SIU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
SPRING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING ITINERARY
APRIL 25-27, 2019

Thursday, April 25

3:00 p.m.  Executive Committee Meeting,
            Student Center, Vermillion Room

6:00 p.m.  Executive Committee Dinner
            Pagliai’s Pizza

Friday, April 26

8:00 a.m.  SIU Day Volunteers

4:00 p.m.  SIU Distinguished Alumni Award Ceremony –
            Student Center Auditorium

            SIU Distinguished Alumni Award Reception— (following Award Ceremony)
            Student Center - International Lounge

6:30 p.m.  Board of Directors Social – (following Distinguished Alumni Reception)
            Student Center - Old Main Room

Saturday, April 27

8:00 a.m.  SIU Alumni Association Full Board Meeting
            Student Center, Ballroom B

11:30 a.m. Board of Directors Luncheon
            Student Center, Old Main Room
AGENDA

I. Call to Order – Rick Wysocki, President

II. Roll Call – Tina Shingleton, Corporate Secretary

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Kathy Dillard (Interim Executive Director)
Patrice DeBlois (Asst. Treasurer/Controller)
Pat Hewson (Legal Counsel)
Tina Shingleton (Corporate Secretary)

III. Action on Minutes of October 19, 2018 – Rick Wysocki

IV. President’s Comments – Rick Wysocki

V. Executive Director’s Report – Kathy Dillard
VI. SIU President's Comments – J. Kevin Dorsey

VII. Chancellor's Comments – John M. Dunn

VIII. Vice Chancellor's Comments – Rae Goldsmith

IX. SIU Foundation Report – Harold Bardo

X. Treasurer's Report – Greg Wright
   A. Finance Report
   B. Budget for FY 2020

XI. College/School Representatives' Reports – Rick Wysocki

Reports that were provided are posted to the Board Portal and appear at the end of the posted materials.

A. College of Agricultural Sciences – Mr. Rick Hiatt
B. College of Applied Sciences and Arts – Ms. Camelle Logan
C. College of Business – Mr. Drew Stoker
D. College of Education and Human Services – Mr. Paul Melzer
E. College of Engineering – Mr. Slade O'Keefe
F. College of Liberal Arts – Mr. Stephen Wilson
G. College of Mass Communication and Media Arts – Vacant
H. College of Science – Dr. Treg Brown
I. School of Law – Hon. Kimberly Dahlen
J. School of Medicine – Dr. Jeff Parks

XII. Student Directors' Reports – Rick Wysocki

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A. President, Student Alumni Council – Rachel Seay
B. President, Graduate & Professional Student Council – Clay Awsumb
C. President, Undergraduate Student Government – Toussaint Mitchell

XIII. Other Committee Reports – Rick Wysocki

- Athletics Committee – Molly Hudgins
- Audit Committee – Greg Wright
- College/Professional School Relations – Allison Niendieck/Steve Wiyatt
• Communications – Molly Hudgins
• Investments – Scott Moller
• Member Services – Allison Niendieck
• Policy and Organization – Molly Hudgins
• Scholarships – Gary Heflin
• Student Relations – Laura Soucy

• Constituent Organizations – Gary Heflin
• Saluki Alumni Plaza – Larry Mieldezis, Drew Stoker
• SIUAA Planning Committee – Rick Wysocki/Gary Heflin/Scott Moller

XIV. Mandatory Board Business – Rick Wysocki

• Ratification of Board of Election Results

• FY20 Executive Committee Slate
  President – Rick Wysocki
  Immediate Past President – Larry Mieldezis
  President Elect – Molly Hudgins
  Vice-President – Scott Moller
  Vice President – Gary Heflin
  Secretary – Dorothy Ittner
  Treasurer – Greg Wright
  Director at Large – Laura Soucy
  Director at Large – Allison Niendieck

XV. Old Business – Rick Wysocki

• Results of electronic vote to approve appointment of Kathy Dillard as Interim Executive Director of the SIU Alumni Association

• Results of electronic vote for change of Bylaws regarding Student Directors designating representatives to fulfill their role on the Board.

• Update on Problem Payment/Unclaimed Property – Patrice DeBlois
• Results of Board Self-Evaluation – Scott Moller

XVI. New Business – Rick Wysocki

• Revision to Spending Policy (Purchasing, Receiving, Disbursement Guidelines and Processing Procedures)

• Approval of Charter for The Villages Chapter

• Board Service Awards – Rick Wysocki

XVII. Announcements – Rick Wysocki

• 46th Annual Great Cardboard Boat Regatta – Saturday, April 27, 2019
  Becker Pavilion (Boat Dock) – 1:00 p.m.

• SIU Day at Busch Stadium – Saturday, June 1, 2019

• SIU Day at Wrigley Field – Sunday, June 9, 2019

• SIU Day at Brookfield Zoo – Saturday, June 22, 2019

• Black Alumni Group Reunion – July 18 – 21, 2019

• Family Weekend – Saturday, September 14, 2019

• Route 66 Mother Road Auto Festival – September 27-29, 2019

• Fall 2019 Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, October 17, 2019

• Fall 2019 Board of Directors Meeting – Friday, October 18, 2019

• Half Century Club and Class of 1969 Banquet – Friday, October 18, 2019

• Alumni Band Group Reunion – Friday, October 18, 2019

• SIU Homecoming Parade – Saturday, October 19, 2019

• Homecoming Football Game – Saturday, October 19, 2019

• SIU Alumni Association 125th Anniversary - 2021
*Visit https://homecoming.siu.edu for all the latest and greatest information regarding SIU’s 150th Anniversary celebration during Family Weekend and Homecoming.

*Visit www.siualumni.com for a complete list of events.

XII. Adjournment – Rick Wysocki
### Engagement Report
#### FY 2019 Report Quarter 3

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The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

FINANCIAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2019

March 31, 2019

Greg Wright, FHFMA
Treasurer

Patrice DeBlois, CPA
Controller
The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

FINANCIAL REPORT

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**March 31, 2019**

**(WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR MARCH 31, 2018)**

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**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

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<td><strong>Total Revenues</strong></td>
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<td><strong>$1,462,612</strong></td>
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<th>FY 2018</th>
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<td>Budget Expended from SIU</td>
<td>$452,486</td>
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<td>Member Services</td>
<td>68,446</td>
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<td>Promotions</td>
<td>2,173</td>
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<td>Data Base Maintenance</td>
<td>10,333</td>
<td>12,495</td>
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<td>23,293</td>
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<td>Off Campus Programs</td>
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<td>Homecoming</td>
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<td>Constituent Relations</td>
<td>4,213</td>
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<td>Awards and Contributions</td>
<td>385,546</td>
<td>25,493</td>
<td>100,000</td>
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<td>Operational Support</td>
<td>19,111</td>
<td>10,682</td>
<td>16,100</td>
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<td>Corporate Relations / Sponsorship Development</td>
<td>7,280</td>
<td>4,737</td>
<td>17,650</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>24,846</td>
<td>24,082</td>
<td>32,000</td>
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<td>On Campus Programs</td>
<td>8,020</td>
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<td>Advocacy</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>158</td>
<td>2,500</td>
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<td>Professional Development</td>
<td>36,888</td>
<td>7,168</td>
<td>15,750</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,380,472</strong></td>
<td><strong>$789,830</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,672,135</strong></td>
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Change in net assets: $ (459,466) $ 672,782 $(459,285)
1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

A. Organization: The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated (the “Association”) located in Carbondale, Illinois exists for the primary purpose of cultivating support of Southern Illinois University (“SIU” or “University”) in achieving its educational, research, and service goals and responsibilities through membership, alumni events, and keeping alumni informed of development at the University.

Due to the significance of the financial relationship with the University, in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, and GASB Statement No. 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units, the Association is included as a component unit of the University for financial reporting purposes. The financial activities included in the Association’s financial statements are reported in a separate column in the University’s financial statements to emphasize that the Association is an Illinois not-for-profit organization legally separate from the University.

These financial statements include all financial activities over which the Association exercises direct responsibility.

B. Financial Statement Presentation: Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) in its Statement of Financial Accounting Standards SFAS No. 117, Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Organizations. Under those provisions, net assets and revenues, gains, and losses are classified based on the absence or existence and nature of donor-imposed restrictions as follows:

• Unrestricted net assets - Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations. The Association’s Board of Directors has designated $749,205 of the unrestricted net assets for the construction of an alumni center and $4,000,000 of unrestricted net assets as a general operations fund for the Association. In addition, the Association’s Board of Directors has designated $1,237,524 of the unrestricted net assets for scholarships as of March 31, 2019.

• Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that can be fulfilled by actions of the Association pursuant to those stipulations or that expire by the passage of time. There were no temporarily restricted net assets as of March 31, 2019 and 2018.

• Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the Association. There were no permanently restricted net assets as of March 31, 2019 and 2018.

C. Cash Equivalents: For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Association considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Not included for interim statements

D. Investments: The Association accounts for its investments at fair value. Changes in unrealized gain (loss) on the carrying value of investments are reported as a component of investment income in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets.
E. Property and Equipment: Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided for in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated service lives, on a straight-line basis. All items exceeding $1,000 are capitalized.

