THE PATH FORWARD PROMISING STATE STRATEGIES

Illinois



ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS

- Structure
- Membership
- Tradition of an Annual Fall Conference
- Tradition of State Legislative Panels
- Tradition of Campus Location
- 2007 Fall Conference CGS Graduate Education & American Competitiveness
- 2008 Fall Conference CGS Graduate Education & The Public Good
- The 2010 Fall Summit CGS The Path Forward: The Future of Graduate Education in the U. S.

STRUCTURE OF THE ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD

- Video Introduction: James Wimbush, Dean, Indiana University Bloomington
- The Video
- Legislative Panel
- Business & Industry Panel
- Networking Lunch
- University Leaders Panel
- Concluding Remarks
- Videotaped
- Proceedings to Follow



ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD: *THE LEGISLATIVE TEAM*

- Lauren Myerscough-Mueller
 - Legislative Correspondent for Senator Durbin
- Ben Brockschmidt
 - Legislative Assistant for Congressman Johnson
- Patty McAllister
 - Vice President for Government Relations and External Affairs Council of Graduate Schools



ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD: *THE LEGISLATIVE TEAM*

- Value of the University Legislative VP
- Value of Earlier Hill Visits & Contacts
- Value of Hill Visits Specific to the Summit
- Value of Constituent Links in the Region
 - Congressman Lipinski, Chicago
 - Congressman Costello, Southern Illinois
 - Congresswoman Biggert, Chicago
- Preparation
 - Visits, Calls, Web Links, Letters



ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD: *THE BUSINESS* & *INDUSTRY TEAM*

- Mary Crego
 - Senior Vice President State Farm Insurance Bloomington
 - Chair Illinois Chamber of Commerce
- Art Paton
 - Director of the Motorola Knowledge Community Resource Office and Global Engineering Manager
- Steve Shirar
 - Senior Vice President Consolidated Communications Mattoon
 - Member Illinois Chamber of Commerce
- Christopher Tingley
 - President & Partner Tingley Insurance
 - Member Illinois Chamber of Commerce

ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD: *THE BUSINESS* & *INDUSTRY TEAM*

- Value of the Local Chamber of Commerce
- Value of the State Chamber of Commerce
- Value of the University Business Center
- Value of University Partnerships
- Preparation
 - Calls, Web Links, Letters



ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD: *THE UNIVERSITY LEADERS TEAM*

- Rita Cheng
 - Chancellor Southern Illinois University Carbondale
- Simon Greenwold
 - VP for Research & Graduate Dean Northwestern University
- Martina Munsters
 - Deputy Dean of Students University of Chicago
- Kimberly Nance
 - Graduate Director Illinois State University
- William Perry
 - President Eastern Illinois University
- Stephany Schlachter
 - Provost Lewis University
- Richard Wheeler
 - Provost University Illinois Champaign/Urbana

ILLINOIS SUMMIT ON THE PATH FORWARD: *THE UNIVERSITY LEADERS TEAM*

- Value of Key Universities
- Value of Breadth of Representation
- Value of Seasoned Colleagues
- Value of Multiple Administrative Levels
- Preparation
 - Campus Invitations, Web Links, Letters



LEGISLATIVE PERSPECTIVES

- Supported the PF Recommendations
 - Funding for new initiatives
 - Funding for existing programs
 - Improvements/changes in visa process
- Identification of Past Support
- Willingness to Promote Support for Areas Outlined in the Report
- Willingness to work on the Hill for Support



BUSINESS & INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES

- Supported the Path Forward Recommendations: Collaborate with Universities
 - Partnerships for financial support
 - Partnerships for underrepresented participation
 - Skills for future jobs
- Affirmed importance of an educated workforce
- Identified the importance of fine arts & humanities
- Affirmed how their companies currently support and promote graduate education
- Affirmed they value strengthening university collaborations

UNIVERSITY LEADERS PERSPECTIVES

- Confirmed the Support for The Path Forward Recommendations
 - Completion rates
 - Master's rigor
 - Non academic pathways
- Impressive summary of support programs to foster degree completion
- Difficulties with the culture of non-academic pathways—extremely difficult to change
- Critical importance of rigor

CHALLENGES POST SUMMIT

- IAGS Fiscal Health
- Many New Illinois Deans
- Publish Proceedings
- Connection to Key Universities
- Follow-up with Panelists
- Follow-up Campus Summits
- Linkage to Fall 2011 Summit



ILLINOIS INSTITUTIONS COMPLETING OR PLANNING CAMPUS SUMMITS

- NIU: Imbedded Path Forward in the Strategic Planning for the University
- Lewis University: Summit on Campus in April 2011



SUMMITS ON THE PATH FORWARD AT EIU

- Existing Structure
- 4 Separate Summits September 2010
- Focus on Each College
- Video Preview Prior to Summits
 - Deans Council
 - Council on Graduate Studies
 - Graduate School Development Board
- Summit Presenters
- Summit Attendees



EIU SUMMIT AGENDA

- College's Current Pathway
 - Metrics on Enrollment and Matriculation
 - Quality Achievements and Failures
- The Path Forward Video & Discussion
 - College's Potential New Pathways
 - College's Initiatives Toward 2015
- Graduate School Initiatives
 - New Pathways Toward 2015
- Spring 2011 Follow Up



GRADUATE SCHOOL INITIATIVES TOWARD 2015 BASED ON PATH FORWARD

- Continue to Promote EIU First Choice Reviews
- Enrollment Quality & Diversity Board
- Professional Science Master's Board
- Hamand Society Board
- Ranes Exemplary Mentoring Program
- New Metrics Program
- Spring 2011 Business/Industry Partnerships Summit



GRADUATE DEAN/COLLEGE DEAN COLLABORATIONS

- College of Sciences
 - Sunset MS in Math & Build the PSM Programs
 - Preparation for Clinical Doctorates
- College of Education & Professional Studies
 - Overhaul of Administration/Leadership Degree
 - Infuse Research into 3 Key Programs
- College of Arts & Humanities
 - Commit to Advances in Fine Arts Programs
- College of Business & Applied Sciences
 - No Current Initiatives

