

**Division of Student Life**  
*Annual Report Highlights*  
2007-2008

## **Introduction**

During the 2007-2008 academic year, the work in the Division of Student Life was driven primarily by our new five-year [Strategic Plan](#), accompanied by a Communications and Marketing Plan. The Strategic Plan has three over-arching goals which are simply: 1) excellence in community-building, 2) excellence in student engagement, and 3) excellence in professional practice.

## **Best Practices**

### Campus Center

- The Campus Center opened to the IUPUI and Indianapolis communities on January 7, 2008.
- As part of the April 9, 2008 formal dedication of the Campus Center, [Dr. John N. Gardner, Executive Director of the Policy Center on the First Year of College](#), served as the keynote speaker and received an honorary degree from Indiana University.
- The development of Campus Center Phase II: Student Health & Fitness began this year.

### Campus & Community Life (CCL)

- CCL began the expansion of the [Greek Life program](#) by hiring its first ever Coordinator of Fraternity and Sorority Life, responsible for working with the existing 14 fraternity and sorority chapters.

### Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

- Approximately 98% of clients completing the CAPS satisfaction survey were satisfied with the services received.
- About 87% of clients completing the CAPS satisfaction survey reported improvement in the concerns that brought them in for services.
- Contributed to a campus wide evaluation of IUPUI's readiness for dealing with a traumatic event.

### Housing and Residence Life

- Campus housing opened at full capacity in the fall 2007 semester with approximately 1,100 students. Housing remained at a record-high 97% capacity the remainder of the year.
- The development of Campus Housing Phase II, which calls for building 2,000 more beds in campus housing, began this year.

### Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct (SRRC)

- The SRRC Office adjudicated 69 disciplinary cases pursuant to the Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct.
- SRRC coordinated several Division departments and other campus partners to develop a [Behavioral Consultation Team](#) to assist in responding to behaviors of concern on campus.

## **Teaching and Learning**

### Adaptive Educational Services

- Presented at the [Education for All conference in Warsaw, Poland at the University of Poland](#). Two presentations were given: developing a transition program for international students and services and assistive technologies in higher education.

### CCL

- Approximately 1,584 individuals participated in the 16 different [IUPUI Goes to Town Events](#) including sporting events, Broadway shows, and museum visits.
- [WOW](#) (Weeks of Welcome) 2007 spanned 3 weeks with 18 on-campus and community related events. Over 7000 students participated in these events either in a leadership role or as a participant.
- Campus & Community Life introduced over 4,000 students to campus involvement through summer new student orientation presentations.

- In the fall of 2007, CCL hosted 88 student organizations and 38 non-profit agencies with over 1,500 in attendance at the [Fall Involvement Expo](#). A [Spring Involvement Expo](#) included 30 student participating organizations and 19 non-profits with over 200 participants.

#### CAPS

- More than 730 students were seen at CAPS for more than 3,700 counseling or assessment sessions.
- More than 55% of students taking CAPS' satisfaction survey reported that receiving CAPS services helped them to remain at the University.
- Approximately 90 students were seen for crisis services due to an immediate need.
- 56 students were screened for depression or anxiety, and 35 were recommended to seek additional evaluation or treatment.

#### Campus Center

- Between January 7 and June 30, 2008, the Campus Center hosted 2,635 events. Approximately 45% of the events were sponsored by student organizations, and 55% were sponsored by Campus departments.
- The Campus Center employs approximately 50 students. Thirty of these positions are new for the 2007-2008 academic year.

#### Housing and Residence Life

- During the spring 2008 semester, 36 social and educational programs were hosted serving a total of 1,547 residents.
- During the fall 2007 semester, 34 social and educational programs were hosted serving a total of 1,355 residents.

#### SRRC

- A one-page flyer was developed entitled, "Know the Code." It describes the behavior expected of all IUPUI students. This flyer was distributed to students on campus.