F. Deferred Revenue: Revenue on annual and life memberships is recognized ratably over the membership period. For life memberships, 20% is recognized the first year and the remaining is amortized over 40 years. Fees, including activities fees, are recognized when earned and credit card royalties are recognized over the length of the contract. Deferred revenue at March 31, 2019 represents the unexpired portion of memberships. The Association considers all receivables to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is considered necessary. If amounts become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.

G. Revenue Recognition: Revenue is recognized under the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, dues are collected annually and are recognized as revenues in the applicable membership period on a monthly pro rata basis.

H. In-Kind Materials, Facilities and Services: Donated supplies and materials are recorded as contributions and as expenses of the appropriate program or supporting service at their determinable fair value at the date of donation.

I. Net Assets: The Association’s net assets are classified as follows:

- **Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:** This represents the Association’s total investments in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding debt obligations, if any, related to those capital assets.

- **Unrestricted net assets:** Unrestricted net assets represent resources available for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the Association, and may be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose.

- **Board designated assets:** This represents the Association’s Board of Director’s decision to dedicate funds for operations, scholarships, and an Alumni Center.

J. Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes.

K. Income Taxes: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued a determination letter, dated August 20, 1990, indicating that the Association qualifies for federal income tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code except for income taxes associated with unrelated business income. No provision has been made as management does not believe it has significant unrelated business income.

L. Subsequent Events: Management has evaluated subsequent events for recognition and disclosure in the financial statements through April 9, 2019, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Through April 9, 2019 no subsequent events required recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

M. Prior Period Financial Information: The financial statements include certain prior-year comparative information. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Association’s financial statements for the period ended March 31, 2018 from which the summarized financial information was derived.
2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

A. Deposits with Regions Bank: The Association deposits its cash receipts in Regions Bank. At March 31, 2019, the amount on deposit with Regions Bank totaled $228,331 and the carrying amount was $206,360.

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Association's deposits may not be returned to it. The cash held by Regions Bank follow strict collateralization requirements that are consistent with the requirements of the State Treasurer's Collateral Agreement. Deposits are FDIC insured up to $250,000. At March 31, 2019 the Association did not have deposits over $250,000.

B. Investments: The Board of Directors of the Association is responsible for the management of the Association's investments. The Board, through the bylaws, has given authority to the Investment and Transaction Committees to formulate an investment policy for funds and assets held by the Association. These Committees shall submit that policy to the Board for approval, periodically recommend changes in policy as appropriate, interpret that policy to any of Association's investment managers, and oversee implementation of that policy. Investment performance is reviewed quarterly and investments are reported at fair value in the Statement of Net Assets.

The Association determines the fair value of investments to be the amount at which financial instruments could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, usually quoted market prices. Also, certain money market investments having a remaining maturity of one year or less at time of purchase and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit with redemption terms that do not consider market rates are carried at amortized cost. Realized gains and losses and the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments are included in the net investment gain (loss) in the Statement of Activities.

C. Investment Risks:

- **Interest Rate Risk** - Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. In order to capture the highest yield and due to the fact that a majority of the Association’s investments have a long time horizon, the Association has not set limits on investment maturities.

- **Foreign Currency Risk** – Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Association has investments in one mutual fund (American Funds Capital World Growth and Income) that invests in securities of various countries. The Association has not adopted a policy with respect to foreign currency risk.

- **Credit Risk** - Credit Risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Association's general investment policy is to produce the maximum total return consistent with acceptable risk levels. Moderately aggressive investment strategies are utilized to achieve investment goals, as growth of assets, rather than the production of income, is the primary portfolio objective.

- **Concentration of Credit Risk** - The Association has no limit on the amount that can be invested with any one issuer. As of March 31, 2019, the Association did not have more than five percent of the Association’s investments with any issuer.

- **Custodial Credit Risk** - Custodial Credit Risk is the risk that, in the event of failure of the counter party, the Association will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. As of March 31, 2019, the Association did not have any securities at risk.
3. CAPITAL ASSETS

Following are the changes in capital assets for Fiscal Year 2019:

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<tr>
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<th>Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment</th>
<th>Less Accumulated Depreciation</th>
<th>Capital Assets, Net</th>
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<td>Balance June 30, 2018</td>
<td>$315,979</td>
<td>($273,675)</td>
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<td>Additions</td>
<td>5,432</td>
<td>(24,846)</td>
<td>(19,414)</td>
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<td>Retirements</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>Balance March 31, 2019</td>
<td>$321,411</td>
<td>($298,521)</td>
<td>$22,890</td>
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4. CREDIT CARD ARRANGEMENT

The Association entered into an agreement with Commerce Bank, effective July 1, 2014. During the year ended June 30, 2015, the Association received a $25,000 advance on royalties. Regardless of sales performance, the Association is not liable to pay back the advance. All $25,000 was recognized as earned income as of June 30, 2017.
The Association of Alumni, Former Students and Friends
of Southern Illinois University, Incorporated

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2019

5. LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-term liabilities consist of deferred revenue. Activity for fiscal year 2019 was as follows:

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<th>Balance March 31, 2019</th>
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<td>Dues</td>
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<td>Activities and events</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,735,539</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,750,973</strong></td>
<td><strong>$77,296</strong></td>
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6. RETIREMENT PLAN

All full-time Association personnel are University employees. Retirement benefits and post-retirement benefits other than pension are available for eligible SIU employees under a contributory retirement plan (the “Plan”) administered by the State Universities Retirement System. Participants of the Plan contribute eight percent of their gross earnings, and the University annually contributes an amount determined by the State Legislature from State appropriations and amounts from other current funds based on actuarially determined rates. Information pertaining to the Plan and Plan benefits can be found in the University financial statements. The Association does not own any of the Plan assets and has no responsibility for the Plan obligations.

7. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Association has entered into a master contract with the Board of Trustees of SIU that specifies the relationship between the two organizations in accordance with the Legislative Audit Commission’s University Guidelines, 1997, as amended. Among the provisions of the contract is a requirement that the Association, in return for staff and use of the facilities, agrees to annually reimburse the University for the proportionate share of costs involved. This reimbursement is computed as the annual salary cost of the University’s Alumni Services Department times a percentage (5.73% in 2018), based on the total number of addressable alumni members divided by the total number of addressable alumni on file. Both the Association and the University agree to the percentage on an annual basis.

The Association recognizes as revenue and expense those on-behalf payments for salaries made by the University for personnel of the Association. For the period ended March 31, 2019 these amounts totaled $452,486 and are included in Budget allocation from SIU and budget expended at SIU in the accompanying Statement of Activities.

The Association uses various services of the University and directly reimburses the University at a cost equal to that charged by the University to other users.
## FY20 Proposed Budget - Revenue

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<th>FY19 Actual as of 3/31</th>
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<td>Budget Allocation from SIU</td>
<td>$703,000</td>
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<td>Membership Dues</td>
<td>$200,000</td>
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<td>Royalties and Other Income</td>
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<td>Sponsorship (9,600 non-cash)</td>
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<td>Event Fees</td>
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<td>$7,545</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenues</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,212,850</strong></td>
<td><strong>$849,617</strong></td>
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## FY20 Proposed Budget - Expense

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<td>Board of Directors</td>
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<td>Corporate Relations / Sponsorship Development</td>
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<td>Professional Development</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
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<td>Advocacy</td>
<td>$2,500</td>
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<td>Total Expenses</td>
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<td>Shortfall From Operations</td>
<td>($359,285)</td>
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FY20 Proposed Budget Summary
Colleges/Schools and Student Directors

Board Reports

SIU Alumni Association

Board of Directors Meeting

April 27, 2019
April 5, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Camelle Logan
President
CASA Board of Counselors

FROM: Andy Wang
Dean

RE: CASA Report for Alumni Association Board Meeting Spring 2019
Covering October 2018 through March 2019

Listed below are some news items to report from the College of Applied Sciences and Arts at the Spring 2019 Alumni Association Board meeting.

**OSHA Grant**  Dr. Qian (Jenny) Huang, Assistant Professor of Architecture, and Dr. Rolando Gonzalez-Torres, Associate Professor of Architecture, have been awarded $75,000 for their OSHA training proposal submitted to the US Department of Labor. This federal grant is funded by the US Department of Labor, whose Occupational Safety and Health Administration selects and awards grants to nonprofit organizations on a highly competitive basis. Grants are awarded to provide training and education programs for employers and workers on the recognition, avoidance, and prevention of safety and health hazards in their workplaces and to inform workers of their rights and employers of their responsibilities under the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

**Chancellor's Transfer Scholarship**  Tara O'Leary, a Radiologic Sciences (RADS) student, received a 2018 Chancellor's Transfer Scholarship covering tuition and fees for two years. Six students received this prestigious scholarship awards at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Students must have a minimum 3.5 transfer GPA and the evaluations are based on students' leadership, community service and interview. Each student earned an associate's degree from an accredited community college.

