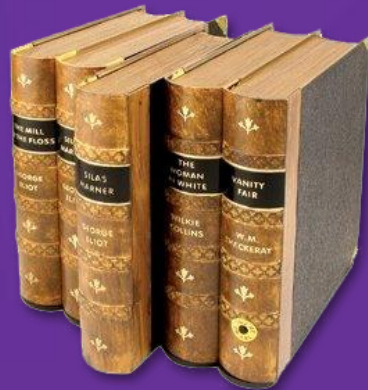


Making Things Happen in Academic Affairs



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Mission

The mission of Academic Affairs is to support the University's commitment to have a *“profound and positive impact on our changing world through the unique interaction of instruction, research, and public service as we educate and prepare a diverse student population to thrive in and contribute to our global society.”*



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Academic Units

- College of Arts and Sciences
- College of Business and Technology
- College of Education and Human Services
- College of Fine Arts and Communication
- University Libraries



Support Units

- Centennial Honors College
- Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research
- Center for International Studies
- Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs
- Office of Sponsored Projects



Support Units continued

- Office of the Registrar
- School of Extended Studies and Distance Learning
- School of Graduate Studies
- University Advising and Academic Support Center



Other Areas

- Faculty Governance
 - Faculty Senate and its councils and committees
 - Graduate Council
- Learning Enhancements
 - Assessment of Student Learning
 - First Year Experience



Academic Affairs: Facts and Figures

Colleges	4
Academic Departments	42
Bachelor Degree Programs	62
Master Degree Programs	32
Doctoral Degree Program	1
Undergraduate Majors	11,147
Graduate Majors	2,184
Undergraduate Degrees Conferred – FY07	2,455
Graduate Degrees Conferred – FY07	625

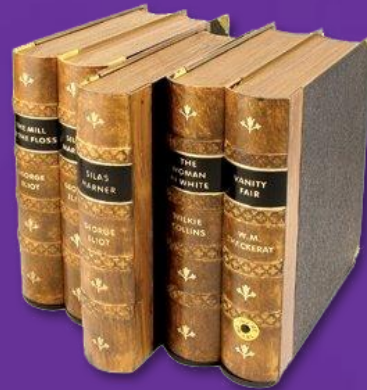


Academic Affairs: Personnel

Faculty	727
Department Chairs/Directors	39
Graduate Assistants	349
Administrative	181
Professionals	81
Staff	240



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Accomplishments 2007 - 2008



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New Undergraduate Programs

- Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- B.A. in Religious Studies
- B.S. in Nursing--RN-BSN completion
- Minor in Functional Morphology and Evolutionary Anatomy
- Minor in Survey Research Methods



New Undergraduate continued

- Minor in Scuba Diving
- Undergraduate Certificate in Fire Administration and Management
- Undergraduate Certificate in Fire Prevention Technology
- Undergraduate Concentration in Youth Development



New Undergraduate continued

- B.A. in Anthropology (pending)
- B.S. in Engineering (pending)
- B.S. in Nursing – 4 year basic (pending)



New Graduate Programs

- Master of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Environmental Studies
- M.A. in Museum Studies (pending)
- Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Instructional Design and Technology (pending)



Reaccreditation Site Visits

- Counselor Education
- Recreation, Park and Tourism Administration
- Social Work
- Theatre



Higher Learning Commission/NCA

- Preparation for 2010-2011 University reaccreditation



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WIU/UPI Agreement 2007-2011

- Ratification
- Contract implementation



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Arts and Sciences Accomplishments

- Mock Election
- New degree programs in Nursing, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Religious Studies
- 50% increase in CAS undergraduate research participation



Arts and Sciences Accomplishments continued

- Number of CAS majors increases third year in a row
- Partnership with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- African American Literature Conference



Business and Technology Accomplishments

- MBA redesign - QC
- Endowed Professorship
- Dividends Cyber Café
- First integrated
baccalaureate/master's 5-year
degrees (Accounting, Computer
Science)



Business and Technology Accomplishments continued

- Executive in Residence Series
- Quad Cities Economics Forecast Breakfast
- Engineering Technology growth in majors



Education and Human Services Accomplishments

- Emergency Management met five-year enrollment target in two years
- First Ed.D. cohort nearing completion
- Teacher Education laptop loan program



Education and Human Services Accomplishments

continued

- Special Education Grow Your Own grant
- Outreach/professional development for area teachers
- Emergent technology support and training for faculty and students



