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[IBHE releases report on university revenues, expenditures](#)

The report of public university revenues and expenditures for fiscal 2007 has been released by IBHE. According to the report, which is required annually by Public Act 93-0229, university revenues totaled \$5.45 billion in FY07, and expenditures totaled \$5.43 billion. State appropriations constituted the largest revenue source, 24.5 percent, followed by university income funds (tuition and fees), 19.3 percent. Other highlights of the report include:

- Personal services spending is the largest object of expenditures -- \$2.89 billion, or 53.3 percent of total expenditures.
- Expenditures from all revenue sources increased \$300 million, or 5.8 percent, from FY06 to FY07. Expenditures from state appropriations and income funds rose 4.6 percent in the span; spending from non-appropriated funds grew by 6.8 percent.
- The largest overall expenditure by functional category was instructional programs, 49.2 percent of expenditures from state appropriations and income funds, 26.7 percent of spending from all revenue sources.
- Between fiscal 2003 and 2007, state appropriated funds have declined \$79.7 million, or 5.6 percent, while university income funds have grown \$362 million, or 52.6 percent. When adjusted for inflation, state appropriations have fallen \$242.2 million, or 15.3 percent, while income funds rose \$283 million, or 36.9 percent.
- State and income fund spending for personal services rose by 13.1 percent from FY03-FY07 in current dollars, and 1.5 percent in inflation-adjusted dollars. When accounting for non-appropriated funds, personal services spending went up 17.9 percent, or 5.8 percent when adjusted for inflation.

[Attorney General Lisa Madigan hosting Campus Safety Summit](#)

Attorney General Lisa Madigan will host a Campus Safety Summit on Thursday, December 13, at Northeastern Illinois University from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. The training offered at this summit is part of the Safe School Initiative, a collaboration between the U.S. Secret Service and the U.S. Department of Education. The program will focus on threat assessment.

In additional campus safety news, 36 people attended the fourth **[All-Hazard Training](#)** session at Elgin Community College on November 6. The trainings are sponsored by the Campus Security Task Force established by Governor Blagojevich after the Virginia Tech tragedy in April. The training sessions provide information about emergency planning, identifying hazards most common to college campuses, and responding to and recovering from a crisis.

UPCOMING

November

- 14** Illinois Council of Community College Administrators fall conference, Tinley Park
- 15** ICCB Leadership and Core Values Institute, Tinley Park
- 16** IBHE Faculty Advisory Council, Lake Land College
- 16** IBHE joins Northeastern Illinois University event in support of Illinois Works, Northeastern Illinois University
- 16** First Annual Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Conference, University of Chicago
- 27** All-Hazard Training, Moraine Valley Community College

December

- 1-2** IBHE Student Advisory Committee, Illinois State University
- 4** Board of Higher Education meeting, Northeastern Illinois University
- 6** La Presencia Latina - Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Conference, Rosemont
- 13** Campus Safety Summit hosted by Attorney General Madigan, Northeastern Illinois University

The next training will be held at Moraine Valley Community College on November 27, and an additional session is being planned for the Chicagoland area.

[ICCB approves recommendation on statutes governing law enforcement officers](#)

In September 2006, the ICCB established a Homeland Security and Campus Safety Research Committee. One of the charges to this committee was to review and make recommendations to update the state statutes related to college security departments in the Illinois Public Community College Act. The committee found several definitions in these statutes to be outdated and inconsistent with current standards for the operation of community college security departments. The committee has recommended that in the Board's spring legislative agenda, current statutes be amended to reflect changes suggested that will address issues of the jurisdiction, local authority, and training requirements of law enforcement officers at community colleges that the existing statutes does not. The ICCB approved this recommendation at the November 5, 2007 board meeting.

[ISAC undertakes restructuring to focus on Illinois students](#)

On November 6, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) began the process of reducing its workforce by 50 employees and eliminating 18 vacant positions to ensure a stable future for the agency in response to significant changes in the student loan industry. "ISAC is operating in a new lending environment that is more competitive than when we had an open playing field 25 years ago. These factors made it imperative for us to reduce our operating costs and continue our efforts to streamline the agency," said ISAC Executive Director Andrew Davis. "We have made a conscious choice to better serve Illinois students and exit the business of lending to non-Illinois students attending non-Illinois schools. This strategy is allowing us to achieve greater efficiencies at the agency, while increasing our outreach and borrowing to Illinois students."

[IBHE staff joins panelists at Illinois Association for Institutional Research conference](#)

The Illinois Association for Institutional Research held its annual forum in Moline on November 8 and 9. The keynote address, which offered presidents' perspectives on using institutional research to manage and plan for the future, featured Black Hawk College President Keith Miller, Augustana College President Steven Bahls and Western Illinois University President Alvin Goldfarb. Representatives of IBHE, ICCB and other agencies participated in the conference and served as panelists. Topics included developments in shared data files, the Illinois Shared Enrollment and Graduation Database, and predicting college readiness earlier in high school.

[Illinois Virtual Campus releases report on enrollment in distance learning programs](#)

The Illinois Virtual Campus released the report "Distance Education

learning enrollment between the Summer 2006 to Summer 2007 terms and an 11 percent increase in online course sections available.

