

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT 2014





"SIUE is a vibrant, growing campus with unlimited potential as a premier student-centered educational community."

Julie Furst-Bowe SIUE Chancellor





A MESSAGE FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville has a long and storied history of collaboration for the greater good. Just as English poet John Donne wrote that "no man is an island," so, too, no successful institution of higher education can stand alone and hope to reach its full potential. SIUE is partnering with a number of quality universities and colleges from around the globe to offer excellent academic opportunity and, in so doing, solidify the economic footing of individual communities.

In this report, you will read about the strides that the University has taken over the past year to expand its reach, contemporize operations, and meet the needs of our academic partners. SIUE's notable national achievements make us an attractive collaborative option for international institutions, but we maintain a very strong commitment to the local and regional community.

Here are some of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville's most recent achievements:

- U.S. News & World Report lists SIUE among the best Regional
 Universities Midwest for the 11th consecutive year and among the top
 15 public universities in that category. SIUE is also included among
 the 2015 "Up and Comers" among Midwest regional universities.
 Overall scores are based on the academic preparedness of students,
 graduation rates, faculty characteristics and the reputation of SIUE in
 higher education.
- After being on the list for five consecutive years now, for the first time, SIUE has earned a place among *Washington Monthly's* Top 40 for master's universities in the nation. SIUE is first among all master's institutions in Illinois on the national magazine's rankings which look at institutions' "contributions to the public good in three categories: Social Mobility, Research and Service."
- SIUE has received the 2014 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) award from *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine, the oldest and largest diversity-focused publication in higher education. We are very proud of this and remain committed to promoting and enhancing the diversity of the University population.



(From left to right) Narbeth R. Emmanuel, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; Parviz H. Ansari, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Julie A. Furst-Bowe, Chancellor; Kenneth R. Neher, Vice Chancellor for Administration; and Rachel C. Stack, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement

- The U.S. Department of Labor has selected SIUE and its community college partners to receive nearly \$10 million in funding from its Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training competitive grant program. The funds will allow SIUE to partner with area employers in establishing career pathways that prepare students for jobs in the fields of bioprocessing and water management.
- For a sixth consecutive year, Victory Media has named SIUE to its list
 of Military Friendly Schools. SIUE is among the top 20 percent of
 U.S. colleges, universities and trade schools offering support programs
 for veterans and active-duty military personnel in order to ensure their
 educational success.
- This fall, SIUE's record freshman class holds an ACT average of 23.5,
 the highest in the University's history; the headcount for new transfer
 students represents the second largest fall transfer class in the history
 of SIUE; total international enrollment is at the highest level in 10
 years; and, for Fall 2014, SIUE has record high enrollment for both
 African American students and Hispanic students.

The future of higher education depends on collaborative and progressive modes of operation. SIUE is proud to be a leader in both areas, and we look forward to the coming year in which innovative programming and contemporary methods of delivery will combine to yield exciting opportunities for the citizens of Southwestern Illinois and our global partners.

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All the best,

Julie Furst-Bowe, EdD

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SIUE Chancellor

ABOUT SIUE

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville provides students with a high-quality, affordable education that prepares them for successful careers and lives of purpose. Built on the foundation of a broad-based liberal education, and enhanced by hands-on research and real-world experiences, the academic preparation SIUE students receive equips them to thrive in the global marketplace and make our communities better places to live.

Situated on 2,660 acres of beautiful woodland atop the bluffs overlooking the natural beauty of the Mississippi River's rich bottom land and only a short drive from downtown St. Louis, the SIUE campus is home to a diverse student body of nearly 14,000.

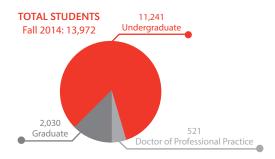
SIUE awards degrees in undergraduate and graduate programs encompassing the arts and sciences, nursing, education, business and engineering. The Schools of Dental Medicine and Pharmacy award doctor's first professional degrees in dental medicine (DMD) and pharmacy (PharmD). The Schools of Nursing and Education award doctoral degrees in nursing practice (DNP) and educational leadership (EdD).

