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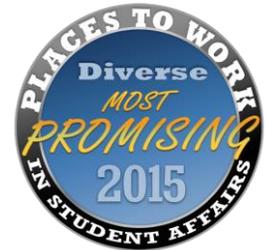
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## 15+ Most Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs in 2015

Columbus, OH – The Center for Higher Education Enterprise (CHEE) announces the results of the **15+ Most Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs** National Study. It was an honor to conduct this study as part of a partnership with **Diverse: Issues in Higher Education** and the **American College Personnel Association (ACPA)**—College Student Educators International.



After being well received in 2014, the second edition of *Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs* highlights 15+ institutions for 2015. The findings will be released in the February 26, 2015 edition of **Diverse** magazine. In addition to the *15+ Most Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs*, *Promising Places* by institution type will be named in forthcoming editions of *Diverse*.

CHEE was selected to conduct this study, under the leadership of Dr. Terrell Strayhorn, professor and director, who served as ACPA director of research and scholarship from 2009 to 2012.

With a focus on workplace diversity, staffing practices, and work environment, the CHEE research team used a web-based survey approach to examine categories such as family friendliness, salary/benefits, and professional development opportunities, to name a few.

**Cindi Love**, executive director of ACPA, commented, “We want to express our deep appreciation to our respected colleagues at *Diverse* and the Center for Higher Education Enterprise at The Ohio State University for their research of workplace and workforce balance on campuses for student affairs professionals. We deeply value our partnership with Dr. Strayhorn and his team and look forward to the dissemination of results in our field.” **Ralph Newell**, vice president of business development and technology for *Diverse*, remarked, “It is our mission to highlight and promote leading examples of diversity and inclusion as examples to all. We are pleased to partner with ACPA and CHEE to highlight the institutions recognized this year.” And as principal investigator, **Terrell Strayhorn** shared, “CHEE is excited about the release of results from the *15+ Most Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs*

study and we share our enthusiasm with our partners at ACPA and *Diverse*. This study yields insight into diversity in the study affairs workplace and offers a useful tool for employers, career services staff, and job-seekers across the country. We hope it continues to serve as a tool for the profession.”

The list of 17 Most Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs (in alphabetical order) is:

- **California State University Channel Islands** (Camarillo, CA)
- **Florida State University** (Tallahassee, FL)
- **Fresno State** (Fresno, CA)
- **Indiana University Southeast** (New Albany, IN)
- **McKendree University** (Lebanon, IL)
- **The Ohio State University** (Columbus, OH)
- **Saint Louis University** (St. Louis, MO)
- **Shepherd University** (Shepherdstown, WV)
- **Southern Illinois University Edwardsville** (Edwardsville, IL)
- **Stony Brook University** (Stony Brook, NY)
- **Sweet Briar College** (Sweet Briar, VA)
- **The University of Alabama** (Tuscaloosa, AL)
- **University of Maine at Machias** (Machias, ME)
- **University of Maryland, Baltimore County** (Baltimore, MD)
- **The University of Vermont** (Burlington, VT)
- **University of West Georgia** (Carrollton, GA)
- **Youngstown State University** (Youngstown, OH)



**About ACPA:** ACPA, with almost 7,500 members, supports and fosters college student learning through the generation and dissemination of knowledge, which informs policies, practices and programs for student affairs professionals and the higher education community.



**About Diverse:** Since 1984, *Diverse: Issues In Higher Education* magazine has been the nation’s premier publication covering the issues pertaining to underrepresented minorities in American higher education. Reaching more than 200,000 readers biweekly, Diverse has been recognized for its indepth news coverage, provocative commentary, insightful special reports and original research.



**About CHEE:** CHEE is a university-wide, interdisciplinary research and policy center that promotes the important role postsecondary education plays in global society, especially the vital roles and responsibilities of public higher education. CHEE’s primary activities include research, policy analysis and outreach that will help make higher education more **accessible, affordable, engaged** and all-around **excellent**.