[School Leader Task Force moves forward](#)

The second meeting of the School Leader Task Force was held November 5. The session included presentations from representatives of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) as well as discussion of the next steps needed to make progress on measures used to indicate improved school leader preparation. The task force was created by HJR 66 to examine strategies for improving preparation programs for school principals and district superintendents. SREB has evaluated school leader programs in several states. Its recent report, [Schools Need Good Leaders Now: State Progress in Creating a Learning-Centered School Leadership System](#), contains several recommendations for guidance to states, including: defining school leadership, being proactive in recruiting qualified people for school leadership position, modernizing preparation programs, involving aspiring principals in on-the-job training, using state licensing power to drive reform, drawing on fields outside education to recruit leaders, and making low-performing schools a top priority.

[SURS certifies FY09 pension contribution](#)

The State Universities Retirement System Board of Trustees has certified the total required state contribution to the pension system at \$450.2 million for fiscal year 2009. The certification is mandated by the Illinois Pension Code and is the amount required to keep pace with the schedule of state contributions to the pension system established by Public Act 88-593. The FY09 certified amount is \$109.9 million more than the fiscal 2008 appropriation of \$340.3 million for the pension fund. In addition, SURS has certified the projected state contribution to the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund for FY09 at \$3.9 million, or about \$824,000 less than the FY08 appropriation of \$4.7 million.

Agency News

The ICCB welcomed its new student member, **Brian Savage**, to his first Board meeting on Nov. 5. Savage is a student at Joliet Junior College and was selected by the ICCB's Student Advisory Committee as its sitting member on the Board. The student member has an advisory vote only and serves for one year. Savage also represented community college students on the General Assembly's Joint Task Force on Community Colleges in the fall of 2006.

Carrie Hightman, IBHE Chairwoman, and Board Member Addison Woodward were among the dignitaries gathered November 3 at Governors State University for the [installation of Dr. Elaine Maimon](#), the University's fifth president. Several legislators, including Sens. Debbie Halvorson, Edward Maloney, and Mattie Hunter, and Reps. Will Davis, Lisa Dugan, Kenneth Dunkin, and Renee Kosel also were on hand to honor President Maimon.

Campus News

[Illinois professor to receive Presidential Early Career Award](#)

CHAMPAIGN — Carlos Pantano, a professor of mechanical science and engineering at the University of Illinois, is among 58 young researchers named as recipients of the 2006 Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers, the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. government on young professionals at the outset of their independent research careers.

[Loyola School of Business Administration earns regional, global recognition](#)

Chicago - The Mid-Continent East region of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB) awarded Loyola University Chicago's School of Business Administration (SBA) first prize in its 2007 Innovation in Business Education Competition. The competition encourages innovation in the pursuit of excellence in business education by recognizing creative, unique programs which advance the quality of education and the management of resources. Additionally, the Aspen Institute named Loyola's SBA among the "Global 100" in its Beyond Grey Pinstripes biennial survey and alternative ranking of business schools.

[Printmaking faculty, students, alums mount exhibition in New York City](#)

DeKalb — If you can make it there, the song says, you can make it anywhere. A group of Northern Illinois University School of Art students, five of their predecessors and their two professors will chomp a bite from that big apple this weekend. "Predictions & Premonitions," an NIU-developed exhibition of printmaking that attempts to glimpse into the future, opens Saturday at the Pearl Street Gallery in New York City.

[The Chicago School names Dr. Pat Breen Vice President of Academic Affairs and taps Dina Schenk as the School's new Associate Vice President of Marketing](#)

Chicago - The Chicago School of Professional Psychology announced the promotion of a senior administrator and the addition of an associate vice president of marketing to its leadership team. Dr. Pat Breen is the school's new vice president of academic affairs. With more than 27 years of higher education experience, master's degrees in library science and business administration, and a doctorate in human and organization development, Dr. Breen has held a variety of positions in academia that range from curriculum development to dean.

News from Higher Education

[MacMurray College to inaugurate first female president](#) (St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

MacMurray College in Jacksonville, Ill., will inaugurate its first female president this weekend.

[Southern Regional Education Board Faults University Programs That Prepare School Principals](#) (Chronicle of Higher Education)

State governments, universities, and local school districts need to be doing much more in tandem to improve the programs that train school principals, according to a report set for release today by the Southern Regional Education Board.

[Now settled, Perry looks to the future](#) (Journal Gazette & Times-Courier)

CHARLESTON — Having spent a few months getting settled in at Eastern Illinois University, President William Perry is taking time to look at the university's past and its future. Of Eastern's past, Perry said it has a tradition of excellence, values personal relationships and creates opportunities, and these are the types of values the school will be taking into the future.

[Peterson to be next SCC president](#) (The Southern Illinoisan)

ULLIN - Larry E. Peterson will be the sixth president of Shawnee Community College, the board of trustees decided Monday night.

[ECC's Knapp singled out for honors](#) (Courier News)

Virginia Knapp, director of corporate training for Elgin Community College, has been named 2007 Illinois Community College Economic Workforce Development professional of the year.

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