SIUE is an NCAA Division I member of the Ohio Valley Conference, as well as the Missouri Valley Conference in men's soccer and the Southern Conference in wrestling. The main campus includes University Park, a research park established to support economic development. The Edwardsville campus is supplemented by campuses in Alton and East St. Louis.

Operating Budget (Fiscal Year 2015)

Appropriated & income funds	\$149,196,650
Non-appropriated grants & contracts	\$36,702,900
Indirect cost recovery	\$2,575,305
Revenue bond operations	\$45,462,574
Self-supporting activities	\$36,699,520
Benefits (Estimated 2014)	\$82,987,156
Total	\$353,624,105

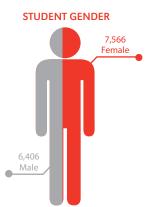
SIUE COMMUNITY AT A GLANCE

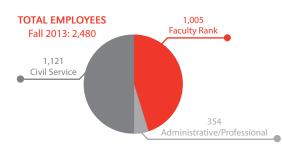




95,000+ TOTAL ALUMNI







GEOGRAPHIC ORIGIN OF STUDENTS



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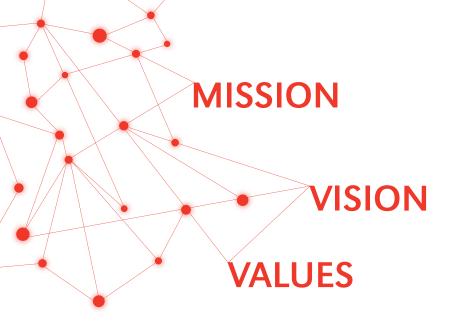
ACT SCORE

Illinois Average 20.7

National Average

Fall 2014 Freshman Class





Mission

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville is a student-centered educational community dedicated to communicating, expanding and integrating knowledge. In a spirit of collaboration enriched by diverse ideas, our comprehensive and unique array of undergraduate and graduate programs develops professionals, scholars and leaders who shape a changing world.

Vision

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville will achieve greater national and global recognition and academic prominence through innovative and interdisciplinary programs that empower individuals to achieve their full potential.

Values

Recognizing public education as the cornerstone of a democracy, SIUE fulfills its mission based on certain fundamental, shared values. We value:

Citizenship

- Social, civic and political responsibility--globally, nationally, locally, and within the University
- Active partnerships and a climate of collaboration and cooperation among students, faculty, staff, alumni and the larger community
- Sustainable practices in environmental, financial and social endeavors

Excellence

- High-quality learning within and beyond the classroom
- Continuous improvement and innovation
- Outstanding scholarship and public service

Inclusion

- A welcoming and supportive environment
- Openness to the rich diversity of humankind in all aspects of university life
- Respect for individuals, differences, and cultures
- · Intellectual freedom and diversity of thought

Integrity

- Accountability to those we serve and from whom we receive support
- Honesty in our communications and in our actions

Wisdom

- Creation, preservation, and sharing of knowledge
- Application of knowledge in a manner that promotes the common good
- Life-long learning





"UP AND COMING"

AMONG MIDWEST REGIONAL UNIVERSITIES by *U.S. News & World Report*

RANKED 40
TOP 40
MASTER'S UNIVERSITIES
in the nation by Washington Monthly

MIDWEST UNIVERSITIES TO BE RECOGNIZED AS AN "UP AND COMING" UNIVERSITY by U.S. News & World Report

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SAFEST COLLEGES
in the nation by The Daily Beast

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MILITARY FRIENDLY
SCHOOL
by Victory Media

TIME RECIPIENT OF THE 2014
HIGHER EDUCATION EXCELLENCE
IN DIVERSITY AWARD

by INSIGHT Into Diversity

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CONSECUTIVE YEAR
ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S
HIGHER EDUCATION
COMMUNITY SERVICE
HONOR ROLL

IN EXPENDITURES FOR RESEARCH by Washington Monthly





STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND RETENTION

SIUE's fall 2014 semester features a record freshman class of 2,126 students. First-year students contribute to a record full-time student body of 10,979 students. Overall enrollment grew to 13,972 or one percent more than last fall.