Fine Arts and Communication Accomplishments

- Broadcasting internships 2008 Olympics
- Tri States Public Radio expanded services
- M.A. in Museum Studies—QC—Figge Museum



Fine Arts and Communication Accomplishments continued

- Invited performances—University Singers, Symphonic Wind Ensemble
- Art Gallery—17 exhibitions University/region
- Communication major and minor growth in QC



University Libraries Accomplishments

- Technology Enhancements
- Music Library renovation
- Digital Commons
- Library space reconfiguration and shifted from paper to electronic access



Support Unit Accomplishments

- BOT/BA community college agreements
- Degree-seeking graduate students increase
- International Studies major development

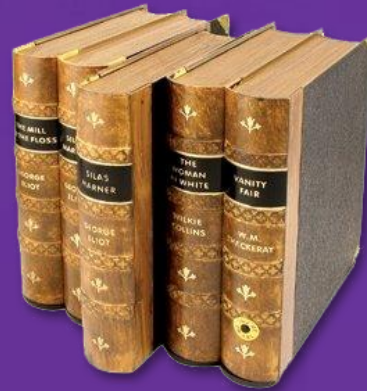


Support Unit Accomplishments continued

- Transitional Advising Program expanded
- Course-specific prerequisites enforced through STARS



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Goals 2008-2009



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Goals 2008-2009

1. Learning Enhancements
2. Diversity
3. Distance Education
4. Faculty Professional Development
5. Internationalization



Goal #1

Learning Enhancements

- Identify signature programs
- Develop new academic programs supporting University mission
- Prepare for Higher Learning Commission/NCA reaccreditation
- Retain current academic program accreditations
- Obtain new academic program accreditations



Goal #1 continued

- Increase resources for new faculty positions
- Increase resources for new graduate assistant positions
- Secure funding to support new programs
 - Liberal Arts and Sciences
 - Nursing
 - Museum Studies
 - Engineering



Goal #1 continued

- Secure funding for increased operating support
 - Centennial Honors College
 - Center for Preparation of Educational Professionals
 - Communication Sciences and Disorders
 - Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs
 - University Libraries
- Develop Life Span Institute



Goal #2

Diversity

- Recruit and hire Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs
- Recruit and hire Minority Dissertation Fellow
- Recruit and hire Minority Visiting Professor
- Recruit and hire Minority Post-Doc



Goal #3

Distance Education

- Fully develop online Board of Trustees B.A. degree program
- Increase student enrollment



Goal #4

Faculty and Professional Development

- Support and fund professional development travel



Goal #5

Internationalization

- Create an international travel fund
- Obtain approval for and implement International Studies major and curriculum
- Increase number of Study Abroad participants
- Increase international student enrollment



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Resource Requests FY 09



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Resource Requests FY09

Arts & Sciences	
Nursing Faculty-Surgical Nurse	\$75,000
Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Positions-QC (2)	\$120,000
Nursing Equipment	\$75,000
Total	\$270,000



Resource Requests FY09

Business & Technology	
Engineering Technology TT-QC	\$75,000
Increase Personnel Budget	\$100,000
Total	\$175,000



Resource Requests FY09

Education & Human Services	
LEJA TT faculty position-QC	\$60,000
LEJA TT faculty position-Macomb	\$57,000
DFMH TT faculty position-Macomb	\$57,000
Center for Preparation of Education Professionals Operating	\$28,000
Life Span Institute Development	\$27,740
Total	\$229,740



Resource Requests FY09

Fine Arts & Communication	
Museum Studies Director	\$67,000
Communication Faculty Position	\$50,000
Communication Sciences & Disorders Operating	\$8,000
Music – five 2/3 GA positions	\$35,000
Communication TA position	\$8,100
Total	\$168,100



Resource Requests FY09

University Libraries	
Associate Dean	\$40,000
Medical Librarian (25%)	\$10,000
Library Holdings – Nursing Program	\$20,000
Student Minimum Wage Increase	\$40,000
Total	\$110,000



Resource Requests FY09

Extended Studies and Distance Learning	
Instructional Budget	\$200,000
Total	\$200,000



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Resource Requests FY09

Centennial Honors College	
Instructional Payment Transfers	\$34,500
Summer Advisor	\$5,100
Associate Director	\$10,500
Operating Budget-Macomb	\$30,100
Operating Budget-QC	\$8,500
Total	\$88,700



Resource Requests FY09

Center for International Studies	
Faculty International Travel Fund	\$15,000
Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs	
Program Stability--RTAC Manager	\$30,000