**AOPA Fly-In Event**  The AOPA (Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association) Fly-In event went very well. According to Mike Collins from AOPA, "The two-day totals for the fly-in were 179 aircraft and nearly 7,000 people." The popular Boeing 737 Plane Pull raised more than $10,000 to benefit Special Olympics Illinois. The newly purchased tent by the aviation programs was put into usage during this event, and it looked great.
CASA Distinguished Alumni Award Winner  Mr. Shannon Kraus was selected as the 2019 CASA Distinguished Alumni Award winner. Mr. Kraus is Executive Vice President, Principal, and Managing Director of HKS, Inc., a large architecture firm in Washington, DC, with approximately 240 employees. Mr. Kraus is a 1995 graduate of SIUC majored in Architectural Studies, and he also earned an Associate of Applied Science degree from SIUC in 1992.

Automotive Technology (AUT) has successfully passed reaccreditation at the highest level of standards by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE). AUT was one of the first master level accredited programs - Master Automobile Service Technology Accreditation - in the nation and we continue that standard of excellence.

Flying Salukis  The 2018 Region VIII SAFECON was held from October 9 - 13, 2018 at KLAF - Purdue University Airport, West Lafayette, IN, hosted by Purdue University. The Flying Salukis were #1 again!

PodCar City Conference  Three SIU Masters of Architecture Students travelled to Gavle, Sweden, for the PodCar City Conference to present the Masters Studio entry for the International Urban Design Competition sponsored by INIST - the International Institute of Sustainable Transportation. They participated in a panel discussion titled: Urban Planning for Shared Automated Mobility and presented their competition entry, Chainworks, Ithaca NY, that earned a tie for third place. A paper and a 4D computer simulation of Ithaca, NY, was also submitted as part of the competition entry. SIU is the only US university presenting work at this conference. Third place is a great finish!

ACHE Essay Competition  Jackie Nash, a senior student in the Health Care Management program, was the winner for her student essay titled “Using Telemedicine to Improve Patient Care in Pediatric Patients” in the Richard Stull Essay Competition hosted by the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

United Airlines - SIU Aviation Career Day  On Saturday, October 20th, 2018, SIU celebrated the 24th SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day. A United Airlines Airbus 320 loaded with 160 passengers, including Chicago area high school students and SIU Alumni and staff, gracefully landed at Southern Illinois Airport. United Airlines donated the use of a revenue generating aircraft, allowing it to be staffed by an all SIU alumni crew and flown to Carbondale. SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day is the only event of its type in the nation.

Cybersecurity Day  The School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies hosted 2018 Cybersecurity Day on Saturday, October 13, 2018. The event was supported by the SIU Security Dawgs, a student RSO focused on cybersecurity. There were close to 80 participants throughout the day representing 8 schools (SIU, 3 Community Colleges, and 4 High Schools). IST alumni and volunteers acted as Red Team and White Team for the event. They also spent time before the event updating our cyberstadium with new vulnerabilities to make the event more fun. The competition on the Cybersecurity Day was a great success.

Hack SI event took place on November 3 - 4, 2018, and was a big success. There were participants ranging in age from 6 to 70. There were about 27 "hacks" that were completed, ranging from apps to hardware creations. The winning hack was a "magic mirror" that was a Raspberry Pi running Windows IoT that would display weather, time, and headlines on a reflective mirror like panel. Also awarded were an Arduino powered car made out of a Ritz cracker box and a device that would allow the user to use arm movements to trigger game moves while playing Tetris.
**Physical Therapy Assistant program** has received full accreditation from October 2018 to Spring 2027 by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, an accrediting agency that is nationally recognized by the US Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

**AISIN Donation** Mr. Tom Imboden, Interim Director of the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies, and Steve Osborn, President of ISAT Security Dawgs, went to Aisin in Marion on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, to accept a $500 donation check for the entry fee in the upcoming Illinois Collegiate Cyber Defense Contest.

**Robotics Competition** Mr. Martin Hebel, Associate Professor of Aviation Technologies (AVT), and AVT students Michael Olson, Ivan Solorzano and Daniel DeGuire assisted Carbondale Community High School in their 6th Annual VEX robotics competition on Saturday, January 26, 2019. They acted as referees and a judge for this high school and middle school competition. A total of 34 teams competed from all over Illinois and Kentucky.

**Online Master of Public Safety and Homeland Security Management program** has been ranked as the fifth best program in the nation! The link below directs you to the site that is posting this data. If you look at tuition, SIU is shown as the lowest priced program among the nine on the list.


Based on the methodology they were using to rate online masters programs, academic quality takes 40%, student success 40%, and affordability 20%. Our accredited online graduate Public Safety Management (PSM) program was recognized among the best online graduate degree programs in the nation for its academic quality, student success, and affordability.

**Drone Photo Contest** Mr. Nate Wambold, drone pilot and SIU Architecture graduate, won a drone photography contest top prize of $1,000 from the 2018 View From the Top Drone Photo Contest. Nate is a 1999 graduate of the Architectural Studies program here at SIUC.

**Department of Defense Award** Mr. Fred Bisel, Online Lecturer of Information Systems Technologies (IST), together with his team (Space and Naval Warfare System Center - SSC - Atlantic team), received a Department of Defense (DoD) Acquisition Workforce Development Innovation Award on February 5, 2019, at the Pentagon, for their work on a cyber education resource. The team’s efforts led to the creation of the Cyber Education and Certification Readiness Facility (CERF) based in Charleston, SC.
Spring 2019 SIU-C College of Business Report to the Alumni Association Board of Directors
Terry Clark, Dean

A. Students

1. Inaugural business fashion show illustrates the importance of dressing for success - The Women's Business Association collaborated with Alpha Kappa Psi and the Business Placement Center to bring its inaugural business fashion show to Southern Illinois University's College of Business. The fashion show, titled "Falling into the Business World," was a unique and effective approach to informing students of the differences in business casual and professional dress. The fashion show, which took place in the Student Center's Ballroom D, included a stage and a DJ. Alexandra Walsh, a junior accounting major who is president of the Women's Business Association, was the emcee. This show featured nine models: three men and six women, all CoB students. During the show, key differences between business casual and business professional attire were communicated. The event utilized a true fashion-show format, including posing stops along the runway, which added a fun atmosphere. The outfit selections were from either the models' closets or the Career Closet in the Business Placement Center. The event was a fun, fashion-forward way to show SIU students the important differences between business casual, business professional and other types of casual and daily outfits. The fashion show will be held again next year, creating an annual occurrence at the CoB.

2. The Fall 2018 Etiquette Dinner hosts nearly 200 attendees - The Fall 2018 Etiquette Dinner was a delightful experience filled with smiles and handshakes for more than 200 sponsors, board members, students, faculty and staff. Serving as a practice-run for professional dining, the Etiquette Dinner is an annual event that has the reputation of showing students "the importance of being prepared and having a professional image," Tom Harmon, co-chair of the Etiquette Dinner Committee, said. A professional reception with appetizers and non-alcoholic cocktails preceded the dinner and gave the students the opportunity to mingle with business leaders, board members, faculty and staff. Melenie Broyles, founder of Etiquette Saint Louis, led the etiquette instruction during the reception and dinner. She teaches etiquette techniques with a bit of humor and
history to help people of all ages retain these professional skills. After the reception, the attendees made their way into the banquet hall for a dinner catered by Mary's Restaurant in Herrin, IL. Terry Clark, dean of the college, opened the ceremony and introduced Broyles. During the meal, Broyles enlightened the audience about how to professionally dine properly. Mary Mechler and Tom Harmon, both longtime Etiquette Dinner co-chairs, provided closing remarks. "Exposure to successful Salukis who want them to succeed is a valuable opportunity for our students, and I hope they felt that support!" Mechler said. "I always learn something new from Etiquette St. Louis but more importantly being with the students just reinforced that this is needed. We have great kids at SIU that we need to support as alumni," Harmon said. The college presents the etiquette dinner to help new Salukis gain yet another skill for professional success.

B. Alumni

1. Clara Kridle Memorial Scholarship established at the College of Business - Southern Illinois University Carbondale served as the launch pad for Clara Kridle's successful accounting career, so when her colleagues created a memorial scholarship in her honor, they and her family chose to help propel future Salukis toward successful careers in the world of business by establishing the Clara J. Kridle Memorial Scholarship Endowment. "We are triply blessed to honor Clara Kridle through this memorial scholarship," Terry Clark, dean of the College of Business, said. "We are honored because she was one of our own, who came to us and blossomed into a young professional, ready to take on the world. Then, after entering into that professional world, we observed her rise among the best professionals on earth at Pricewaterhouse Coopers," Clark added. "But most of all, we are deeply touched and blessed to see the kind and generous affection with which her colleagues at PwC held her in that they chose to honor our Clara Kridle with a scholarship in her name and memory here at SIU's College of Business. This scholarship will make it possible for other young people to be trained up and prepared for success, just as Clara was. Thank you, Clara. Thank you, PwC."

2. 2019 ELSA Winners - The College of Business has announced the recipients of the 2019 Emerging Saluki Leader (ESLA) Award. The award is going to six recent alumni who demonstrate post-graduation success through achievement in business, academia, government, not-for-profit organizations or community
service. The awardees' hard work and accomplishments will be honored at a May banquet.

