



Total Impact of our Programs the Last 15 Years!



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TO CELEBRATE THE ILLINOIS LEADERSHIP CENTER

This semester, the Illinois Leadership Center (ILC) is commemorating its 15th anniversary by counting down 15 reasons to celebrate the ILC. This week, we are highlighting the impact our programs have had on Illinois students.

The first formal ILC program occurred in February 2000, even before the doors of the ILC were open. Our inaugural program, Insight, occurred in Findlay, Illinois, at Eagle Creek Resort. This program focused on self-awareness. Insight would later become part of our suite of i-Programs. While the programs have changed significantly since that first Insight, one thing has remained constant; the impact these ILC programs has made in the lives of Illinois students.

Since our inception, over 15,000 students have attended an i-Program, 800 students have completed the Leadership Certificate Program, 22,000 have attended a Leadership Workshop, and over 1,200 students have attend the Institute by LeaderShape®. That's nearly 40,000 students who have participated in some level of formal leadership education!

Those numbers don't include the various collaborations and program partnerships we have helped to lead over the years, which includes the Sleeman Leadership Institute with the Gies College of Business, and the Leadership and Diversity Summit co-sponsored with multiple Student Affairs partners. These numbers also do not include academic classes taught by leadership center staff. Traditionally at least one staff member has taught an academic course on campus. In 2017-2018, ILC staff members taught two courses in the College of Engineering and one course in the Division of General Studies.

Academic Year	Student Participation in Leadership Programs	Percent Increase from Previous Year
2010 - 2011	2,888	N/A
2011 - 2012	3,237	12%
2012 - 2013	4,370	35%
2013 - 2014	4,574	5%
2014 - 2015	4,823	5%
2015 - 2016	5,291	10%
2016 - 2017	7,504	42%

Much of our impact is due to our program growth; in the past 7 years we have seen a significant increase in students participating in our leadership programming. This increase is largely attributed to more frequent and varied types of programs, as well as improving the curriculum in our current offerings.

The chart to the left highlights program participation since 2010-2011:

It's not enough to reach more students, we strive to ensure our programs are successful in teaching students the skills necessary to lead. In 2016-2017, 98% of Leadership Certificate Completers felt earning the certificate helped prepare them for their future career. Over the same time period, 98% of participants at our Intersect program learned to recognize the components of effective teamwork. Also in 2016-2017, 90% of participants at our inaugural program, now named Petullo Insight (thanks to the generous contributions of Anthony J. Petullo), noted being more self-aware.

It's fitting that this academic year we are celebrating our 15th anniversary; we are on pace to set new milestones in many of our programs. Just this past fall, we had high enrollments in our Leadership Certificate Program (171), a record number of participants in our leadership workshop series (3,745), and we have launched the Illinois Leadership Inventory, which over 800 have completed already.

To stay up to date with the commemoration of our 15th anniversary, be sure to visit leadership.illinois.edu/about/15.

To RSVP for our event celebrating 15 years of leadership follow this link: <https://forms.illinois.edu/sec/440994>