Another part of the enrollment growth story is a 3.5 percent increase in first-year retention rate. Among the fall 2013 freshman class, 73.2 percent of those students returned for their sophomore year.

"As the awareness of SIUE's academic programs and services continues to grow, we will seek to expand the SIUE brand and capitalize on new opportunities," said SIUE Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe.

Fall 2014 Enrollment Highlights Undergraduate Enrollment Increases

- 13.2% in the School of Engineering
- 7.2% in the School of Nursing
- 5.1% in the School of Education, Health and Human Behavior
- 4.9% in the School of Business

Record Total Enrollment

- School of Engineering: 1,672 students
- School of Nursing: 1,424 students
- School of Pharmacy: 380 students

New Graduate Enrollment

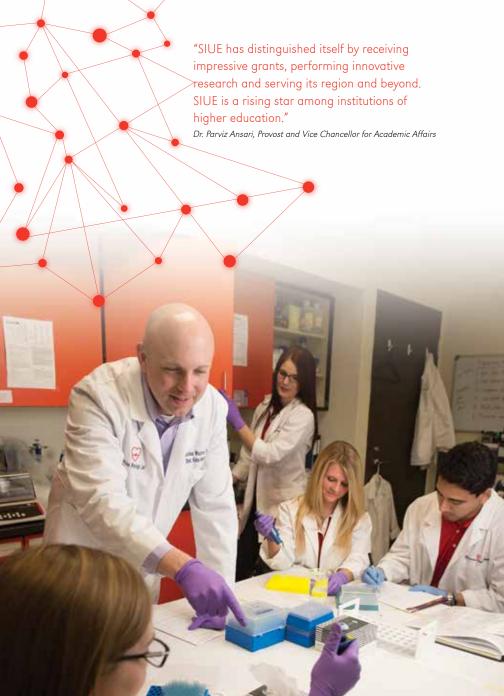
• 10% increase

International Enrollment: 420 students

• First time in 10 years that international enrollment has surpassed 400

• New graduate international enrollment: 38% increase

• Total international enrollment: 27% increase



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

"SIUE is an excellent student-centered university with a proud history.

SIUE is among the top universities in the Midwest and is recognized for its nationally ranked professional programs," said Dr. Parviz Ansari, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. "We are among an elite group of up-and-coming universities in the country. Our faculty and staff are dedicated to excellence in teaching as they engage students in research and hands-on education"

Recognizing that scholarship contributes to quality teaching and educational initiatives, SIUE faculty are committed to translating innovative research into student learning opportunities and success. Last year, SIUE faculty produced:

- 101 Book chapters
- 19 Books
- 1,175 Professional presentations
- 283 Peer-reviewed journal articles
- 185 External awards totaling \$34.9 million
- 84 Research awards totaling \$5.02 million

Committed to enhancing its academic offerings to address ever-changing employment needs, the University added the following new programs last year:

- Bachelor's degree in nutrition
- Master's degree in college student personnel administration
- DNP specialization in nurse anesthesia
- PharmD specialization in pediatrics

In an effort to meet student demand, expand course offerings and increase enrollment, SIUE continues to focus on online education. Over the last year:

• Online course offerings increased 36.2%

• Students enrolled online increased 56%



COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

The College of Arts and Sciences is committed to helping students explore diverse ideas, experiences and people while fostering students' abilities to think and live as fulfilled, productive members of a global society. Study abroad, service learning, internships, and other experiential learning opportunities better prepare SIUE students not only to succeed in our region's workplaces, but also to become valued leaders who make important contributions to our communities.

"Thinking About Movement"

The annual research colloquium saw attendance of 1,000 +

For 30 years, the Arts & Issues series has brought artistic excellence to the SIUE campus through an eclectic blend of speakers and performers. More than 4,000 people attended the 2013-2014 season.

The renovation of the Art and Design Building and the addition of the new Science Laboratory West contribute to an enriched studio and laboratory experience for SIUE students, faculty and staff.

