

## (Mentoring Committee continued)

- ◆ Meeting throughout the year to plan mentor/mentee socials
- ◆ Volunteering at mentoring events, assisting with set-up, registration, activities and/or clean up
- ◆ Recruiting Senior Professionals to be mentors
- ◆ Working with students to develop program ideas
- ◆ Selecting Charles Bolen Award winners. These annual financial awards, given to three mentees (\$1,000 each), were named in honor of the organization's founder and retired Dean of the College of Fine Arts, Charles Bolen.

## University Relations Committee

Serves as a liaison between ISU and Senior Professionals

They encourage faculty and administration to take advantage of Senior Professionals' experiences, abilities and availability by:

- ◆ Sharing knowledge with students
- ◆ Developing and supporting programs that work with students
- ◆ Interacting with Career Services, the Athletic Department and Student Affairs
- ◆ Working at career fairs
- ◆ Conducting mock interviews for student athletes
- ◆ Participating in Welcome Week (new student orientation)
- ◆ Providing monetary awards for civic engagement projects

## Join today!

Download a membership information form at:

<http://seniorprofessionals.illinoisstate.edu/membership/>

and mail with a \$125 check made payable to ISU Foundation to:

ISU Senior Professionals  
Campus Box 8610  
Normal, IL 61790-8610

or drop off at the Alumni Center, 1101 N Main St, Normal.

**For more information**, contact Senior Professionals Coordinator Laura Kowalczyk at (309) 438-2818 or [lakowa2@ilstu.edu](mailto:lakowa2@ilstu.edu).

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## JOIN SENIOR PROFESSIONALS!

Senior Professionals is an organization open to persons of retirement age, who come from all backgrounds. *No prior affiliation with Illinois State University required.*

The group's mission is to interact with University faculty, staff and students as resources and to provide life-long learning adult enrichment classes for the community.

### Benefit from:

- ◆ Creative learning experiences, cultural enrichment and social interaction
- ◆ Special events and unique programming for members
- ◆ Serving as valuable resources at various academic functions at Illinois State, sharing experiences, skills and knowledge to enhance student learning outside of the classroom.
- ◆ Discounted pricing for Mornings with the Professors, Academy of Seniors and Classroom Journey bus trips. Classes are geared toward enriching the lives of attendees, utilizing the expertise of university professors and community leaders to provide life-long learning experiences.

**Senior Professionals select their level of involvement**, with opportunities to get involved in a variety of ways, including mentoring students, conducting mock interviews, working job fairs, planning life-long learning programs and organizing special events.



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## Additional Benefits For Senior Professionals:

Senior Professional members are eligible for an Illinois State Redbird photo ID card, which provides members with faculty/staff privileges.

As part of the ISU community, members are allowed access to:

- ◆ **Milner Library**—Use of library databases, resources, and extended-length loans both onsite and from home
- ◆ **Center for Teaching, Learning & Technology**—Enrollment in computer classes at no charge
- ◆ **TechZone**—Reduced prices in purchasing computers and electronic equipment as well as computer repair
- ◆ **ISU Help Desk**—Phone assistance 24/7 with computer questions
- ◆ **Parking Permit**—A reduced price permit to park in ISU parking lots
- ◆ **E-mail Account**—Free ISU e-mail account
- ◆ **Theatre & Music Departments**—Discounted tickets to concerts, plays, and other performances
- ◆ **Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders**—Access to the Hearing Clinic services
- ◆ **Wellness Programs**—Yoga, Tai Chi, health screenings, nutrition, fitness, stress relief
- ◆ **Student Fitness Center**—Access to purchase semester memberships

**Special Events**—Senior Professionals will have opportunities to attend special member-only events, tours, and presentations by guest speakers and other Senior Professionals.

**Cost to Join**—an annual tax-deductible donation of \$125, made payable to Illinois State University Foundation. Monies go to support program offerings, staff expenses and student scholarships.

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## Committee Structure

The objectives of Senior Professionals are accomplished through four committees.

### Education Committee

Provides life-long learning opportunities for adults through educational programs offered each fall and spring. Academy of Seniors classes are comprised of four two-hour sessions on a single topic. Mornings with the Professors include five Friday morning sessions, on different topics, each two hours in length. Classes are held at the ISU Alumni Center, 1101 N Main St, Normal. Classroom Journey bus trips are also held each fall and spring. These offerings are open to the public. Senior Professionals receive discounts on class fees.

The committee administers these programs by:

- ◆ Meeting with department heads, faculty and community members to identify interesting topics
- ◆ Selecting topics and securing quality speakers
- ◆ Providing hospitality at classes, hosting and helping with refreshments

### Membership Committee

Markets the Senior Professionals program to external markets, recruits individuals to join and helps plan events for current members. The committee encourages members to ask friends and acquaintances to join.

Responsibilities include:

- ◆ Recruiting new members
- ◆ Planning and supporting membership drives
- ◆ Sponsoring new member coffees to inform new members of Senior Professional opportunities
- ◆ Hosting special member-only events

### Mentoring Committee

Matches Honors students with Senior Professional members. The committee supports the mentor/mentee relationship by:

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