Resource Requests FY09

Academic Affairs New Initiatives	
Travel Support for Faculty	\$500,000
Assistant Vice President	\$120,000
Underrepresented Minority Dissertation Fellowship	\$70,000
Underrepresented Minority Post-Doc	\$50,000
Underrepresented Minority Visiting Professor	\$80,000
External Program Reviewers	\$20,000
Total	\$840,000

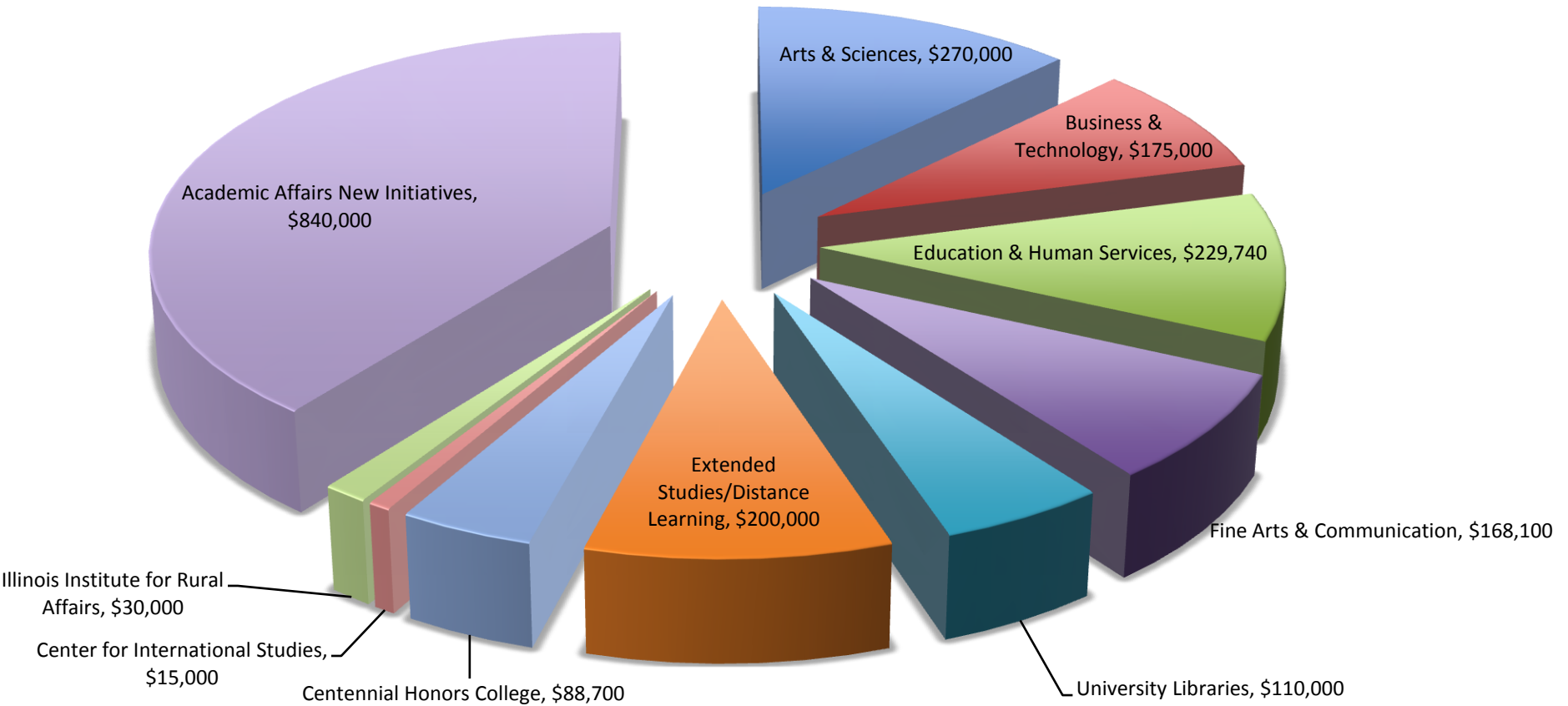


FY09 Resource Request Summary

Arts & Sciences	\$270,000
Business & Technology	\$175,000
Education & Human Services	\$229,740
Fine Arts & Communication	\$168,100
University Libraries	\$110,000
Extended Studies/Distance Learning	\$200,000
Centennial Honors College	\$88,700
Center for International Studies	\$15,000
Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs	\$30,000
Academic Affairs New Initiatives	\$840,000
Total	\$2,126,540



FY09 Resource Request



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