Art and Design Building

- · Certified LEED Gold
- \$9 million expansion offers 29,000-square-feet of additional space
- Includes a spacious art gallery, painting and drawing studios, and graduate student studio and critique space

Science Laboratory West

- · Certified LEED Silver
- \$52 million project includes 20 new teaching labs, 49 research labs and 65 faculty offices, and houses biological sciences, chemistry and environmental sciences



SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The School of Business offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in accounting, computer management and information systems, economics, finance, management, and marketing. For the ninth consecutive year, the School of Business is named an outstanding business school by *The Princeton Review*. "The Best 296 Business Schools: 2015 Edition" recommends the School as one of the best institutions in the U.S. from which students can earn an MBA.

AACSB ACCREDITED

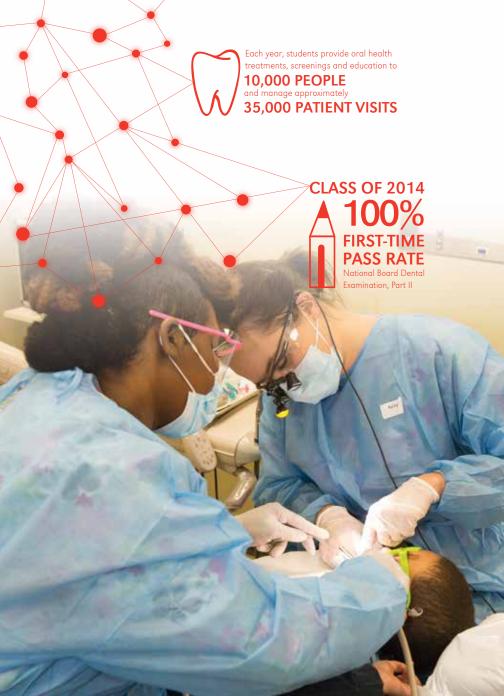
The School of Business is among an elite five percent of business schools worldwide that have earned the prestigious accreditation from the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International (AACSB International). Less than 25 percent of AACSB accredited schools also hold

the accounting accreditation. The School has been accredited since 1975, and the accounting program achieved separate accreditation in 1987.

Graduate students won the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) Interuniversity Cup for the third-consecutive year. The case study competition provides business students with real-world experience in mergers and acquisitions, investment banking, financial advisory and private equity experience. The students competed and won against teams from Washington University and the University of Missouri-St. Louis.

The Collegiate Entrepreneurs student organization hosted the fourth annual pitch competition, "The Other 40." Faculty and regional business consultants coached aspiring entrepreneurs from all majors on developing a business plan. Winners received cash prizes to help bring their ideas closer to reality.

The economics and finance program was recently named to the Financial Engineer's 2015 Financial Economics Rankings. Overall scores are based on the program's acceptance rate, incoming students' undergraduate GPA and GMAT scores, employment after graduation, and starting salary.



SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE

The School of Dental Medicine is a vital oral health care provider for residents of southern and central Illinois and the St. Louis metropolitan region. The School has distinguished itself through new approaches to education, patient care, community-based programs and research.

The new \$9.5 million, state-of-the-art John and Anna Markarian Multidisciplinary Simulation Laboratory includes 60 simulation units, as well as a ceramic reconstruction room, X-ray room, and casting and dispensing areas.

Dr. Nathalia Garcia, periodontist, is a principal investigator for a multicenter study funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) entitled, "Biomarkers of Periodontal Disease Progression." Garcia will oversee 60 patients while attempting to find shared biomarkers of the progression of periodontal disease. The NIH will award more than \$1.2 million to the School for its contribution to the overall research.

Community outreach is a significant component of the dental medicine curriculum.

- Students and faculty provided more than \$75,000 worth of dental treatment for 180 children at Give Kids a Smile Day. This national event is sponsored by the American Dental Association to provide free dental treatment for underserved children in the region.
- Forty-five Special Olympians took advantage of the Special Smiles program managed by the School. Athletes received on-site dental screenings, patient education and nutritional counseling.
- Children, kindergarten through fifth grade, were invited to visit the School during National Children's Dental Health Month for free oral exams, as well as a fun, interactive oral health education program.





SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN BEHAVIOR

The School of Education, Health and Human Behavior prepares students in a wide range of fields, including community health education, exercise sciences, instructional technology, psychology, speech-language pathology and audiology, administration, and teaching. The School changed its name in July 2014 to more accurately reflect the breadth of its academic program offerings.

