Library AP Update, May 2020

*L-CAP sends out monthly updates of their activities and other relevant information.*

*Have an announcement or topic suggestion for the next L-CAP Update? Send it to lcap@library.illinois.edu.*

**Announcements**

**Investigation Time Survey**

L-CAP will be sending out a brief online survey on AP investigation time in early June. Please watch for the email and take the survey.

**News from the Council of Academic Professionals**

**Notes from the April CAP meeting with Chancellor Robert Jones:** Chancellor Jones thanked everyone for their continued efforts to reimagine their valuable contributions to this institution. Emphasis on the fact this crisis is something we are going through not going to. Jones highlighted the strength of our emergency planning that enabled the University to transition almost all activities to alternative, virtual format in short notice. The chancellor provided updates on the status of the student body - stated that only about 500 remain on campus in consolidated student housing of two residence halls, still allowing for each student to have their own bedroom and bathroom. The goal of the university is to protect individuals and ensure the continuation of academic activities. In addition, he mentioned that administration worked to ensure continued pay for various terms of employment.

*How to maintain work-life balance while working from home?*

Still have all of the mental health services available to the community. Ramped up and partnered with the local community to provide additional online mental health services. Encourage employees to seek those opportunities.

*How is the Chancellor doing?*

Stated that his effort is team-based and tipped his hat to his executive staff. First week was extremely exhausting but able to take walks during lunch with his wife.

*Will Illini Fest still happen (currently slated for mid-July)?*

Can't say at this point. Decided to cancel all events through the beginning of July. Suspects that it might need to be delayed.

*Do you expect some of the working from home permissions will be allowed in future years?*

It's probably naïve to assume we will go back to business as usual. This pandemic shows an opportunity for us to rethink a lot of our operations as to what we do face to face and with paper. There will be options for us to rethink our operational aspects.

*Will we still be able to hire in the summer and fall semester? How does the current situation affect our ability to attract and retain staff?*

The stay in place order does put into question the ability of us to properly on-board staff. At this juncture admin is looking at the impact this is making on the process, but this is still a point everyone is trying to navigate. Just watch your mass emails.

*Do you have any recommendations to share with departments regarding planning events for the fall semester?*

Suggest that you continue to prepare your plans for the fall semester. Continue to plan that we will be back face to face, but also prepare for delays.

*What kind of services is the university offering at the time of Covid-19 to international students? What type of outreach and support are we offering at the moment?*
A good percentage of the 500 who are still on campus are international students. Looking to ensure that a maximum amount of these students return after this crisis.

- **Next Meeting May 7 1:15-3:15PM**
  All APs are welcome to attend
  
  Join Skype Meeting  Trouble Joining? **Try Skype Web App**  Or Join by phone
  
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  Conference ID: 30726827

- **Call for Self-Nominations for Academic Professional Elections**
  
  District 9 CAP representative (3-year term)
  Senator on Academic Senate (1-year term)
  Representative on an Academic Senate Committee (2-year term)
  Representative to the **Joint Advisory Committee on Investment, Licensing and Naming Rights** (3-year term)

  More info and nomination forms at [https://emails.illinois.edu/newsletter/8904933.html](https://emails.illinois.edu/newsletter/8904933.html)

- **Have questions? Contact our CAP representative, Will Schlaack, schlaac2@illinois.edu**

**L-CAP Committee Report**

- L-CAP’s next monthly meeting will be Friday, May 22.
- Meeting minutes, newsletters, and other resources are available on the **L-CAP webpage**.
- Please send us your questions and comments, either via the **online form** (no login required, anonymous submissions are fine), by email to lcap@library.illinois.edu, or by reaching out to any L-CAP member.

**AP Resources Page**

A quick place to [find information](#) about AP-specific resources, benefits, and opportunities.

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