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Deans, Directors, Department Heads and Chairs

Dear Colleagues:

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual UIC Daughters @ Work Day, coordinated by the Office of Women's Affairs, will be held on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Modeled after the national *Take Our Daughters To Work Day*, founded more than a decade ago by the Ms. Foundation, the event was designed to help combat the dramatic decrease in career aspirations and self esteem that frequently occurs in girls ages 9 to 15. The goals of UIC Daughters @ Work Day are to provide the girls with positive work role models, expose the girls to the variety of career possibilities available to them, and showcase UIC as a place they might consider choosing to pursue their educational or career aspirations.

Activities for the day include registration, refreshments, a dramatic presentation of African explorer Mary Kingsley, interactive workplace tours, and time to observe their host parent, friend, or relative at work. Check-in the day of the event starts at 8:15 a.m. at the Illinois Room of the Chicago Circle Center and the program ends at 11:30 a.m. when the sponsors pick-up their guests at the East Concourse (Halsted Street side) of the Chicago Circle Center to observe them at work. **Pre-registration is required and the deadline is Friday, April 16.** As a result of this event's popularity, interested girls have been turned away due to space limitations. Early registration is encouraged. For further information, please refer to the UIC Daughters @ Work Day flyer or visit the Office of Women's Affairs website at: [www.uic.edu/depts/owa](http://www.uic.edu/depts/owa). For further information on new objectives for the national program (to help boys and girls voice their dreams about having both careers and family life) and to explore the feasibility of expanding next year's program to incorporate those objectives into a UIC program, please e-mail Associate Chancellor Patricia Gill at [pagill@uic.edu](mailto:pagill@uic.edu).

Your support of this event sends a clear message that UIC invests in the future development of girls who may some day become part of our future work force. UIC Daughters @ Work Day is an event that I support and encourage. I ask your cooperation in allowing members of your staff to participate in this event.

Sincerely,



Sylvia Manning  
Chancellor

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