



Help the SCW in supporting Dr. Elisa Abes as a 2012 Diamond Honoree!

It is with great pride that the Standing Committees for Women, Men, and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Awareness announce our support for Dr. Elisa Abes's campaign as an ACPA Diamond Honoree. This year, we have nominated Dr. Elisa Abes as one of thirteen Diamond Honorees who we hope will be inducted into this prestigious group of educators. We're asking you to consider supporting this nomination financially so she may become a part of the ACPA legacy.

The Diamond Honoree Program, established by the ACPA Foundation in 1999, is both a recognition program and a fund raising activity. Those nominated for consideration are recognized for their outstanding and sustained contributions to higher education and to student affairs. The Honorees were nominated by colleagues who believe these individuals have distinguished themselves as teachers, administrators, researchers, writers, and association leaders. In addition, the Honorees have demonstrated sustained contributions to ACPA, higher education, and the Student Affairs profession at the local, state, regional, national, or international levels.

Dr. Elisa Abes is currently Associate Professor and Program Coordinator for the Student Affairs in Higher Education program at Miami University (OH). She has an impressive list of publications, including co-editing a forthcoming book on social identities. Her research interests are in student development theory, including lesbian identity development, multiple and intersecting dimensions of identity, critical and queer theoretical approaches to student development theory, and the relationship between student development and service-learning.

Dr. Elisa Abes is beloved by the graduate students with whom she works and continues to have a deep impact on emerging professionals in the field of student affairs. She serves as an inspiration to many in the field as she has dedicated her research and scholarship to the understanding and exploration of social identity.

Suggested giving levels are \$100+ for Senior-level professionals (less than \$10/month); \$40+ for Mid-level professionals and \$20+ for New professionals, but all donations are welcome. We welcome your contributions at your earliest convenience, and we would like to have all contributions by February 29, 2012 if possible.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.acpafoundation.org/content/diamond-honoree-program>

Go Red for Paul Hart!

The Standing Committee for LGBT Awareness (SCLGBTA) will be sponsoring a fund raising campaign so we can continue to support those of us who are affected by HIV and AIDS. We will be running a Facebook campaign to help support the Paul Hart Scholarship Fund from February 13, 2012 through February 17, 2012. All those who make a donation will receive a jpeg to use on their Facebook page that week celebrating that they have donated. Please "like" the ACPA SCLGBTA Facebook page for more information in the weeks to come.

Paul Hart Fund Scholarship



The Paul Hart Scholarship Fund, administered by ACPA - College Student Educators International was established in 1995 to provide scholarships for ACPA members who are either living with HIV/AIDS, or have a family member, dependent, partner, spouse, or child living with HIV/AIDS so that they may attend the Annual Convention. Scholarship funds are made available from Paul Hart's estate, and donations are

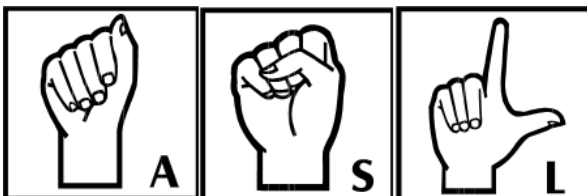
received year-round. Scholarships are made to those individuals who would not be able to attend the Annual Convention without such financial assistance.

Applications for 2012 Paul Hart Scholarships are currently being accepted. Applications are due on Friday, February 17, 2012. In order to be considered for the Paul Hart Scholarship, you must:

- Be a member of ACPA at the time of application
- Put the funds towards attendance at the Annual Convention
- Indicate how receipt of the scholarship will enable you to attend the convention
- Be a person living with HIV/AIDS or have an immediate family member who is living with HIV/AIDS (partner, spouse, children or other dependents who live with you).

For more information or to access the application, please see the SCLGBTA

website: <http://www2.myacpa.org/convention-2011/paul-hart-fund>



Sign Language Friendly Social in Louisville!

This year's ACPA convention will again feature a Sign Language Friendly Social. This is open to anyone - Deaf or hearing - who uses ASL/sign language. We meet each other, then arrange to do things together throughout the convention. Come be part of this second annual Sign Social!

Program Title: Deaf Culture Initiative: Sign Language Friendly Social

Building/Room: Louisville Marriott Downtown – Bluegrass II

Date/Time: 3/25/12 04:30 PM – 06:00 PM

The Echo – Convention Edition

Please remember, all Echo entries are due the 15th of the month *before* they're published, this means that the Echo that will be published at the beginning of March is our last Echo before the Louisville Convention.