

Great Cities Commitment Programs at UIC

Business and Entrepreneurial Development

Building Non-Profit Capacity in North Lawndale

Description: A survey of nonprofit providers in the North Lawndale Community, coupled with training in grantwriting and technology planning.

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Urban Planning and Public Affairs

Contacts: **Perry, David**

Director, Great Cities Institute

Phone: 312.355.3926

Email: dperry@uic.edu

Partners: Richard G. and Carole J. Cline Foundation
Steans Family Foundation

Business Development Assistance Database

Description: Creation of a database containing business, real estate, and demographic information for use in identifying new market opportunities in the Englewood neighborhood.

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development
Neighborhood revitalization

UIC Partners: Urban Planning and Public Affairs

Contacts: **Theodore, Nik**

Director, Center for Urban Economic Development

Phone: 312.355.1340

Email: theodore@uic.edu

Partners: New Englewood Village Collaborative (NEVCorp)
United States Department of Commerce

Center for Governmental Accounting Research and Education

Description: CGARE's mission is to promote and conduct research and educational programs aimed at increasing the accountability of public institutions. The center offers an annual symposium series, serves as the editorial office for Research in Governmental and Nonprofit Accounting, hosts international visitors, and conducts sponsored research in areas of faculty expertise. It also offers continuing education programs, professional seminars, and workshops.

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development
Urban infrastructure improvement

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **Lenway, Stefanie**

Dean, College of Business Administration

Phone: 312.996.2671

Email: slenway@uic.edu

Partners:

Center for Pharmacoeconomic Research

Description: The mission of the CPR is to promote and facilitate advancement in understanding of the clinical, humanistic, and economic impact of pharmaceutical products, contemporary pharmacy services, and medication use policy, with respect to the health and safety of patients, organizations and society. The efforts of the CPR fall into four categories: research, education and training, service, and entrepreneurship.

Dates active: 2001 -- present

Category: Health and wellness
Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Pharmacy

Contacts: **Schumock, Glen**

Director, Center for Pharmacoeconomic Research

Phone: 312.996.7961 **Email:** schumock@uic.edu

Partners: Abbott Laboratories

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

Sanofi-Aventis

Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Ltd.

United States Department of Health and Human Services

Bureau of Primary Health Care

Walgreen Company

Center for Urban Business (CUB)

Description: CUB provides clients with the support and resources essential for them to start and grow their enterprises. This support has included training, consulting services, mentoring programs and connecting them with resources to generate contracts and financing. UIC student consultant teams assist business with a wide array of issues and conduct in-depth analyses of business settings in order to make recommendations for future growth.

Dates active: 1993 -- Present

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development
Undergraduate support

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **Curry, Freida**

Director, Center for Urban Business

Phone: 312.413.8130 **Email:** freidac@uic.edu

Partners: Accion Chicago

Chicago Community Ventures

Chicagoland Entrepreneurial Center

Franchise Partnership, The

FranNet - The Franchise Connection

Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Industrial Council of Nearwest Chicago (ICNC)

Little Village Chamber of Commerce (LVCC)

Women's Business Development Center (WBDC)

Center for Urban Real Estate

Description: CURE produces academic research of high quality on the real estate markets of metropolitan Chicago and related topics, and provides contract research services for clients in the real estate field.

Dates active: August 1996 -- present

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development
Partnering with industry

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **McMillen, Daniel**

Director, Center for Urban Real Estate

Phone: 312.413.2100

Email: mcmillen@uic.edu

Partners:

Certificate in Business Administration Program

Description: Institute For Entrepreneurial Studies sponsors a program for entrepreneurs who are already operating companies. This is a concentrated, intense, and practical program, which meets Friday and Saturday, twice a month, for almost 6 months. It serves firms experiencing "growing pains" and has received national awards. This is a practical program containing classroom, on-site, and on-line components to deliver a proven Strategic Management methodology for your company. The program is conducted through our partners at the Center for Enterprise Development (CED).

