

IUPUI Division of Student Life

2011-2012 Annual Report Highlights

Introduction

This was the fifth and final year of a strategic plan centered on the shared vision: “Engaging all students.” This report includes highlights of the Division’s work during this year under the leadership of our new [Vice Chancellor](#), Dr. Zebulun Davenport.

Teaching and Learning

Campus Center

- The Campus Center student employees (45 total) held a group cumulative GPA of 3.125 in the fall semester and 3.025 in the spring semester.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

- More than 59% of CAPS clients reported that receiving assistance at CAPS enhanced their academic performance. Fifty percent reported that receiving assistance at CAPS contributed to their ability to remain enrolled at IUPUI.
- Nearly 74% of CAPS clients reported being able to make more decisions based on their personal values and priorities, and almost 69% reported making healthier life choices as a result of coming to CAPS.
- CAPS’ staff, in collaboration with the [Office for Women](#), established a campus-wide Sexual Assault Prevention Task Force for IUPUI and piloted presentations to ~25 first year students and ~250 Fraternity and Sorority Life members.

Educational Partnerships and Student Advocacy

- The Student Advocate served over 340 undergraduate and graduate students in the 2011-12 academic year. Topics included: Academic issues (224 students), Enrollment issues (25 students), financial issues (89 students), student health issues (11), Housing issues both on and off campus (4), and miscellaneous (66 students).

Multimedia Production Center

- The MPC has a senior portfolio presentation program, in which graduating student employees present the work that they designed and reflect upon their experience working at the MPC.
- Students interested in graphic design related majors were offered internships to aid them in completing their degree requirements. Student hired in 2011-2012 represented a variety of majors including Computer Graphics Technology, New Media, Visual Communications, Engineering, and Higher Education.

Office of Student Involvement (OSI)

- Lead IUPUI spearheaded a collaborative initiative with [Organizational Leadership and Supervision \(OLS\)](#) to offer a leadership certificate starting in Fall 2012. The arrangement includes opportunities for students to earn academic credit for co-curricular achievements and confers adjunct faculty status on some Student Life staff who will be teaching leadership courses for OLS.
- Over 180 students and 40 student organizations were recognized through [Lead IUPUI](#) Recognition programs this year including Leadership Foundation Completion, Leadership Reception Recognition, Women’s Leadership Awards, Amazing Jaguar Program, and SOLD (Student Organization Leadership Development).
- Developed seven competency areas for student organization advisors to be incorporated in future advisor training and development. These competencies are: institutional and organizational

knowledge, risk management, communication, cultural/social awareness and understanding, student development, group development, and leadership.

Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct (SRRC)

- Presented a workshop for [International Affairs](#) faculty entitled, “Dealing with Challenging Student Behavior Abroad: How IUPUI’s Code of Conduct Applies on Study Abroad Programs.”

Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity

- Dr. Robert W. Aaron, Director of Assessment and Planning, and Diana Sims-Harris, Coordinator for Student Activities, presented, “A Comprehensive Student Affairs Assessment Plan: A Model for Implementation in Student Activities,” at the annual [IUPUI Assessment Institute in Indianapolis](#).
- Dr. Zebulun R. Davenport, Vice Chancellor for Student Life, was a co-author of a book published in 2012 entitled [First-Generation College Students: Understanding and Improving the Experience from Recruitment to Commencement](#).
- Dr. Davenport presented, “Meeting the Challenge, Transforming Communities, and Enhancing Student Retention,” at the second annual Student Affairs and Enrollment Services Conference at the [Atlanta University Center Consortium](#) in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Dr. Davenport co-presented, “Are We Part of the Problem? Organizational Behavior and Its Impact on Student Success,” at the [Southwestern Ohio Council on Higher Education Student Affairs Conference](#) in Dayton, OH.
- Dr. Aaron J. Hart, Director of Housing and Residence Life, had three programs accepted and presented at national conferences in March 2012. The programs included, “I’m More than My Hair: Professionalism for African Americans” and “Strengthening the Culture of Academic Integrity” at the annual [American College Personnel Association Conference](#) and “Public–Private Partnerships (P3): The Changing Landscape of Housing” at the annual [National Association of Student Personnel Administrators](#) conference.
- Dr. Julie Lash, Director of CAPS, served on two dissertation committees at University of Indianapolis.
- Josh Manlove, Student Advocate, presented, “Advocacy and Advising,” at the [Jaguar Academic Advising Association Conference](#).
- Josh Skillman, Associate Director of Housing and Residence Life, presented a program entitled, “An Intentional Approach to Multicultural Competence and Diversity Training,” at the [annual American College Personnel Association Conference](#).
- Dr. Misty Spitler, CAPS Psychologist, worked with faculty from the [IUPUI Department of Sociology](#), providing on-site follow up counseling for research participants impacted by trauma, grief, and substance abuse (Fall 2011). The research project was funded by [Indiana State Department of Health - Division of Maternal and Child Health](#) and was conducted in the Mapleton-Fall Creek neighborhood.
- Counseling and Psychological Services is supporting dissertation research at [IU-Bloomington](#) for a study entitled “Examining Racial Minority Student Non-Attendance Following the Intake at a University Counseling Center.”