- **Caroline Ebelhar Ellis** graduated in 2012 with a bachelor's degree in management, specializing in human resources.
- **Molly Guinnip Wedding** received her bachelor's in marketing from SIU CoB in 2010.
- **Jennifer Polk** is a 2003 CoB graduate with a bachelor's in finance.
- **Nicki Milovanovic** is a 2010 graduate with a bachelor's in marketing.
- **Meredith Rhoads Thomas** is a double alumna of SIU's CoB, earning her bachelor's degree in marketing in 2005 and her MBA in 2006.
- **Lily Sugathan** is also a dual-degree Saluki, earning her bachelor's in accounting in 1999 and her MBA in 2000 from CoB.

3. **David Hartley wins the 2018 Outstanding Visionary Award** – David Hartley's road to success began at Southern Illinois University, he says. He received his bachelor's degree in accounting from the SIU College of Business in May 1991, graduating summa cum laude with a minor in German as well. While at SIU, Hartley was secretary of Beta Alpha Psi and president of Alpha Kappa Psi. He also was awarded the Outstanding Senior awards for both accounting and the entire College of Business in 1991. "My accounting education at SIU provided me with a strong foundation for my professional career," Hartley said. He presently works for UHY LLP in St. Louis, as a principal and virtual chief information officer. Before accepting his current position, Hartley served as vice president and CIO for Arch Coal, the second largest publicly traded coal company in the United States. He also has 20 years of Big 4 consulting and auditing experience. He excels by working in a field where his personal interests are a part of his job descriptions. This is exactly what has happened for him in his current post. As a principal, Hartley provides strategic technology advice to middle-market companies. As virtual CIO, advises clients about things like strategic roadmap development, third-party risk management, privacy, and digital transformation. His success recently led to him being named the recipient of the 2018 Outstanding Visionary Award from the Missouri Society of CPAs. The award is given to CPAs who have excelled in advancing the profession. The award nominees are assessed on their innovation, leadership, foresight, enhancement of peers, promotion of the profession's benevolence and dedication to the improvement of the profession. CoB is proud to call Hartley both an alumnus and an outstanding visionary.
C. College of Business

1. **Business Night brings more than 400 local high school students to SIU** - The College of Business hosted a Business Night at a SIU men’s basketball game, giving more than 400 local high school and community college students the opportunity to see that business provides a promising future. The Salukis took on St. Louis University on Dec. 5 in an exciting game and the group of enthused future business students helped cheer on the Salukis to victory over the St. Louis University Billikens. The students in attendance have all shown an interest in business by either being a member of their school’s Future Business Leaders of America group, taking business classes or expressing interest to their academic counselor. "The aim was to bring teachers, advisors and students to campus so they can see all the great things going on at SIU and the College of Business, and to have a little fun watching the game," Rachel Richey, the college's director of enrollment management, said. The event opened in the Student Center's International Lounge with an academic college fair. Numerous CoB staff and students greeted the schools as they arrived and individually chauffeured them throughout the night. Representatives from CoB and other SIU colleges were available to share information about their colleges, answer questions and offer guidance to the future Salukis. The students who attended the event represented 28 local schools from throughout Southern Illinois. "Not only has this event strengthened relationships that were already established, but it has opened lines of communication with new teachers and advisers throughout the community as well," Richey said. The college is striving to strengthen connections to local high schools. Community support and enhancing local student enrollment is vital to SIU's CoB.
Tree Climbing Goats and Business Schools

I'll get to the title of this letter eventually, but first...

The end of the year is a good time to reflect: to look back, to assess, and to look forward.

Looking Back: 2018 is coming to a close. Before assessing our current situation and looking toward the future, let me take a moment to offer my deep appreciation for Carlo Montemagno, our late great Chancellor.

Carlo arrived on campus in August 2017, and departed suddenly on October 11th 2018. He was with us for just 14 months. But what a 14 months! I'd venture to say that SIU has rarely moved so far in such a short period of time! What a gift he was! Visionary, cheerful and courageous, Carlo Montemagno was a leader who boldly imagined what SIU could, and therefore should be. Not obsessed with short-term fixes and band aids, Carlo patiently set himself to build for the future. We are committed to that vision, that future. Thank you Carlo Montemagno.
Current Situation: On becoming Dean in July 2016, I had no way of knowing what lay ahead for the College: an historic State crisis; no budget; enrollment challenges throughout the State, and political turmoil in our own house. Frankly, it felt like we were crossing the Gobi Desert! But cross it we have! The evidence is mounting that we have reached "the other side" of that vast sea of troubles! What is that evidence? Consider our current state:

- We have 3 signed contracts for new tenure track professors (Accounting, Finance and Marketing).
- These new professors have appropriate domain expertise, as well as fluency in the language of big data and Analytics.
- Our preparations to roll out the Analytics programs are close to completion.
- Other critical hires include: 1) a permanent Assistant Dean (Bridgette Sargent); 2) a Director of Online Programs (Michelle Johansen); 3) a new Business Manager (Kristine McCurdy); a new Online Recruiter (Antandra Campbell); 4) a new Development Officer (Stephanie Parton).
- The Pontikes Center of Analytics and Artificial Intelligence added three new members to its Board of Advisors: Gene Lee, Senior VP and Chief Analytics Officer from Caesars Entertainment; Helen Sun, Chief Technology Officer, STATS (world’s leading sports data and technology company); and Beth Mueller, Deloitte’s US Tax Analytics leader.

The Future:

Many of you have noted that things seem to move very slowly at SIU. That is indeed true, but it also tends to be true of all universities. Unlike the corporate world, our environment is not command-and-control (alas!). Nevertheless, to internal eyes, we have moved remarkably fast! For example, unlike other units which began new initiatives only upon Chancellor Montemagno’s arrival, we commenced a full year before he arrived. Also, we are the first college at SIU to actually land (contracts signed) new tenure track professors. We not only look to the future with hope, but we are chomping at the bit to get there!

Thanks (again) our generous alumni are making it possible for us to commence planning for our third annual student career exploration trip--this year to Nashville. These trips give our students unique opportunities to experience (often for the first time) corporate environments; and to have their imaginations inspired by careers opportunities they may never have imagined before.

The College endeavors a formulation for our students along the lines of the following equation:

Education + business experiences = non-entitled, resilient, hit-the-ground-running, graduates

The terms of the left-hand side of the equation represent our inputs and processes. Our efforts to sharpen the education our students receive, will be enhanced by the new tenure track professor we have hired and by our pivot into Analytics. We have also gone to considerable lengths to expand our circle of corporate relations, to facilitate internships and job
opportunities for our students. Our Student Services Office (under the capable hands of Assistant Dean Bridgette Sargent) is in the process of beefing up and expanding student services’ staff to enhance student preparation and corporate engagement.

The terms on the right-hand side of the equation reflect what SIU has historically been known for. Our job is to ensure we continue delivering exactly that type of student, as the world changes.

Part of our students’ formation is to help them gain the polish needed to move confidently and smoothly in corporate and other professional settings. One piece of that formation is our Etiquette Dinner. Our 4th Etiquette Dinner will be held the evening of October 3rd 2019. We plan to bring in etiquette coach Melenie Broyles, to give the group a wonderfully instructive and fun introduction to the social niceties and professional behaviors surrounding work-related dining, etc. Also, our own Tom Boggs (CME Group Executive Director, Equity Products, SIUC ’73), will give the group his seasoned and inspiring wisdom on starting and negotiating their careers.

The New Year brings us the 150th anniversary of our university’s founding. We will celebrate this milestone in a number of ways.

- Our second annual Parrish Lecture Series and Award Ceremony. For this event, we bring in a keynote speaker, as well as honoring local businesses and leaders whose energy and passion have helped make Southern Illinois so special.
- With our Emerging Saluki Leader Award, we recognize recent graduates who have made an early impact in their professional fields and communities.

In conversations with interested alumni, I am increasingly convinced how valuable a service-learning requirement would be for our students. An emerging trend among private, and some public universities and business schools, the “service-learning” requirement aims at creating collaborative partnerships between the College and its community (broadly understood), connecting traditional academic coursework to meaningful public and/or non-profit service experiences. The goal of service-learning courses is to help round-out our students into civic-minded citizens, with a broader appreciation of the world. I hope to gain traction on this project in 2019.

Tree Climbing Goats and Business Schools:

I imagine some of you started reading this letter hung up on the notion of tree-climbing goats, and what they could possibly have to do with business schools.
The very challenging semi-desert environment of the Sous valley in southwestern Morocco, is the only place on earth Argan trees grow. These strange trees grow to around 30 ft. in height and live for approximately 200 years. Their trunks are thorny and gnarled, and their crowns spread to a circumference of 230 ft. The fruit of the Argan tree is valued by local Berber tribes...and by goats. But how do the goats gain the treasured fruit? They have skills specifically tuned to the purpose! With little else to survive on, these goats have become adept at navigating these very difficult trees, to secure their delicious fruit.

As you know, Illinois has been a very challenging environment for SIU and for your College in the past few years. In addition, the world of business schools is changing rapidly, with new forms of course delivery, new areas of interest, and new specializations. Among these changes, the plain-vanilla MBA is going away.

What to do? We could either die on the vine, or...we could learn from the tree-climbing goats! That is exactly what we have been doing, and what we will continue to do over the next few years: our online programs; our move into Analytics; our new certifications; aggressive Corporate relations efforts; new initiatives in student services, are all efforts to adapt ourselves to the challenges facing us. Thank you for the lesson tree-climbing goats!