New Programs Added

- College student personnel administration, MS
- Nutrition, BS

The undergraduate exercise science program and graduate exercise physiology specialization received accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.

- The exercise science program is the **only accredited undergraduate program** in Illinois and Missouri public universities.
- The exercise physiology specialization is the only accredited program
 in Illinois and Missouri and one of only six graduate programs
 accredited nationally.

The Department of Psychology received the American Psychological Association (APA) Departmental Award for Culture of Service in the Psychological Sciences. The APA recognized that the "department demonstrates its commitment to service by providing faculty role models and treating service as a valued part of academic activity."

Twelve visiting Chinese scholars are participating in the School's International Training Program in Pedagogy. The program allows the visiting scholars to fully experience SIUE's higher education culture, while allowing SIUE faculty to form international relationships for service and scholarly activities.



SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

The School of Engineering offers one of the most comprehensive and affordable engineering programs in the St. Louis region, with seven undergraduate degrees, five master's degrees and a cooperative doctoral program, all housed in a state-of-the-art facility.

Fall 2014 brought the largest, brightest and most diverse student population in the School's history.

• Record-breaking enrollment for five consecutive years: 1,573

• Record-high freshman class ACT scores

Math: 28.8Composite: 27.2

Historic record enrollment

Minority: 152 (20% increase)Female: 146 (12% increase)

The 32,000-square-foot Engineering Building Addition opened to students in January 2014. The new space features additional laboratory and work space that replicates industry standards and offers students opportunities to collaborate and assist on innovative research projects.

Introduction to Engineering Summer Camp brought more than 70 high school students from across the country to campus. Camp included handson laboratory experiences, design contests, field trips, and time with guest speakers learning about opportunities in engineering.

Each spring, the School hosts the Greater St. Louis Regional Botball Tournament. Botball is an international robotics competition for high school and middle school students.

The Society of Women Engineers Student Chapter hosted nearly 150 middle school-age girls for the second annual Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day.



SCHOOL OF NURSING

The School of Nursing's fully accredited programs are committed to creating excellence in nursing leadership through innovative teaching, evidence-based practice, quality research, patient advocacy and community service. Through expanded programs located on both the SIU Carbondale campus and SIU School of Medicine campus, the School is helping to solve the region's shortage of baccalaureate-prepared nurses and to enhance the quality of nursing practice.

The SIUE WE CARE Clinic, located in East St. Louis, Ill., provides services across an individual's lifespan that promote health and well-being to people living in the Metro East.

A leader in online education, the School of Nursing is now offering a fully accredited, 100 percent online accelerated registered nurse (RN) to bachelor of science (BS) program. Students can complete the program in as little as one year.

The nurse anesthesia (NA) specialization at SIUE was approved to transition from a master's-level program to a doctor of nursing practice (DNP) program effective May 2015.

The School of Nursing received a Health Resources and Services Administration Nursing Workforce Diversity Program grant worth \$997,076 to support the Student Nurse Achievement Program (SNAP). SNAP addresses the critical need to increase the number of diverse professional nurses in the workforce by recruiting and retaining students from racially, ethnically and culturally diverse backgrounds.

The School of Nursing will offer an online, accelerated RN to BS in nursing degree to all SSM Health Care nurses beginning January 2015. SSM Health Care chief nurse executives selected SIUE over 38 other higher education institutions in the U.S.



SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

Dedicated to developing a community of caring pharmacists, the School of Pharmacy offers curriculum that is nationally recognized as a model that provides students a unique combination of classroom education, research, community service and patient care.

Dr. Kelly Gable, associate professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice, is the first psychiatric pharmacist to be granted provider and prescriber status by the Missouri Department of Mental Health.

Dr. Ron Worthington, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences, was issued two patents by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for his work aimed at preventing contamination by bacteria that are becoming increasingly resistant to antibiotics.

The Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG) appointed Dr. Lisa Lubsch, associate professor of pharmacy practice, to lead its University initiative. The PPAG-U will be a central hub for educational courses, conferences, programs and information designed to support the educational goals of pediatric pharmacists.

