot program
• Retention/graduation rates rose to 100%
• GPAs rose
MANNIE L. JACKSON ILLINOIS ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT & LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (I-LEAP)

First African-American All-American and captain of the Illini basketball team

Successful business leader and entrepreneur

Provided lead gift to establish I-LEAP
I-LEAP

• Retention for I-LEAP scholars = 100%

• Graduation Rate = 100%

• 67% GPA 3.00 or higher
Initiative Hiring: Health, Aging & Disability

– Interdisciplinary search committee
– Strong candidate with appointment in one of the departments
– Contributes to whole
Center on Health, Aging & Disability

Interdisciplinary research, education & outreach

Pilot grant program “Navigator”

Symposia & network building
Center for Wounded Veterans in Higher Education
CHALLENGES

BUDGET
Funding needed for faculty recruitment & retention

FACILITIES
• Space deficiencies
• Old & widely distributed buildings
Questions