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Terry Clark
Dean
College of Education and Human Services
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College Level News

News from Dean Matthew Keefer

I am proud to serve as Dean of the College of Education and Human Services (CoEHS) at Southern Illinois University, especially in this our sesquicentennial celebration! And, especially has SIU started as a normal school charged with the preparation of teacher educators. We remain proud of our students, faculty, and staff, and the many exciting nationally ranked degree programs that we offer (e.g., Tech/Vocational; Rehab Counseling; Social Work; Speech Pathology). We are also proud of core values and commitment to excellence of our Teacher Education Program and our Workforce Education program which is one of the oldest and largest of its kind in the country. We also continue to be proud that the CoEHS is classified among the top military friendly programs in the United States by Military Advanced Education. Below please find some of more specific recent accomplishments that also attest to our college’s ongoing commitment to excellence.

Day of Giving 2019

The College of Education and Human Services secured 91 contributions raising $68,295 during the 2019 Day of Giving. The College offered the chance for 2 students to receive $150 applied to their Bursar account.


Office of Teacher Education

March 2019: Rebecca McCrory a Spanish teacher at Du Quoin High School and two-degree SIU alum has just received the 2019 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching! Rebecca is an example of the outstanding classroom teachers who mentor our candidates in the Teacher Education Program.

edTPA is an evidence-based performance assessment of teacher candidate effectiveness, developed by Stanford University, which is required for all teacher candidates to pass before they apply for licensure to teach in the state of Illinois. The assessment is widely used throughout the United States as a capstone assessment to measure effectiveness in the classroom by focusing on student learning. Since Fall 2015, candidates from the SIUC College of Education and Human Services’ Teacher Education Programs have a 100% pass rate on edTPA in agriculture education, early childhood education, elementary education, K-12 music education, secondary English education, secondary history education, secondary mathematics education, secondary science education, technology and engineering education, K-12 visual arts education, and world languages education. Special education has a pass rate of 97%, and K-12 physical education has a pass rate of 93%. In the past 3 semesters, SIU candidates excelled by surpassing both the state and national average scores in agriculture education, early childhood education, K-12 music education, secondary English education, secondary history education, secondary science education, special education, technology and engineering education, and world languages education. The average total cut score for all candidates in the past three semesters is 46, surpassing the required Illinois cut score of 41. Every student teacher this semester received $100 voucher towards their edTPA because of contributions to SIU Day of Giving Teachers Shape the Future Funds.
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Kinesiology
The Dept. of Kinesiology Organization of Sport and Exercise Science once again served as the Fitness Screening Crew for the participants at the 2019 Southern Illinois Wellness Expo. As usual, they did a fantastic job and represented SIUC magnificently!

Rehabilitation Institute
January 2019, Renowned psychologist spoke at SIU. Psychologist Steven Hayes, a regular contributor to the “Huffington Post” and “Psychology Today” and the author of 44 books and hundreds of articles about human behavior, is speaking at Southern Illinois University Carbondale Friday and everyone is welcome to attend. His presentation, “Contextual Behavioral Psychology and the Future of a Behavioral Approach,” is set for 10 a.m. Jan. 11 at the John C. Guyon Auditorium at Morris Library. Hayes is a guest of SIU’s renowned Rehabilitation Institute and will be visiting the institute and the university’s Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders while on campus. (from Ruth Anne Rehfeldt)

February 2019. Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA). There was an enormous participation of CDS students and faculty who attended this conference in Chicago. The program portrays SIU as a leader in the state. (Ruth Anne Rehfeldt)

School of Social Work
February 2019. Elaine Jurkowski published “Policy and Program Planning for Older Adults and People with Disabilities”.

April 2019. School Safety Conference. Community members, school administrators, teachers and parents are invited to attend. Hussein Soliman (School of Social Work) and Jennifer Koran (CQMSE) are set to speak on Parents’ Perception of School Safety.

Education Administration Higher Education
March 2019. Southern Illinois Law and Leadership Conference, SIU. This is an opportunity to strengthen the southern Illinois leadership network and school partnerships. This conference is an important professional development and networking opportunity for principals, superintendents, school board members, and others in the southern Illinois region. (Saran Donahoo)


Counseling, Quantitative Methods, and Special Education
January 2019: Visiting Scholar Mami Miyake presented her findings of her research involving culture, group counseling, and Japanese workers in the United States. (from Kim Asner-Self)

Public Health and Recreation Professions
Spring 2019. Alexis Williams-Cavanaugh, senior in Recreation Professions, is currently completing her internship at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
March 2019: Two of our REC students were featured in story on WSILTV. SIU alum to paddle Mississippi River to raise veteran awareness: William Jack Falcon is completing his undergrad and Greg Nejmanowski is completing his MS, both in REC.

The 25th Annual John Allen Symposium to be held April 11th, 2019, at Touch of Nature Environmental Education Center, Makanda, IL.

The Elena M. Sliepecevich Centennial Symposium on the Future of School Health to be held April 5th, & the Robert Russell Symposium is to be held April 6th, 2019, at the Holiday Inn & Conference Center, Carbondale, IL.

STEM
January 2019. The 23rd annual Science in the South, a teacher professional development conference hosted at SIU. This brings together K-12 educators from across the state for a day of hands-on learning activities and lesson planning, preparing them to even better teach about science-related topics.

Curriculum and Instruction
February 2019. 34th Annual Conference on Teaching Mathematics (ICTM/Southern Section). This is excellent professional development experience for students.

February 2019. Cheng-Yao Lin, Curriculum and Instruction, was recently appointed department editor of the new National Council of Teachers of Mathematics practitioner journal, “Mathematics Teacher: Learning and Teaching PK-12.” The journal launches in January 2020 and reflects the current practices of mathematics education and looks at the future of the field.

February 28, 2019. D. John McIntyre, Curriculum and Instruction, received the Duaine C. Lang Distinguished Mentor in Teacher Education Award at the recent annual conference of the Association of Teacher Educators in Atlanta, Georgia.


March 2019. Partnership with Jennifer Smith’s students (bilingual SPAN307b). Create curriculum for Two-Way Immersion (Spanish and English) programs in elementary and secondary schools with sources from the Library of Congress.

Motorcycle Rider Program
2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the program with SIU being one of the first in the country. The Motorcycle Rider Program at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, conducts FREE Motorcycle Rider Courses throughout Southern Illinois. The courses are designed to provide a foundation of knowledge and skills for people who have never ridden as well as those who have ridden tens of thousands of miles. The purpose of the Motorcycle Rider Program is to provide quality instruction in safe riding techniques for beginning and experienced motorcyclists. Our goal is to increase your skill level and knowledge, to produce a safe and conscientious motorcyclist.
College of Engineering Brag Points – 2018/2019

We offer fully accredited degrees in these departments:
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering and Energy Processes
- Mining and Mineral Resources Engineering
- Technology

- We offer **seven undergraduate degrees**, six master's degrees, and Ph.D. degrees in engineering sciences and electrical and computer engineering. An on-line degree for a Master's in Manufacturing Systems was recently added.

- The college ranked in the Top 50 Best Master of Computer Engineering Programs for 2017 by the TFE Times.
- The robotics team swept the Association of Technology Management and Applied Engineering national robotics competition in November 2016, winning nearly half of all the possible points.
- The American Society of Civil Engineers SIU student chapter successfully hosted the 2018 regional concrete canoe and steel bridge competition, with both SIU teams qualifying for nationals. The accomplishment was rewarded by the American Institute of Steel Construction selecting SIU for its 2019 national finals of its Student Steel Bridge Competition, planned for May 31-June 1. About 40 teams and 600 to 700 participants from all over the nation plan to attend.
- The college received a new $1 million National Science Foundation STEM Leadership grant to fund scholarships in leadership.
- Kanchan Mondal, professor of mechanical engineering and energy processes, received the Best Presentation Award at the 19th International Conference on Chemical Engineering and Physical Sciences, Venice, Italy, June 2017.
- Terry Asher, a 1987 alumnus of the College of Engineering, has committed the first $1 million of a planned gift to support undergraduate student scholarships.
- The college's Leadership Development Program, created and funded by alumnus Dick Blaudow and his wife, Brigitte, won the Delyte Morris Award for Commitment and Excellence in Community Service in 2016 for its work with The Science Center of Southern Illinois.
- The American Society of Civil Engineers Concrete Canoe and Steel Bridge teams won first place at the regional competitions in 2016. Also, two teams from the college finished in the top 10 during the 2016 Human Exploration Rover Challenge, which is sponsored by NASA and previously was known as the “moonbuggy race.” Student teams also finished in two of the three top spots at the rover challenge in 2014.
- The college is home to the Center for Embedded Systems, a national consortium of electronics research funded by the National Science Foundation. The center is a joint effort among SIU’s College of Engineering, the Fulton School of Engineering at Arizona State University and private industry. Created in 2009, the center remains the only one of its kind funded by NSF in the nation.
March 19, 2019

SIU battlebot ‘Absaluki’ brings home first place in Robobrawl competition

by Tim Crosby

“Absaluki 3: Revenge of the Absaluki” sits on a workbench at Southern Illinois University Carbondale during its fabrication process earlier this year. The “battlebot” won the Robobrawl competition held March 9 at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Five other SIU robots also competed, with one placing third in the Midwestern Robotics Design Competition, also held that weekend. (Photo provided)

CARBONDALE, III. - Student robotics engineers from Southern Illinois University Carbondale made an impressive showing at the “Robobrawl” and another robot design competition held March 9 at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

SIU fielded six teams at the competitions, one of which featured 30-pound combat robots sluging it out two at a time in a double-elimination “battlebot” tournament. One SIU robot named “Absaluki 3: Revenge of the Absaluki,” came out undefeated in that contest, while another robot from the university finished in the top 16 and two others in the top 32.

