## Jane Addams College of Social Work  May 8, 2015

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*Audience is requested to remain seated until the academic recession is completed. Reception to follow in the tent adjacent to the Harrison Street Parking Structure.*
COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

MARK A. MATTAINI

Mark Mattaini (MSW, University of Utah; DSW, Columbia University) has been an associate professor at Jane Addams College of Social Work since 1999 and served as director of the doctoral program from 1999 until 2006. He previously taught at Columbia University and the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee. Dr. Mattaini has extensive experience in residential treatment, family counseling, developmental disabilities, mental health, substance abuse, community practice, and prevention science, in settings ranging from Manhattan to rural Alaska. He has authored or coedited 11 books, including Foundations of Social Work Practice, PEACE POWER for Adolescents, and Strategic Nonviolent Power: The Science of Satyagraha, as well as over 90 other publications. Editor of the interdisciplinary journal Behavior and Social Issues, he is active in the leadership of the Association for Behavior Analysis: International, serves as international cochair of Behaviorists for Social Responsibility, and was a founding board member of the Society for Social Work and Research. His recent scholarship has focused on youth violence prevention and nonviolent social action for peace and justice; he has consulted in these areas in Brazil and Colombia and with the American Friends Service Committee. Active in the Community Health and Urban Development Concentration at the college from its inception, he has also taught extensively in the doctoral program and chaired or served on over 40 dissertation committees.

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JANE ADDAMS COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK MISSION

The mission of Jane Addams College of Social Work is to educate students to the level of professional social worker, advance knowledge in the field and provide leadership in the development and implementation of policies and services on behalf of the poor, the oppressed, racial and ethnic minorities, and other at-risk urban populations.

JANE ADDAMS 1860–1935

The original site of the Jane Addams Hull-House, Chicago’s first settlement house, is located on the campus of UIC. Jane Addams, the founder of Hull-House and recipient of the 1931 Nobel Peace Prize, was an advocate and organizer on behalf of immigrants, women, children, and other vulnerable groups. She was a social innovator, able to bridge differences of class, race, and culture in order to solve community problems. She founded the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom and helped establish the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), and other progressive organizations. The Jane Addams College of Social Work at UIC continues to build on the great legacy of its namesake. In addition, the very presence of Hull-House on campus, now a museum, is a powerful reminder that tremendous social conditions and challenges remain that require social change and intervention for the most disenfranchised individuals.