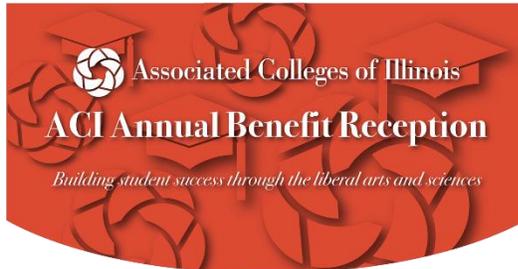


ACI Prepares for 2019 Benefit Reception on April 12

Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs will keynote event to raise funds for ACI programs and scholarships

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ACI's 2019 Benefit Reception on Friday, April 12, at the University Club of Chicago's Cathedral Room, will raise funds for ACI scholarships, for ACI programs aimed at improving college graduation rates among low-income, first-generation and students of color, and for career development initiatives serving students at ACI's [27 member institutions](#).

Keynote speaker is [Michael W. Frerichs](#), Illinois state treasurer. Frerichs has served as state treasurer since 2015 and was previously a member of the Illinois Senate, representing Champaign and Vermilion counties. As a senator, he chaired the Higher Education Committee.

The event will be hosted by [Eureka College](#) President Jamel SC Wright, who is also ACI president. Tickets are \$200 each. The reception features live music, an open bar and generous hors d'oeuvres. The registration deadline is April 5, 2019.

Major sponsors already have joined the effort. [Gallagher](#) and [Husch Blackwell](#) are Patron Sponsors and Aon, Baker Tilly, Don Campbell, Robbins Schwartz and Rathje Woodward LLC are Partner Sponsors. Additional sponsorship opportunities are available, ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000. Each offers excellent benefits, including tickets to the event and greetings in the event program. Individuals and companies can purchase event program greetings for \$500 to \$2,500. The deadline for sponsorships and greetings is March 26, 2019.

"ACI receives generous support year-round from foundations and corporate giving programs that believe in our mission," said ACI Executive Director Mick Weltman. "ACI's annual Benefit Reception provides a great opportunity for people and companies from the community to support our efforts to make independent liberal education available to diverse students and to develop the talent needed to drive Illinois' future economy."

For additional information or to arrange sponsorships or greetings, contact Mick Weltman at mweltman@acifund.org, or call 312-263-2391, ext. 0523.