Two other robots from SIU also competed in the Midwestern Robotics Design Competition, a large, objective-based competition that involved putting four robots into an obstacle course where they complete various tasks to earn points. The two robots that earn the most points in a round move onto the next round.

One SIU robot dubbed “Geoff,” took third place in the MRDC, while the other landed in the top 32 for the competition.

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Unstoppable drive train

Absaluki 3: Revenge of the Absaluki was the top bot in the battlebot competition. Lincoln Kinley, a senior in computer engineering and captain of the SIU team that fielded the champion, said the team’s strategy was to design and build a robot with a power drive train that was “practically indestructible” and a smaller weapon.

“In robot combat, even if you lose control of your weapon, as long as your robot can drive you are still counted as in,” Kinley said. “Our weapon ended up hardly working at the competition, however we still won first place due to the drive train never failing.”

Creative approaches to battle

SIU battlebot “Turtle Terminator” finished in the top 16 with two wins and two losses, while “Psychic Spoon” and “Prototype” went 1 and 2 for top 32 finishes. But even in defeat, SIU robots used colorful and imaginative offensive and defensive approaches.

“Turtle Terminator” featured a thick steel shell surrounding the inside of the robot. The armor proved impregnable throughout the competition.

“Psychic Spoon,” on the other hand, was equipped with a pneumatic flipper (later turned pneumatic puncher) aimed at flipping opponents out of the arena, winning by TKO.

“Prototype” used a lifter mechanism with electronic control to pick up other robots. It could then flip over opposing robots if they featured a non-invertible design, or dump them out of the arena if they did, both leading to TKO.

Low budget, high marks

In the MRDC competition, top SIU finisher “Geoff” was built by the “Budget Team,” meaning its designers could spend only $200 when competing against other robots costing as much as 50 times that amount. Saluki robotics engineers chose to see this self-imposed limit as an opportunity, rather than a disadvantage, Kinley said.

“Robots with an unlimited budget often end up overly complicated, which causes them to fail during the competition,” he said. “Our Budget Team’s robot ended up being very simple, but incredibly reliable as a result.”

Made primarily from wood, “Geoff” proved to be easily modifiable, which provided advantages, as well.

The final SIU robot competing in the MRDC, “Flying Sabertooth,” was fielded by SIU’s Senior Design Team and finished with a 1-and-1 record. It was perhaps the most ambitious design, originally envisioned as an autonomous, flying drone in order to capture the 8-time multiplier for points in the competition. (Although as of yet, no robot has managed to score a single point in this lofty category.)
"While we got the flying part working, the autonomous feature proved to be more difficult, and we ended up using a teleoperation control instead," Kinley explained.

**Team to do analysis**

The SIU Robotics team next turns its attention to the NASA Robotic Mining Competition, May 6-10 at Kennedy Space Center. It also will conduct an analysis of the previous competition to improve its performance next year.

"Around the same time, we are going to do a thorough cleanup of our workspace, which got quite chaotic leading up to the competition," Kinley said. "Next year, we plan on sending teams to Robobrawl and MRDC again, though we aren't sure how many."

**Robotics efforts teach many lessons**

Bruce DeRuntz, professor in the technology degree program, director of the Leadership Development Program Registered Student Organization in the College of Engineering and robotics team adviser, said such competitions are important to students on many levels.

"It's the culmination of a year of their hard work which began as an idea, developed into a design, built into a machine and now gets to be tested against some of the best teams in the country," DeRuntz said. "When they come away from this competition as a champion or top-place finisher, they know that the education they are receiving in and out of the classroom at SIU can hold up against anyone in the Midwest."

The team's long-standing motto - "We build a team before we build a robot" - also is affirmed in the process, DeRuntz said.

"That strategy has led them to two other championships," he said.

Kinley said SIU robotics gives students an opportunity to apply what they learn in classes to real-world scenarios.

"The experience we have is invaluable for being a real engineer," Kinley said. "We learn the wide variety of skills required to design, fabricate and execute robotics projects, we learn to take ownership of our designs, and perhaps most importantly, we learn to work together as a diverse team to overcome any obstacle."
SIU named to host 2019 national engineering competition

by Tim Crosby

Members of the Southern Illinois University Carbondale steel bridge team compete in the Midcontinent Student Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers, hosted by SIU in April. (Photo by Steve Buhman)

CARBONDALE, Ill. – Engineers-in-training from around the country will descend on Southern Illinois University Carbondale this spring for a national competition that challenges bridge designers seeking the ultimate in strength and efficiency.

The American Institute of Steel Construction has announced SIU as the host for the 2019 national finals for its Student Steel Bridge Competition. The event is May 31-June 1, with about 40 teams and 600 to 700 participants from all over the nation. Top regional competition from throughout the nation will qualify to compete.

"It is always an honor to be selected to host a national conference or competition. Such activities bring national recognition to the quality of our civil engineering program, our college and university," said John Warwick, dean of the College of Engineering.
Steady growth in national student competition

The Student Steel Bridge Competition was first held in 1987 as a competition of three schools in Michigan, said Christina Harber, who is helping organize the competition on behalf of its sponsor, the American Institute of Steel Construction. That number grew to 13 schools by 1992, when the first national competition was held.

Since those early days, the competition has grown, with 42 schools participating in the finals this year.

SIU Carbondale hosted regional contest earlier this year

This past April, SIU hosted the Midcontinent Student Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers, which included the AISC regional steel bridge contest, among others. SIU engineering teams won top spot in both the steel bridge and concrete canoe competitions – the first time SIU teams won first in both competitions. About 16 teams attended that event, with the university receiving many compliments on how smoothly it went.

Harber said SIU students approached her during that competition, inquiring about hosting the national competition for the steel bridge portion.

“The Student Steel Bridge Competition is one of our most important programs with the national finals as one of our largest events,” Harber said. “SIU has the experience, enthusiasm and support from students, the department, alumni and the community to make this a remarkable event and an outstanding experience for the students.”

Opportunity to showcase SIU Carbondale’s programs

Sanjeev Kumar, chair of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, said the competition is one of the largest in which engineering students participate.

“An invitation to host this event demonstrates that SIU is a comprehensive university with the infrastructure needed to host such an event, and the confidence that AISC has in our students’ ability,” Kumar said. “This is an exceptional opportunity for us to showcase the Saluki Country and Saluki hospitality to the national audience. I have full confidence in our students to make this event even more successful than the regional.”

Warwick said 2019 will mark the first time the American Institute of Steel Construction is organizing the event.

“It is therefore a special honor to be recognized for our past performance and to know that we will now be setting expectations for future hosting of this high-profile event,” he said.
SIU engineering students host annual conference, do well in competitions
by Tim Crosby
April 25, 2018

Members of the Southern Illinois University Carbondale concrete canoe team compete in last weekend’s Midcontinent Student Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers, hosted by SIU. SIU students won first place in the technical paper competition, while the concrete canoe and steel bridge teams both took second in their respective competitions. The SIU GeoWall team – the first one ever fielded by the university – took third place. (Photo by Russell Bailey)

CARBONDALE, Ill. – Teams from Southern Illinois University Carbondale placed well in annual engineering competition hosted by the university last weekend.

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SIU and its students stand out

More than 400 engineering students from 14 universities participated in the Midcontinent Student Conference of the American Society of Civil Engineers, April 19-21 at SIU.

Students, faculty and staff from the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering organized the event, which was one of just 18 such student conferences planned nationwide this year.

“Our Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering is not as large as some in the ASCE Midcontinent region, but our student organizing committee offered a breadth and quality of conference experiences that will be difficult for even the largest departments to match,” said John Warwick, dean of the College of Engineering.

Warwick also praised Mansor Sufran, a master’s student civil engineering, for his leadership in organizing the event.

Team moves on to nationals

With its second-place finish, the steel bridge team will head to the national competition at the University of Illinois in late May. The concrete canoe team also has a chance for a berth at the national competition, owing to an excellent annual report written for the ASCE, said William Eichfeld, assistant professor of civil and environmental engineering, and adviser for the student ASCE chapter at SIU.
“The report means they will be entered into a lottery with some of the other second-place teams and they may still get an invitation,” Eichfeld said. “I have not yet heard anything, but if they are invited, they will compete in the national competition in San Diego at the end of June.”

**Rave reviews for campus, community**

Sanjeev Kumar, chair of the civil and environmental engineering department, said SIU received many compliments from visiting students and faculty on the event.

“Everyone was really impressed with our beautiful campus and really enjoyed the Saluki hospitality,” Kumar said.

