

Chancellor's Message

As the Chicago area's largest university, UIC has a unique opportunity to contribute to the well-being of urban life. UIC's metropolitan engagement is embodied in the Great Cities Commitment, which implements hundreds of teaching, research and service programs through every one of the campus's 15 colleges. Founded in 1993, the Great Cities Commitment is a hallmark of UIC.

Great Cities transforms the traditional university concept of public service into a vital engagement with UIC's neighbors and the greater metropolis. Through partnerships with civic, community, corporate, government and philanthropic organizations, UIC engages its wealth of research capacity and human creativity to address the challenges facing great cities globally and to enhance the quality of urban life.

I invite you to read about the more than 400 programs that embody UIC's commitment to great cities worldwide.

Sincerely,



Sylvia Manning
Chancellor

"The mission of urban engagement means that we won't simply have traditional academic partners all the time. We will look for neighborhood, corporate and government partners to not only serve their needs but also to help us provide new knowledge."

– David Perry, associate chancellor for the Great Cities Commitment