### **Civic Engagement**

#### CAPS

- Staff made presentations related to mental health issues to community groups at: St. Mark's Catholic Parrish Substance Abuse Ministry on Addiction and the Family, Volunteers of America, Indiana Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Indiana Adult Educators.
- Staff made presentations to clinical trainees at University of Indianapolis, IU-Bloomington, and IUPUI Counseling/Counselor Education.

#### CCL

- Over 1,230 volunteers took part in 15 different service/civic engagement activities for a total of 10,048 service hours in the community.
- During the 2007-2008 year, the [Office of Community Service](#) coordinated over 78 volunteers on five [Alternative Spring Break](#) trips. Trips went to Frederick, MD, Maryville, TN, Waveland, MS, and Mammoth Cave, KY.
- [Service and the City](#) took 61 students on a tour of Indianapolis and then to serve at local non-profit agencies.
- CCL coordinated programming for the [Collegiate Readership Program](#), including a visit from Marcus Mabry, a *New York Times* editor. Approximately 1,000 newspapers were distributed daily across campus during the academic year.

#### Housing and Residence Life

- The Mary Cable Social Justice Center was established in the fall of 2007. It provides students living in campus housing with resources and programs to expand their understanding of diversity issues. The Center helps students broaden their awareness and understanding of social justice issues especially as they pertain to cultural, racial and ethnic diversity, locally and globally.

## Diversity

### CAPS

- Twenty-five percent of students seeking CAPS' services identified as a student of color.

### CCL

- Campus & Community Life sponsored over 90 cultural enrichment programs during the academic year, reaching 4,000 IUPUI students, faculty and staff.
- The ["To Mexico with Love"](#) program had a total of 45 students, faculty and staff, plus a nurse from Community North hospital. The group worked with a women's service agency, a school and a hospital, providing 960 person-hours of service in Mexico and served 110 children and dozens of patients at Henri Dunant Hospital and its sister Red Cross emergency service location.

### Campus and Community Programs

- January 2008, the [Black Student Union](#) hosted the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK Dinner where there was a sold out crowd of close to 850 students, faculty, staff, and community guest who heard world- renown poet and author, [Nikki Giovanni](#).

## External Awards and Appointments

### Personnel

- [Robert W. Aaron](#), Director of Assessment and Planning, was elected to the directorate of the [American College Personnel Association \(ACPA\) Commission for Assessment and Evaluation](#) (2008-2011).
- [Susan Canady](#), Associate Director of the Campus Center, and [Daniel M. Maxwell](#), Director of the Campus Center are co-chairs for the [Association of College Unions International \(ACUI\) Region 9 conference](#), to be hosted at IUPUI November 14-16, 2008.
- [Daniel M. Maxwell](#), Director of the Campus Center, is the chair for the [Association of College Unions International \(ACUI\) education and research fund](#) program team.
- [Daniel M. Maxwell](#), Director of the Campus Center, is the chair of [the 2008 Indiana Student Affairs Association conference](#), to be hosted at IUPUI on October 7.
- [Frank Ross](#), Assistant Vice Chancellor, served on the national board of directors (2006 – 2008) for the [National Association of Student Personnel Administrators \(NASPA\) Undergraduate Fellows Program](#).
- [Frank Ross](#), Assistant Vice Chancellor, served as the Chair for the [2007 National Learning Communities Conference](#) in Indianapolis, and is on the planning committee for the 2008 conference in Kansas City.
- [Frank Ross](#), Assistant Vice Chancellor, was selected as a Chair for the [National Association of Student Personnel Administrators \(NASPA\) 2009 national conference](#), to be held in Seattle.
- [Karen M. Whitney](#), Vice Chancellor for Student Life, was appointed to the executive committee for the [National Association of State and Land-Grant Colleges \(NASULGC\) Council on Student Affairs](#) (2009-2010).
- [Karen M. Whitney](#), Vice Chancellor for Student Life, served as the 2007-2008 President of the [Indiana Student Affairs Association](#).

### Programmatic

- IUPUI Democracy Plaza was the [2007 Gold Award Winner of the NASPA Excellence Award, category of "Careers, Academic Support, Service Learning, Community Service and related."](#)