Eichfeld said the well-run event helped visitors see SIU and the Carbondale area.

“Everyone saw many parts of our beautiful campus and the *City of Carbondale,*” he said. “Based on comments and conversations, everyone was impressed with the way that the campus community worked together and the hospitality that they were shown during a well-organized indoor/outdoor event.”

**Event helps prepare young engineers**

Eichfeld said planning the conference and participating in the competitions benefitted the engineering students in multiple ways.

“The technical skills that were employed by the competition teams went beyond the classroom and required research and creativity,” he said. “Also, planning and organizing the conference took communication, scheduling, collaboration, critical thinking, problem solving, initiative, leadership, teamwork, and of course, time management.”

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Leadership Development Program

The Leadership Development Program is designed to educate the next generation of technical leaders for world's future through leadership training, mentoring and community service opportunities.

We are one of very few STEM colleges in the nation that offers a technical leadership program that provides a direct bridge from leadership training to a career as a technical leader.

PROGRAM HISTORY

The SIUC Leadership Development Program was founded in 2006 by Dick Blaudow, an SIUC engineering alumnus and CEO of Advanced Technology Services based out of Peoria, IL. Blaudow along with his wife, Brigitte, established the program as a way to help develop the next generation of America’s technical leaders.

The program continues to improve and expand since its inception by never losing focus on our vision, mission, and core values that guide our tradition of success and excellence.

Vision: To become the premier university program which develops global technical leaders.

Mission: Through team work, we push harder, faster, and further than anyone thought possible, achieving world-class results.

Motto 1: Excellence in everything we do

Motto 2: Challenge yourself. Change the world!

Core Values
The values of the Leadership Development Program reflect the top trait of a good leader: Our SHARED Values are Safety, Honesty, Accountability, Empathy, Respect, and Dedication.
Activity update across the college, October 2018–March 2019:

Accomplishments within the Arts

*Wendi R. Zea, Associate Professor of Theater, completed the costume design for a national tour of Noël, a new Christmas musical. It opened in Minneapolis on November 17, and is touring to various cities through December 17.

*School of Art & Design had two students selected to exhibit their work in the IBHE 2019 Long Term exhibit in Springfield, IL. Meg Howton, MFA, First Year, Ceramics and Chris Luper, BFA Painting.

*Zoe Jensen, BFA Musical Theater 2017, appeared in a new musical, off Broadway, New York. http://tigersmusical.com/?fbclid=IwAR0OYIu16CDa2LhG4t29k_a0d9DUkoSTYdc9CTQws0gDC3_BVxi3fy2193M


*Najjar Abdul-Musawwir, Professor of Drawing/Painting/Core Curriculum for the School of Art and Design, was one of the artists featured at the exhibition for Black History Month at Hagerman Art Gallery at Hannibal LaGrange University. Congrats! Please check out the article here https://www.whig.com/20190315/closing-reception-highlights-hannibal-black-history-month-exhibit#.

*Dr. Junghwa Lee, Associate Professor of Piano at the School of Music, has a compact disc recording project of Clara Schumann’s Solo Piano Music commemorating her 200th birth year in 2019 which has been accepted by a reputable recording label, Grand Piano label of Naxos Records. In addition, her proposal to present Clara Schumann’s solo piano works representing her life before and after her marriage entitled *Compositions and Life of Clara Wieck vs. Clara
Schumann* has been accepted into the 2019 College Music Society National Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, October 24-26, 2019. Congrats!

*Robert Lopez, Associate Professor of Art & Design, received a SIU Foundation Board Research Award for $5,000.

*Mark Pease, Associate Professor of Art & Design, received a SIU Foundation Board Research Award for $2,500.

*Thomas Fagerholm, Assistant Professor in Theater, received a SIU Foundation Board Research Award for $5,000.

Accomplishments within the Humanities


*Dr. Nilanjana Bardhan, Professor of Communication Studies, was named a 2019 recipient of the University Women of Distinction Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize employees who have demonstrated a sustained commitment to women and/or issues of diversity through demonstrated leadership, vision, or actions in a profession, in an area of expertise, or in service to the University community.

*Dr. Sandy Pensoneau-Conway, Associate Professor & Interim Chair of Communication Studies, was selected as one of two 2019 Celebrate Women Faculty Mentoring Award winners.

*Dr. Pamela Smoot, Assistant Professor of History, winner of the 2019 Faculty Appreciation/Recognition Award from the SIU Carbondale chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists (NABI-SIU). [https://cola.siu.edu/history/featured-persons/feature-smoot-award.php](https://cola.siu.edu/history/featured-persons/feature-smoot-award.php)

*Dr. Shu-Ling Wu from LCIT published a textbook, Mastering Advanced Modern Chinese through the Classics, Routledge, 2018. This textbook aims to help students both attain advanced proficiency and cultural competence in modern Chinese, and to experience the beauty of Classical Chinese literature. Collecting representative works containing vibrant views of Chinese culture from different dynasties, this book is focused on how the grammatical patterns, vocabulary, and idioms that are found in Classical Chinese are relevant in the modern adaptation of the language, and how the accumulated traditional values and beliefs found there still shape the thinking and lifestyle of modern society.
*Jennifer Smith*, Associate Professor of Spanish, and Grant Miller, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, who received a $2,500 SIU Foundation Grant for the project "Educating with Evidence in Español."

*Professor of History Natasha Zaretsky’s book “Radiation Nation: Three Mile Island and the Political Transformation of the 1970s” (Columbia UP) has received an Outstanding Academic Title Award from Choice for 2018. Every year in the January issue, Choice publishes a list of Outstanding Academic Titles that were reviewed during the previous calendar year. This prestigious list reflects the best in scholarly titles reviewed by Choice and brings with it the extraordinary recognition of the academic library community.

*Dr. Jennifer Smith*, from the Department of Languages, Cultures, and International Trade, published *Modern Spanish Women as Agents of Change: Essays in Honor of Maryellen Bieder*. This edited anthology brings together cutting-edge research on modern Spanish women as writers, activists, and embodiments of cultural change. The essays are innovative in their consideration of lesser-known women writers, focus on women as political activists, and use of post-colonialism, queer theory, spatial theory, and affect theory to examine the period from the Enlightenment until World War II. The contributors study women as agents and representations of social change in a variety of genres, including short stories, novels, plays, personal letters, and journalistic pieces. Canonical authors such as Emilia Pardo Bazán, Leopoldo Alas “Clarín,” and Carmen de Burgos are considered alongside lesser known writers and activists such as María Rosa Gálvez, Sofía Tartilán, and Caterina Alberti Paradis. [https://www.rutgersuniversitypress.org/modern-spanish-women-as-agents-of-change/9781684480326](https://www.rutgersuniversitypress.org/modern-spanish-women-as-agents-of-change/9781684480326)

*Craig Engstrom*, Assistant Professor of Communication Studies, received a SIU Foundation Board Research Award for $8,900.

*Pinckney Benedict*, Professor of English, received a SIU Foundation Board Research Award for $7,554.

**Accomplishments within the Social Sciences**

*Anthropology PhD student Christiane Baigent, was awarded over $100,000 in grant funds from the National Institute of Justice’s Graduate Research Fellowship program to support her dissertation research. This work focuses on understanding human decomposition at extreme high altitudes and how that process differs from what we currently know about decomposition in lower altitudes. Ms. Baigent’s advisor is Gretchen Dabbs.

*Geography and Environmental Resources Master’s student Sourav Bhadra received the Best Poster by a Graduate Student Award at the 5th Annual Natural Sciences Student Research Symposium, held on November 9th. He competed against students from Ecology, Zoology, Plant Biology, and Microbiology.*
*Dr. Leslie Duram, Professor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Resources, has published her fourth book. This one is called "Environmental Geography: People and the Environment." The publisher's website notes that the book provides "clear, honest, and down-to-earth essays" that cover human impacts on the environment and the movement to create a more sustainable future. 

*Department of Geography & Environmental Resources announces that Ms. Julia Ryherd is a recipient of the Southern Illinois University 2018 Outstanding Thesis Award for her thesis entitled, "Quantifying the Rates and Spatial Distribution of Recent Sedimentation Within the Hydrologically Connected Floodplains of the Middle Mississippi River, USA, Using Digital Elevation Models and Dendrogeomorphology"! Julia graduated in 2017 and Dr. Jonathan Remo was her faculty advisor.
SIU School of Law
Report for the SIU Alumni Association Board
April 2019
Interim Dean Cindy G. Buys

I am pleased to submit this semi-annual report to the Alumni Association covering the period October 2018-March 2019.

Innovative Programming During 2018-19

We continue to offer our students innovative programming at the School of Law including:

- **Legal Globalization and Comparative Law: Germany** is being offered this spring semester. After studying German history, law and culture, students completing this course spent a week visiting international criminal tribunals in Germany and The Hague during spring break. They also are researching and writing in-depth papers about various aspects of comparative and international criminal law.

- **Women in Leadership Workshop and Dinner**: Students attended this two-day workshop on diversity and leadership in January. The program culminated in an annual networking dinner at which we honored Dr. Marsha Ryan with a lifetime achievement award; Kimberly Kuhlengal Jones with a Trailblazer Award; and firm of Keuler, Kelly, Hutchins, Blakenship & Sigler of Paducah, KY with the Pathways Award for the firm’s support and promotion of women.

