A Message from
ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL
LISA MADIGAN

As you well know, helping crime victims to recover and rebuild their lives is challenging work. Victims have complex medical, emotional, and financial needs. Victim service providers and law enforcement personnel must be properly trained so they can offer the most coordinated and comprehensive response to victims of crime.

With federal funding from the Office for Victims of Crime, my office, in partnership with Illinois State University, established the Illinois Victim Assistance Academy (IVAA). Our goal is to provide comprehensive, multidisciplinary training to victim service providers and allied professionals throughout Illinois.

I encourage you to participate in the IVAA. Together, we can improve the services provided to victims in Illinois and help them recover and rebuild their lives.

Lisa Madigan
Illinois Attorney General

LISA MADIGAN
ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL

For more information or to request an application for admission to the Academy, please call or write:

Elizabeth Scholz
escholz@atg.state.il.us
217-223-2221

Elizabeth Vitell
evitell@atg.state.il.us
1-800-228-3368

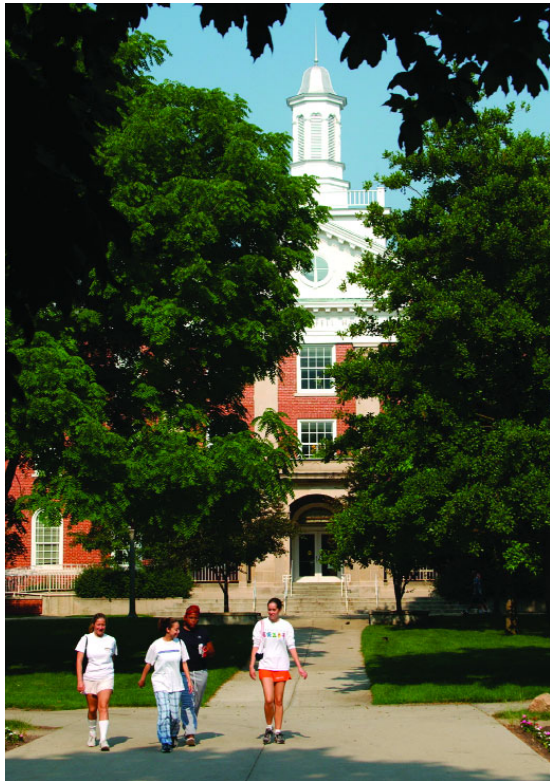
Additional information may also be found on the Attorney General's Web site at www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/victims/IVAAcademy.html.

www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov

This project was supported by Grant No. 2003-VF-GX-K008 awarded by the Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. Points of view in this document are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Printed by authority of the State of Illinois. 12/05.2M.C06-452
This material is available in alternate format upon request.

IVAA
ILLINOIS VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACADEMY



June 4 – 9, 2006
Illinois State University
Normal, Illinois

LISA MADIGAN
ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL

ICJIA

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

WHAT IS THE ILLINOIS VICTIM ASSISTANCE ACADEMY (IVAA)?

The IVAA is a week-long, intensive course of study for crime victim service providers and law enforcement personnel. The IVAA is designed to improve the quality and consistency of victim services in Illinois. Through education, the IVAA builds the capacity of providers and law enforcement to serve those victimized by crime, and encourages cutting-edge thinking about the ways we can help victims regain control of their lives.

THE GOALS OF THE IVAA ARE TO:

- Provide comprehensive, multidisciplinary training to victim service providers and allied professionals throughout Illinois;
- Establish an academic setting for Illinois-specific victim services education;
- Provide participants with detailed information from a diverse faculty of victim service practitioners and Illinois State University staff;
- Offer a comprehensive and standardized core curriculum;
- Lay a foundation for degree programs in victim services; and
- Form partnerships and encourage new initiatives to better serve crime victims throughout Illinois.

Fell Hall
Illinois State University

Schroeder Hall
Illinois State University

Fell Gates
Illinois State University

IS THE IVAA FOR ME?

If you are a victim service provider, law enforcement professional, or social service provider with approximately 2-5 years experience, the IVAA is for you!

Participants in the IVAA can earn Continuing Education Units (CEU) or academic credit.

2005 GRADUATES SAY:

"What a tremendous experience!"

"An outstanding opportunity to gain USEABLE information from experts from the vast array of agencies."

"An experience of networking and training that…victims…will benefit from immensely."