Pharmacy students placed first in the Division 1 Clinical Skills Competition at the Student National Pharmaceutical Association national conference. Students placed second at a national patient counseling competition at the Student National Pharmaceutical Association's regional meeting.

Kimberlee Kabbes, a third-year pharmacy student, was chosen by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and the ASHP Research and Education Foundation as one of 12 recipients across the U.S. for a 2013-2014 ASHP Student Leadership award.

The School of Pharmacy was selected to be one of four training sites for the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Research and Education Foundation's 2014 Pain and Palliative Care Traineeship program.



GRADUATE SCHOOL

In collaboration with the College and Schools, the Graduate School educates a distinguished and diverse cohort of master's and doctoral students. Committed to graduate education and scholarship, the SIUE Graduate School provides high-quality programs, fosters intellectual development, and facilitates excellence in research and creative activities.

Pamela L. Gay, an assistant research professor in the Center for STEM Research, Education and Outreach, has been elected to the Astronomical Society of the Pacific Board of Directors.

The U.S. Department of Labor has awarded a grant worth \$9,956,011 to SIUE as part of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training initiative. SIUE will partner with employers to expand and improve their ability to deliver education and career-training programs in information technology, health care, energy and advanced manufacturing.

The National Science Foundation awarded SIUE a three-year Innovative Technology Experiences for Students and Teachers grant. "Digital East St. Louis" will offer information technologies, computing experiences and role models to underserved middle-school youth in an out-of-school setting.

Selected Awarded Research (FY14)

- Forsyth Institute and the National Institutes of Health multicenter clinical study grant to investigate the biomarkers of periodontal disease progression
- Collaboration with Ohio University on a NASA grant to study molecular mechanisms by which microgravity impacts plant growth and development in Arabidopsis using hardware on a Rapid Turn-Around Space Flight Experiment
- National Science Foundation grant to use optimal control problems motivated by the systematic study of mathematical models for cancer treatment



LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES

SIUE Library and Information Services (LIS) consistently strives for new and inventive ways to deliver information to students, faculty and the community. LIS is home to Lovejoy Library, the academic heart of the University. The library provides SIUE faculty and students the information required for their academic pursuits. LIS faculty and staff nurture SIUE students' scholarship with resources that support the collaboration and innovative thinking needed to improve communities and to succeed in the global marketplace.

Unlike national trends in academic libraries, the Lovejoy Library gate count has increased an average of 15 percent annually over the last five years. "Thanks in large part to the quality and dedication of our students, our usage statistics are strong and vibrant," said Dr. Regina McBride, dean of LIS.

The Friends of Lovejoy Library awarded 24 merit-based student scholarships. Scholarships are awarded based on academic excellence, community service, communication skills and a strong work ethic.

The Ask a Librarian chat service usage increased dramatically, allowing our students to gain access to vital research information and resource materials when they need them most. Librarians now have the capability to chat at the reference desk, from their offices or even from home.

New University collections

- Records of the Office of the Chancellor, 2010-2011
- Records of the University Governance Office
- College of Arts and Sciences Segue radio program interview recordings
- Robert Koepke, professor emeritus of geography and earth science, materials relating to urban studies





ATHLETICS

SIUE participates in NCAA Division I Athletics as a member of the Ohio Valley Conference, an affiliate member of the Missouri Valley Conference (men's soccer) and an associate member of the Southern Conference (wrestling).

SIUE student-athletes completed the 2014 spring semester with a 3.095 grade point average. This marks 16 consecutive semesters with a cumulative grade point average better than 3.0.