- **Business Boot Camp**: This two-day workshop during winter intersession introduced students to the vocabulary, concepts, and skills necessary to effectively communicate with and advise business clients.

- **Clinical Programs**: The professors and students in our five live client clinics and programs served approximately 1155 persons over the past year with either legal information or direct legal representation. As part of our Veterans’ Legal Assistance Program, the law school hosted a Veterans Day of Service on Nov. 6, 2018 to assist veterans with a wide array of legal issues.

- **National Health Law Moot Court Competition**: Once again this year, the School of Law hosted this highly regarded and competitive moot court competition bringing teams from around the country to SIU Carbondale.
Distinguished Lecture Series 2018-19:

The law school hosted a number of topical lectures by distinguished scholars:

- October 2018: Juan Carlos Linares gave the Hiram H. Lesar Distinguished Lecture on "Housing as a Human Right."
- January 2019: Hon. Professor Justice Oagile Bethuel Key Dingake of Botswana spent a week at the law school sharing his judicial experiences as the Beatty Jurist-in-Residence.
- March 2019: Dr. Alex London was the John and Marsha Ryan Bioethicist-in-Resident Lecture. His topic was "Artificial Intelligence in Medicine: Does Accountability Require Explainability?"
- March 2019: Dr. Shruti Rajagopalan presented the Simonds Lectureship on Democracy on Property Rights and Wrongs.

Student News

Several SIU law students have been recognized for their outstanding achievements by outside organizations, including:

- 2L Elizabeth Reynolds – Justinian Society Award
- 1L Amanda Floray – Joyce A. Kelly Memorial Scholarship
- 2L Jarmeika Taylor – Essay Contest Winner, Court of Appeals Veterans Claims Judicial Conference
- 3L Keegan Nowlin – Diversity Committee Bar Exam Preparation Scholarship

One of the School of Law's moot court teams swept the Philadelphia Regional of the American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition and is headed to the national competition in Chicago in April.

Faculty News

The School of Law hired a new Director of Academic Success, Stan Cox, who started his appointment in January. His role will be to work with our students on skills needed to succeed in law school and on the bar exam. The School of Law also hired Sheila Simon as a tenure-track professor to teach Property Law and other courses.

Three professors were approved by the faculty, Dean, and Provost for promotion from Assistant to Associate Professor with tenure: Jennifer Brobst, Edward Dawson and
Alicia Jones. We are currently awaiting confirmation of their promotion and tenure by the Board of Trustees.

Scholarship, teaching, and service –
The last half year has seen the faculty excel, in the process providing visibility for itself and the School of Law on a national scale. Since October of last year, the faculty has published 16 journal articles and five books or book updates. It has also given over a dozen presentations at scholarly and policy-oriented conferences, colloquia, and symposia. It complemented these appearances with about four training- and teaching-oriented activities, ranging from teaching CLEs locally to guest lecturing at Duke Law School. The faculty’s excellence has paid off in the form of two awards and nearly a dozen media appearances.

Assistant Professor Alicia Jones was honored with the university-wide mentoring award at the Celebrate Women event in March.

Alumni Development

Board of Visitors – In October 2018, we began exploring the reestablishment of the School of Law’s Board of Visitors (BOV), which had not met for the last eight years. The response from alumni was positive and the new BOV held its first official meeting in January 2019. As a result of those meetings, the BOV created a new scholarship program in honor of Rep. Bill Enyart to assist law students with expenses related to studying for the bar exam.

The Law School hosted a reunion dinner and tailgate for alumni on Homecoming Weekend in October and hosted a number of receptions for alumni in St. Louis, Chicago, Springfield, Murphysboro, Peoria, Paducah, and Washington, D.C.
April 3, 2019

TO: Jeffrey Parks, MD
School of Medicine Alumni Representative to the SIU Alumni Association Board

FROM: Julie Robbs, MA
Director of Alumni Affairs

RE: Spring 2019 SIU-C Alumni Association Board Meeting

Listed below are news items to report from the School of Medicine (SOM) at the Spring Alumni Association Board meeting.

1. Class of 2019 Residency Match Results - Senior medical students in the graduating Class of 2019 at SIU School of Medicine received results from the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) on Friday, March 15, at the same time other U.S. medical students learned their matches to postgraduate training programs. Sixty-three SIU seniors have secured residency positions. Ten students (16%) will specialize in family medicine, and nine (14%) will specialize in internal medicine, and six students (10%) will begin residencies in radiology. Five (8%) will go into emergency medicine, five (8%) will specialize in obstetrics-gynecology and five (8%) will specialize it anesthesiology. General surgery attracted four students (6%), and pediatrics, plastic surgery and orthopedic surgery each attracted three students (5%). Surgery-preliminary, radiation oncology, dermatology, psychiatry, neurology, neurodevelopmental disabilities, neurosurgery, medicine-pediatrics, pathology, and physical medicine & rehabilitation each attracted one student (2%). Fifteen (24%) of the 63 senior medical students will begin their residency training in SIU-affiliated programs. The class will graduate May 18. http://www.siumed.edu/studentaffairs/highlights/siu-med-students-residency-programs-meet-their-match.html

2. The American Council of Academic Plastic Surgeons has named Michael Neumeister, MD, FACS, chair of the Department of Surgery and a professor of surgery at SIU School of Medicine, the organization's first Outstanding Faculty Teacher. The council will present the award during its annual business meeting on Saturday, April 6, in Baltimore. http://www.siumed.edu/surgery/highlights/siu-surgeon-earns-outstanding-faculty-teacher-award.html

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4. Susan Thompson Hingle, MD, has been selected as the Associate Dean for the Center for Human and Organizational Potential (cHOP) at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. Dr. Hingle will direct and guide the development the new center’s programs, with focus on wellness, leadership and excellence, and professional development. The Center for Human and Organizational Potential was launched this fall. cHOP will invest in SIU’s employees and the community through personal and professional growth. Its goal is to achieve improvement in lives and health through focus areas in wellness, work preparedness, professional growth, retraining and faculty development and promotion. http://www.siumed.edu/im/highlights/hingle-named-associate-dean-new-siu-center-human-and-organizational-potential.html

5. Two NIH Grants Boost SIU Alzheimer’s Research: A laboratory team led by Erin Hascup, PhD, assistant professor in the Departments of Neurology and Pharmacology at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, has been awarded two grants totaling $6.33 million from the National Institute on Aging (NIA) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The group has shown that glutamate dysregulation is likely occurring prior to cognitive decline. http://www.siumed.edu/mc/highlights/two-nih-grants-boost-siu-alzheimers-research.html

6. SIU Pediatrics Earns National Recognition: The Department of Pediatrics at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine has obtained a Level 3 status as the first pediatric-specific, multi-specialty clinic to be recognized as a Patient-Centered Specialty Practice (PCSP) in the state of Illinois. The recognition, awarded by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, signifies that the Springfield practice has met quality standards and excels at care delivery and coordination. http://www.siumed.edu/mc/highlights/siu-pediatrics-earns-national-recognition.html
Hello, my name is Rachel Seay, and I am the elected SAC President for the 2018-2019 school year.

I want to extend a thank you to the SIU Alumni Association and the Board of Directors for all of the continuous support that you provide to the SAC team. Without you, we would not be able to plan and effectively execute our community service, academic, leadership, and engagement activities. We are also grateful for the opportunities to network and learn from fellow Saluki alumni.

Throughout this semester, SAC had been a part of numerous events held by the Alumni Association. In January, members volunteered at the Textbook Awards Ceremony, which supported student excellence by supplying students with their textbooks for the semester. SACers were able to network with college Deans and learn the impact of being a Saluki from other students. Furthermore, it was a lesson in how Association members impact students and the importance of philanthropy. In March, members volunteered at the Extern Ceremony, which recognized students that spent their Spring Break working with a company that is in their future career field. SACers were able to learn about the experience from fellow students, as well as network with local alumni. In addition to SIU Alumni Association sponsored events, SAC has taken part in doing our monthly Adopt-A-Spot. Members head to E. Main Street and pick up litter off the side of the road stretching from Panda Express to Regions Bank. It is a great way for the community to see students care about the area, and we have received many thanks from doing this.

Currently, SAC is undergoing a transformation. Due to low membership numbers, a discussion is underway to restructure SAC as an ambassador group, striving to promote Saluki spirit, pride, tradition and opportunities. Membership will be competitive, based on academics, full-time enrollment in the university, and a student’s willingness to donate at least 5 hours per week to student programming. Looking forward, I believe this change would benefit SAC and the Alumni Association, and I hope that the organization continues to not only exist, but thrive for years to come.
Being a leader of a RSO has helped me learn who I am and how exciting it is to call myself a Saluki. In SAC, we all work together to help improve not only the campus, but also the community as a whole. Each Saluki has a purpose, and our SACers have shown they are all extremely ambitious and excited to change the world. Again, thank you for allowing SAC to change people’s lives with our community, leadership, and alumni outreach.

Thank you, and GO SALUKIS!

Respectfully,

Rachel Seay, Student Alumni Council President