Civic Engagement

Campus Recreation

- Collaborated with [INSHAPE Indiana](#) to offer extended fitness walking program.

Housing and Residence Life

- [IUPUI HRL won a “First and Green” award at the 2012 Super Bowl](#) by saving 169 carbon units. The First and Green awards were a Super Bowl Host Committee initiative to promote sustainability in Indianapolis in the weeks leading up to the Super Bowl XLVI.
- HRL was selected to participate in a sustainability program offered by Citizens Gas, Indiana Power and Light (IPL), Wisconsin Energy Conservation Corporation and Thermo-Scan. HRL will receive, at no cost to the University or department, water-saving showerheads, faucet aerators for kitchen and bath sinks, and compact fluorescent light bulbs for various residence halls.

OSI

- In 2011-2012 Community Service initiatives at IUPUI generated more than 18,220 hours of service for community, resulting in \$389,163 of in-kind donations to the community.
- [Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service](#) had a record amount of participants this year, with 563 participants for this one event.

Diversity

Campus Recreation

- Saw a 28% increase in women-only teams in intramural volleyball in the fall 2011 semester.

CAPS

- Students of color continue to access CAPS’ services at rates proportional to representation in the student body. These students also reported feeling comfortable with their individual counselor (“comfortable enough to express what I was thinking and/or feeling most of the time”) more frequently (96%) as their white peers (91.5%).

OSI

- Thirty students participated in the first [IUPUI Freedom Rides](#), an experiential trip to Memphis, Tennessee. Students explored leadership and social justice by learning from the places and people that played key roles in the Civil Rights movement.
- Lead IUPUI, in partnership with [IUPUI’s Office for Women](#), launched a new student mentoring program for the purpose of educating and empowering individuals about topics related to the advancement of women both in the workplace and on the college campus.

Best Practices

Office of the Vice Chancellor

- The Division completed an internal Self-Study of the Division of Student Life on July 1, 2011.
- The Division completed a comprehensive visioning and strategic planning process which resulted in a new mission statement, broad goals, and strategic initiatives

Campus Center

- Hosted 3,647 events. 55% of the events were student organization events, 44% were university/departmental events and 1% were non-IUPUI affiliated events.
- In collaboration with the [School of Liberal Arts](#), the Campus Center Theater hosted its inaugural production, [“The History of Cardenio: A Lost Shakespearian Play”](#) in April 2012.
- Conducted a review of emergency preparedness procedures, consulting with directors from the Fire Protection Services and Emergency Management and Continuity departments.

- Participated in the initial rollout of IU/IUPUI Service with Distinction program through [Human Resources Administration](#).

[Campus Recreation](#)

- Partnered with Housing and Residence Life in piloting group fitness programs in residential spaces of Ball Residence, Campus Apartments, and Park Place Apartments near the IUPUI campus.
- Increased intramural teams in 3 out of 5 intramural programs. Basketball teams increased by 4%, soccer increased by 9.5%, and volleyball increased by 19.4% from the previous fall semester.
- Increased six group fitness programs for students during the weekdays mornings and afternoons by partnering with [Physical Education and Tourism Management](#).

[CAPS](#)

- Approximately 93% of clients completing the CAPS satisfaction survey were satisfied with the services received and more than 75% reported significant improvements in the concerns that brought them to counseling.
- CAPS relocated to [Walker Plaza](#) in July 2011. This new office space provides a more comfortable and professional environment with specific space allotted to group counseling and patient education. Based on Satisfaction Survey results, students considered the office space convenient, private, professional, easy to find, clean, and well maintained.
- CAPS established a group counseling program serving nearly 60 students in the first year.
- Participated in the IU/IUPUI Service with Distinction program through [Human Resources Administration](#).