Dates active: 1985 -- present

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **Hills, Gerald**

Director, Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies

Phone: 312.996.9130

Email: gehills@uic.edu

Partners: Center for Enterprise Development

Chicago Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame

Description: EHF recognizes the innovators and leaders in the Chicago area who serve as role models for UIC students. It builds relationships among the University and top entrepreneurial business owners by providing recognition, networking, publicity, and other support.

Each year distinguished entrepreneurs who have demonstrated entrepreneurial talent by founding and/or growing a business in the Chicago area are inducted. By highlighting outstanding entrepreneurs, we recognize excellence and encourage business leaders, students, and government officials to honor the entrepreneurial spirit.

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **Hills, Gerald**

Director, Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies

Phone: 312.996.9130

Email: gehills@uic.edu

Partners: Grant Thornton LLP

LaSalle Bank Corporation

Levy Venture Management

Chicago Technology Park

Description: Located on 56 acres within the Illinois Medical District (IMD), the Chicago Technology Park (CTP) serves as an incubator facility for technology companies in early development as well as an expansion facility for those companies that are growing their operations. Such companies include those in drug discovery and delivery, medical devices and testing, genomics, nanotechnology and others who collaborate with our premier medical facilities for research and design.

The mission of the CTP, to assist in the growth of companies, is accomplished by supplying fully equipped infrastructure, university resources, internship programs and custom designed business development services.

Dates active: 1985 -- present

Category: Biotechnology
Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners:

Contacts:

Partners:

Developing a Senior Care Pharmacy Practice

Description: Students under the direction of Glen Schumock, PharmD, MBA, and Joan Stubbings, RPh, MCHA, prepared an exceptionally innovative and comprehensive business plan that described a hypothetical pharmacy service for an elderly residential facility as a required course assignment. The project was brought to the attention of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists and the business plan is now included in the ASCP publication "Developing a Senior Care Pharmacy Practice: Your Guide and Tools for Success," where it is described as a resource kit for senior care pharmacy services.

Dates active: 2005

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Pharmacy

Contacts: **Sagraves, Rosalie**

Dean and Professor, College of Pharmacy

Phone: 312.996.2497

Email: sagraves@uic.edu

Partners: American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP)

Family Business Council

Description: Mission is to strengthen and support the development and growth of entrepreneurial families and small businesses in Chicago. Facilitates peer group meetings in which business leaders confidentially discuss best practices, experiences, and the issues inherent in family-owned businesses. Council members serve as guest lecturers to share their experiences and case studies with UIC students.

Dates active: 1992 -- present

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development
Undergraduate support

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **Lenway, Stefanie**

Dean, College of Business Administration

Phone: 312.996.2671

Email: slenway@uic.edu

Partners: Blackman Kallick Bartelstein, LLP

JPMorgan Chase & Co.

MassMutual Financial Group

Sachnoff & Weaver, Ltd.

Financial Management for Single Family Housing

Description: Financial course for single family housing developers. The course covers LIHTC calculations, creating development budgets, building pro formas, and policy and politics of funding.

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Urban Planning and Public Affairs

Contacts: **Perry, David**

Director, Great Cities Institute

Phone: 312.355.3926

Email: dperry@uic.edu

Partners: Statewide Housing Action Coalition

Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies

Description: The mission of IES is to expand awareness and knowledge among students, entrepreneurs, professionals, and academics regarding new venture opportunities, methods for creating and growing enterprises, and the role of entrepreneurship and new/smaller firms in economic development and the world economy. By combining academic excellence with practical research, IES is striving to become the premier entrepreneurial research and professional institute in the world.

Dates active: 1982 -- present

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Business Administration

Contacts: **Hills, Gerald**

Director, Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies

Phone: 312.996.9130

Email: gehills@uic.edu

Partners:

North Avenue Street Beautification Plan

Description: The City Design Center provided technical and design assistance to the Humboldt Park Economic Development Corporation in developing a strategic plan and design recommendations to revitalize the North Avenue commercial corridor. Through participatory community workshops, the CDC worked with area residents to develop design strategies that included enhancing pedestrian safety, developing green spaces and attractive streetscape features, and creating a neighborhood identity to support revitalization and future growth.

