Welcome to UIC

The University Mission

UIC provides the broadest access to the highest levels of intellectual excellence. UIC’s mission is:

- To create knowledge that transforms our views of the world and, through sharing and application, transforms the world.
- To provide a wide range of students with the educational opportunity only a leading research university can offer.
- To address the challenges and opportunities facing not only Chicago but all Great Cities of the 21st century, as expressed by our Great Cities Commitment.
- To foster scholarship and practices that reflects and responds to the increasing diversity of the U.S. in a rapidly globalizing world.
- To train professionals in a wide range of public service disciplines serving Illinois as the principal educator of health science professionals and as a major healthcare provider to underserved communities.

History and Overview

The University of Illinois at Chicago is the largest institution of higher education in the Chicago area with over 27,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students. Through its 15 colleges and professional schools, UIC offers 82 undergraduate, 93 master’s, and 66 doctoral programs in architecture, art, applied health sciences, business administration, dentistry, education, engineering, humanities, mathematics, medicine, movement sciences, nursing, performing arts, pharmacy, public administration, public health, sciences, social sciences, social work, and urban planning. The University’s programs are enhanced by a variety of research centers and institutes that cover areas such as community improvement, developmental disabilities, energy, gerontology, robotics, urban economic development, and urban transportation. UIC consistently ranks among the top 50 out of more than 637 national universities in federal research funding.

In 1946, an undergraduate division of the University of Illinois was established at Navy Pier. This facility, renamed the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, moved to its present location in 1965, when it opened its doors as a four-year university. By 1982, it had grown to include eight academic colleges offering degree programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

In the fall of 1982, the University of Illinois at Chicago was formed by the consolidation of the two Chicago campuses (formerly known as the University of Illinois at the Medical Center and the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle) into a single institution of higher learning. The University’s facilities for medical instruction date back to 1894, when the Chicago College of Pharmacy became the School of Pharmacy of the University of Illinois. In 1897, the independent College of Physicians and Surgeons of Chicago became the “Department of Medicine” of the University; in 1901, the Columbian Dental College became the University School of Dentistry; and in 1925 the University Hospital opened. Programs in nursing education under University auspices began in the 1940s, becoming the School of Nursing in 1951 and, in 1959, the College of Nursing. Other health sciences units of the University of Illinois at Chicago include the College of Applied Health Sciences, the School of Public Health, and over 50 clinics and research facilities. A new $60 million University of Illinois Hospital was completed in 1981.

To learn about UIC’s leadership and role as one of three campuses of the University of Illinois, please consult the following web pages: Chancellor and Leadership http://www.uic.edu/uic/about/leadership/index.shtml and the University of Illinois website http://www.uillinois.edu/.

Accreditation

The University of Illinois at Chicago is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, Illinois 60604-1413, (800) 621-7440, http://www.higherlearningcommission.org. The Higher Learning Commission is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). In 2007, HLC voted to continue accreditation of UIC for the maximum period of 10 years. The next comprehensive evaluation of UIC is scheduled for 2016-2017. Verification of accreditation status is available in the Office of the Chancellor (312) 413-3350.

The graduate academic degree programs described in this catalog have been approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education, 431 East Adams, Second Floor, Springfield, Illinois 62701-1404, (217) 782-2551, (888) 261-2881 (TTY), General Information: info@ibhe.org, Institutional Complaint Hotline: (217) 557-7359, http://www.ibhe.state.il.us.

In addition to institutional accreditation, certain individual programs are accredited by the following organizations:

College of Applied Health Sciences

Biomedical Visualization (MS)
Commission on the Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
1361 Park Street
Clearwater, FL 33756
(727) 210-2350
http://www.caahep.org

Health Informatics (MS)
Commission on the Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management (CAHIIM)
233 North Michigan Avenue, 21st Floor
Chicago, IL 60601-5800
Email: info@cahiim.org
http://www.cahiim.org

Nutrition - Coordinated Program (MS)
Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)
Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000
Chicago, IL 60606-6995
(800) 877-1600
(312) 899-0400
http://www.eatright.org/ACEND

Occupational Therapy—Professional (MS)
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy (ACOTE)
The American Occupational Therapy Association, Inc.
4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200
Bethesda, MD 20814-3449
(301) 652-6611
(800) 377-8555 (TDD)
http://www.acoteonline.org

Doctor of Physical Therapy Program is accredited by
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)
1111 North Fairfax Street
Alexandria, VA 22314-1488
(703) 706-3245
Email: accreditation@apta.org
http://www.capteonline.org

College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts
Architecture (MArch)
National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)
1735 New York Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20006
(202) 783-2007
Email: info@naab.org
http://www.naab.org

College of Business Administration
Accounting (MS)
Business Administration (MBA)
Business Administration (PhD)
Finance (MS)
Management Information Systems (MS)
Management Information Systems (PhD)
Real Estate (MA)
AACSBI International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSBI)
777 South Harbour Island Boulevard, Suite 750
Tampa, FL 33602
(813) 769-6500
http://www.aacsb.edu

College of Dentistry
Dental Medicine (DMD) (formerly: Dental Surgery (DDS))
Commission on Dental Association (CODA)
American Dental Association
211 East Chicago Avenue, Suite 1900
Chicago, IL 60611-2678
(312) 440-4653
Email: accreditation@ada.org
http://www.ada.org

College of Education
Education-Urban Education Leadership (EdD)
Instructional Leadership (MEd)
Special Education (MEd)
Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE)
100 North 1st Street
Springfield, IL 62777
(866) 282-6663
(217) 782-4321
http://www.isbe.state.il.us
Note: The ISBE approves programs for licensure.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Psychology (PhD)
American Psychological Association
750 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20002-4242

(800) 374-2721
(202) 336-5500
(202) 336-6123 (TDD/TTY)
http://www.apa.org

College of Medicine
Medicine (MD)
Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges and the American Medical Association
Association of American Medical Colleges
2450 N Street NW
Washington, DC 20037
(202) 828-0596
And
American Medical Association
515 North State Street
Chicago, IL 60654
(312) 464-4933
http://www.lcme.org

College of Nursing
Nursing Science (MS)
Nursing Practice (DNP)
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
American Association of Colleges of Nursing
One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 463-6930
http://www.aacn.nche.edu/accreditation

College of Pharmacy
Pharmacy (PharmD: Doctor of Pharmacy)
Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)
135 South LaSalle Street, Suite 4100
Chicago, IL 60603-4810
(312) 664-3575
http://www.acpe-accredit.org

School of Public Health (SPH)
Public Health (DrPH)
Public Health (MPH)
Public Health (MS)
Public Health (PhD)
Public Health (MS-MD)
Healthcare Administration (MHA)
The Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)
800 Eye Street, NW, Suite 202
Washington, DC 20001-3710
(202) 789-1050
http://www.ceph.org

Healthcare Administration (MHA)
Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education
1700 Rockville Pike, Suite 400
Rockville, MD 20852
(313) 998-6101
http://www.ceph.org

Public Health—Industrial Hygiene (MS, MPH)
Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc.
111 Market Place, Suite 1050
Jane Addams College of Social Work

Master of Social Work (MSW)
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
1701 Duke Street, Suite 200
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 683-8080
Email: info@cswe.org
http://www.cswe.org

College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs

Public Administration (MPA)
Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA)
1029 Vermont Avenue NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005-3517
(202) 628-8965
http://www.naspaa.org

Urban Planning and Policy (MUPP)
Planning Accreditation Board (PAB)
2334 West Laurence Avenue, Suite 209
Chicago, IL 60625
(773) 334-7200
http://www.planningaccreditationboard.org