

Hiram Fitzgerald Honored by Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program

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DETROIT, Mich. - Hiram E. Fitzgerald, Associate Provost for University Outreach and Engagement and University Distinguished Professor of Psychology, has been recognized for service, support, and contributions to the Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program (DAPCEP).

DAPCEP was founded more than 35 years ago with a mission to increase the number of historically underrepresented students who pursue academically challenging educational programming in science, technology, engineering, and math. Leading the Evaluation Committee, Fitzgerald developed and implemented a process and an instrument to assess the attitudinal effect of DAPCEP courses.

"Hiram Fitzgerald's leadership, and our organization's partnership with Michigan State University's Office of University Outreach and Engagement, has been critical to our continual efforts to measure our success using quantitative and qualitative data," said Jason Lee, DAPCEP executive director.

DAPCEP is a national model for out-of-school time educational enrichment, offering supplemental programs for K-12 students through intensive and motivational programming facilitated on university and corporate campuses, with nearly 40 community partners. To date, they have impacted the lives of more than 150,000 metropolitan Detroit youth.

Fitzgerald is president of the Engagement Scholarship Consortium, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Council on Engagement and Outreach of the Association for Public and Land Grant Universities. He is past president and executive director of both the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health and the International Association for Infant Mental Health, and for 16 years (1992-2008) served as executive director of the World Association for Infant Mental Health. In 2006 he was awarded the prestigious Dolley Madison Award for Outstanding Lifelong Contribution to the Development and Well-being of Very Young Children and Their Families.

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