[Educational Partnerships and Student Advocacy](#)

- Division created a new unit, Educational Partnerships and Student Advocacy, and a new director of the unit was appointed in May, 2012. This unit was designed to create partnerships both on and off campus that support a holistic educational experience and empower students and their families to become engaged members of the IUPUI community by preparing them for lifelong learning.
- The Student Advocate worked with the [Faculty Academic Affairs Committee](#) to create an Emergency Withdrawal Policy with the Student Advocate as the initial point of contact for faculty.
- This year marked the inaugural three-day [JagVenture Camp](#) held at a camp in Seymour, Indiana. Forty-eight new students attended, along with 8 upper-class student camp counselors and 2 staff. In addition to participating in activities to establish a sense of community and campus pride, the students participated in breakout sessions on self-awareness, diversity, navigating the first year and learning about campus traditions.
- Approximately 360 students attended the 4th annual [Off Campus Housing Resource Fair](#) hosted by the Student Advocate. The fair provided students the opportunity to explore options for off campus housing with 29 different apartment complexes.

[Housing and Residence Life](#)

- For the first time in HRL history, HRL hosted three interns for the Association of College & University Housing Officers-International (ACUHO-I) Summer Internship program.
- HRL set all-time occupancy and leasing records with 1,752 applications compared to 1,604 for the fall 2012 semester, completely leasing Ball Residence Hall six weeks earlier than the previous year and opening the fall 2012 semester at 122% occupancy.

OSI

- The [Student Activities Programming Board](#) sponsored its first large-scale concert during Weeks of Welcome, featuring [Hellogoodbye](#) and Steel Train. Over 700 students were in attendance.
- Two more organizations joined the growing Fraternity and Sorority Life community: [Sigma Kappa Sorority](#) and [Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity](#). This year began the 8-year expansion plan for Interfraternity Council, as seven more organizations are slated to colonize over the next seven years.

Student Health Services

- In August, 2011, IUPUI Student Health opened a second location, [Campus Center Student Health \(CCSH\)](#), to serve students. CCSH staff provide acute medical care to students and health/wellness screenings and education.
- IUPUI Student Health hired a new part-time Nurse Practitioner, Amanda Snow, in January, 2012. Amanda is dedicated to student health and is focusing her attention on CCSH.
- IUPUI Student Health implemented a new fee schedule in 2011-12 which decreases the out-of-pocket costs from \$56 to \$29 (48%) to see a provider.

Awards and Appointments

- Dr. Robert W. Aaron, Director of Assessment and Planning, served as a faculty member for the [American College Personnel Association \(ACPA\) Student Affairs Assessment Institute](#) held in June 2012 at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA. He was re-elected to a three-year term on the directorate [of ACPA's Commission for Assessment and Evaluation](#).
- Dr. Robert Aaron joined the board of directors of [Handi-Capable Hands, Inc.](#)
- Tralicia Powell Lewis, Director of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct (SRRC), was the recipient of the "Who Can I Run To" award presented by the [IUPUI chapter of Student African American Sisterhood \(SAAS\)](#).
- Tralicia Powell Lewis was the recipient of the "Campus Influence" award presented by [Sigma Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.](#)
- Tralicia Powell Lewis is a member of the [Hendricks Regional YMCA](#) board of directors.
- Josh Manlove, Student Advocate, received the [IUPUI Staff Council](#) "Multicultural Impact" Award.
- Josh Manlove, Student Advocate, received the "Faculty or Staff Member of the Year" Award, presented by [IUPUI Asian Student Union](#) at the inaugural [Asian Heritage Dinner](#).
- Dr. Misty Spitler, CAPS Psychologist, was elected as President-Elect of the [Indiana Psychological Association](#) and will serve as President in 2013. Dr. Spitler attended the American Psychological Association State Leadership Conference in Washington, DC in March 2012.
- Michael Sprinkle, Assistant Director of the Campus Center, serves as Tri-Chair of Educational Programs for the [Association of College Unions International \(ACUI\) Regions 9](#) (IL/IN) Leadership Team.
- Michael Sprinkle, Assistant Director of the Campus Center, will serve on the [ACUI Education Research Fund](#) Committee through 2013.
- At the [2011 – 2012 ACUI Region 8 & 9 Conference](#), the Multimedia Production Center's student designer, Nick Jackson, received an award in the 3+ color poster category. Additionally, the Multimedia Production Center's full time staff member, Nathan Mugg, received an award for best professionally designed booklet as well as best large format design for the mural designed for IUPUI Athletics.