

# ILLINOIS LOUIS STOKES ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION



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## OVERVIEW

The Illinois Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (I-LSAMP) formerly the Chicago Alliance for Minority Participation (ChAMP) was formed in 1993 in response to the National Science Foundation's (NSF) mandate to significantly increase the number of underrepresented minority scholars earning degrees in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) disciplines. In support of this goal, I-LSAMP has 1) provided programs to improve SMET student academic preparation, 2) modified or reinvented gateway courses to better educate more students and, 3) provided underrepresented students with more educational options to increase opportunity and enhance performance. With continued support, this program can and will serve as a solid foundation for student achievement.

## PROGRAMS

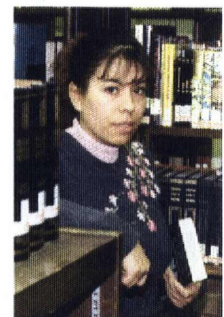
Illinois LS-AMP provides activities that are comprehensive, multidisciplinary, and focused on enhancing the scholarship of minority students. Considerable effort is expended to address transition points in a student's academic career. The transition points include high school to college, 2-year college to 4-year college, undergraduate study to graduate study, and academic study to careers in SMET. Other activities include: hands-on research apprenticeships, scholarship programs, science conferences, facilitated study groups, faculty mentoring, professional development activities, peer mentoring, summer bridge programs and internships.

## Student Comments



"The AMP program has allowed me to embark on a new journey through the evolving world of computer science and has afforded me the opportunity to focus entirely on my studies. Moreover, I have been able to establish new, profound, and lasting relationships among my colleagues and faculty."

Anthony Carlos  
Governors State University



"The Illinois LS-AMP program gave me the opportunity to extend my knowledge of Mathematics to areas I did not know existed."

Celia Jimenez  
St. Augustine College