



Learning Communities

Following the Transitions Academy, the Bridge and ICAPS Learning Communities will commence for the remainder of FY22. We will continue our previous schedule as follows:

- ICAPS Learning Communities will take place on the second Thursday of each month, beginning January 13, 2022. Please register [here](#).
- Bridge Learning Communities will take place on the third Thursday of each month, beginning January 20, 2022. Please register [here](#).

ICAPS Manual

Check out the updated [ICAPS Manual](#) for all your ICAPS program questions! Please note some key changes in the following:

- [Career Pathways Dictionary](#)
- Provided language and resources for [state demand occupation list](#) requirement for ICAPS programs
- Updated approval process section, including the new [jotform!](#)
- New Data Entry section with [DAISI User Guide](#) Included
- Updated information on [Ability to Benefit](#)
- Information on SNAP E&T funds. Click [here](#) for an overview of Illinois SNAP and TANF E&T
- Recruitment Strategies

ICAPS Office Hours

Angela Gerberding from ICCB and the Southern Illinois Professional Development Center team have started office hours for ICAPS program development questions, issues, or concerns. We meet every other Thursday from 11:00 am-12:00 pm. Questions? Email Sarah Goldammer sgoldam@siue.edu or Tara Schwab tarschw@siue.edu. For specific dates and to register click [here](#).

Mentors

As our Virtual Learning Communities came to an end in the Spring, we began both a **Bridge Mentoring Program** and an **ICAPS Mentoring Program** and they have been successful. If you are interested in volunteering to become a mentor or would like to request a mentor, email Sarah Goldammer sgoldam@siue.edu or Tara Schwab tarschw@siue.edu.

ICAPS website

Make sure to bookmark the [ICAPS website](#)! This site provides basic information about the history of ICAPS in Illinois, programs across the state providing ICAPS, and a plethora of resources for:



[ADMINISTRATORS](#)



[TEAM TEACHING](#)



[CAREER NAVIGATORS](#)

Equity videos

Click [here](#) to access the Designing for Equity and Access for ALL Learners Pathway page on the Excellence in Adult Education Website. There you will find our new Equity Video Series.

Team teacher videos

Coming soon are a series of videos from the Team Teacher Talk Show series featuring starts from around IL Adult Education. Watch for them soon on the [Excellence in Adult Education](#) website and the [ICSPS](#) website.

Bridge and ICAPS Jot forms

In order to streamline the application process, the Illinois Community College Board has providing and is using updated jotforms.

Click [here](#) for the Bridge Jotform.

Click [here](#) for the ICAPS jotform.

IET Design camp toolkit

Members of IL Adult Education are participating in the IET Design Camp that is supported by the U.S. Department of Education. Click [here](#) to access the IET Design Camp Toolkit that was provided as part of this opportunity.

ICAPS/IET Planning Template

Click [here](#) to access the Illinois ICAPS planning template. This document is a checklist to move you through the development of your ICAPS/IET.