Dates active: 2002

Category: Neighborhood revitalization
Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Architecture and the Arts

Contacts: **Feldman, Roberta**

Co-Director, City Design Center

Phone: 312.996.3511

Email: rmf@uic.edu

Ryan, Brent

Phone: 312.996.4953

Email: bdr@uic.edu

Partners: Humboldt Park Economic Development Corporation

West Town Leadership United

Online Certificate in Nonprofit Management

Description: Series of six online courses that help nonprofit managers strengthen their skills in the areas of strategic management, operations management, financial management, nonprofit governance, marketing management, and fundraising management.

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Urban Planning and Public Affairs

Contacts: **Perry, David**

Director, Great Cities Institute

Phone: 312.355.3926

Email: dperry@uic.edu

Partners: Steans Family Foundation

Pulaski Streetscape Research and Design Assistance

Description: The HICA Corporation of North Lawndale requested the assistance of the City Design Center to develop urban design strategies for revitalizing a four-block section of Pulaski Avenue between Fifth Avenue and Taylor Street. After consulting with local community leaders and business owners, the CDC team proposed an alternative approach: instead of developing strategies for the entire four-block corridor, a node along the north end of the corridor should be developed to create a magnet for future development.

Dates active: 2002

Category: Neighborhood revitalization
Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Architecture and the Arts

Contacts: **Feldman, Roberta**

Co-Director, City Design Center

Phone: 312.996.3511

Email: rmf@uic.edu

Ryan, Brent

Phone: 312.996.4953

Email: bdr@uic.edu

Partners: Chicago Department of Planning and Development

Neighborhood Division

HICA Corporation of North Lawndale

Pulaski Eisenhower Arthington Commercial Enterprise (PEACE)

Rogers Park Comprehensive Retail Plan--Urban Business Districts Program

Description: This participatory planning project identified feasible strategies to revitalize two commercial corridors in the Rogers Park neighborhood of Chicago. Over the course of a year the City Design Center held community meetings, conducted surveys and gathered data about the retail districts. The City Design Center's final plan outlined priority areas for intervention and a practical approach to improving the appearance of the district and attracting new stores.

Dates active: 2004 -- 2005

Category: Neighborhood revitalization
Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Architecture and the Arts

Contacts: **Ryan, Brent**

Co-Director, City Design Center

Phone: 312.996.4953

Email: bdr@uic.edu

Partners: DevCorp North

Special Orientation for Executive MBA Program (EMBA)

Description: Assists in welcoming participants in the UIC EMBA program to increase awareness of immigration issues that may affect their stay. (EMBA students come from China and Taiwan for an intensive one-year program.)

Dates active:

Category: Business and entrepreneurial development
International collaborations

UIC Partners: Student Affairs, Vice Chancellor for

Contacts: **Henley, Barbara**

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Phone: 312.996.7654

Email: bhenley@uic.edu

Partners: Beijing Foreign Enterprises Service Group Co., Ltd.

Shanghai Foreign Service Company (SFSC)

Village of Worth Comprehensive Retail Plan--Urban Business Districts Program

Description: In 2003 the Village of Worth was selected as the first municipal partner in the City Design Center's Urban Business Districts Program. This project was conducted in conjunction with a graduate studio class in urban planning and produced practical recommendations to assist the village in redeveloping a "main street" district in the community.

Dates active: 2003 -- 2004

Category: Neighborhood revitalization
Business and entrepreneurial development

UIC Partners: Architecture and the Arts

Contacts: **Ryan, Brent**

Co-Director, City Design Center

Phone: 312.996.4953

Email: bdr@uic.edu

Partners: Village of Worth, Illinois