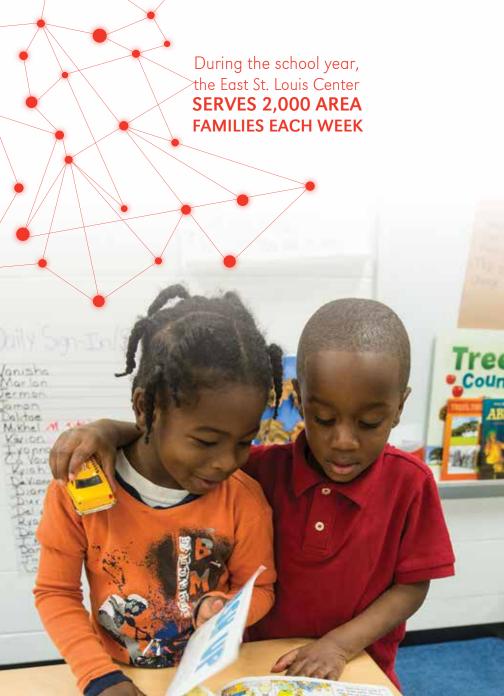
All SIUE athletics teams qualified for a postseason championship in just the second year of full NCAA Division I status. The highlight of the year came when the SIUE softball team became the first team to win an Ohio Valley Conference championship, earning a bid to the NCAA Division | Softball Championship.

2013-2014 Ohio Valley Conference Commissioner's Cup

SIUE placed sixth in the OVC Commissioner's Cup with 95 points. Points are assigned to team finishes in OVC sports. "We don't mirror the traditional OVC school, because we do not have football, and men's soccer and wrestling are part of other conferences," said SIUE Director of Athletics Brad Hewitt. "Finishing in the upper half means we are having our successes in the right places."

- 1. Eastern Kentucky (115 points) Commissioner's Cup Champion
- 2. Eastern Illinois (111.75 points)
- 3. Southeast Missouri State (107.5 points)
- 4. Jacksonville State (106 points)
- 5. Belmont (102.5 points)
- 6. SIUE (95 points)
- 7. Murray State (93.1 points)
- 8. Morehead State (93 points)
- 9. Austin Peav State (86.5 points)
- 10. UT Martin (77.7 points)
- 11. Tennessee State (72.25 points)
- 12. Tennessee Tech (67 points)





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

With a focus on empowering people and strengthening communities, the SIUE East St. Louis Center is dedicated to improving the lives of families and individuals from pre-school through adult in the Metro East region.

SIUE East St. Louis Charter High School

Preparing students to be career- and college-ready upon graduation, the East St. Louis Charter High School is a school of choice for families in the East St. Louis school district.

- The Class of 2014 received more than \$200,000 in college scholarships
- 100% of the Class of 2015 had improved ACT scores
- 99% graduation rate

SIUE Head Start/Early Head Start

The program serves expectant families and children six-weeks to five years of age (including children with special needs) in St. Clair County. Services include a rigorous school readiness program, educational programs for family members, and health and dental screenings.

Head Start/Early Head Start served 1,550 children last year

Upward Bound Programs

Three programs prepare students for successful high school completion and post-secondary education through math and science enrichment activities, career counseling, college prep courses and more.

• Upward Bound served 225 high school students last year

Latchkey/Project Success

These after-school programs provide tutoring and after-school childcare to children 6-12 years of age.

• Latchkey/Project Success served 130 children last year





THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Designed to increase freshman success and retention, the SIUE Experience introduces the incoming freshman class to their new home-away-from-home. Like a typical freshman welcome, students are introduced to campus and all of the resources available to them.

What makes this four-day event different is the way SIUE faculty, staff and student leaders introduce incoming freshmen to the University's values. Through small group activities and service projects, students explore the purpose of a college education and what it means to be a member of the SIUE community.

- Citizenship: Students discuss the importance of community service and
 participate in service projects ranging from harvesting the gardens at a
 historical farm to light construction projects at a cultural center in East
 St. Louis
- Excellence: Students discuss what excellence means to them, what contributes to and what takes away from personal and academic excellence, and how to set goals and deal with setbacks
- Inclusion: Students discuss stereotypes and reflect upon how first impressions might impact their time at SIUE
- Integrity: Students talk through scenarios they may encounter as college students, such as dealing with roommate challenges, cheating and the responsible use of social media
- Wisdom: Students discuss their strengths, the importance of lifelong learning and the benefits of sharing knowledge



DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

SIUE is a welcoming community of students, faculty and staff from different places, cultures and backgrounds. The University believes diversity benefits the entire campus community. Learning beside, living among and working with individuals from a variety of racial, ethnic, cultural, socioeconomic and religious backgrounds enhance the college experience for every student, as well as the working environment for faculty and staff.



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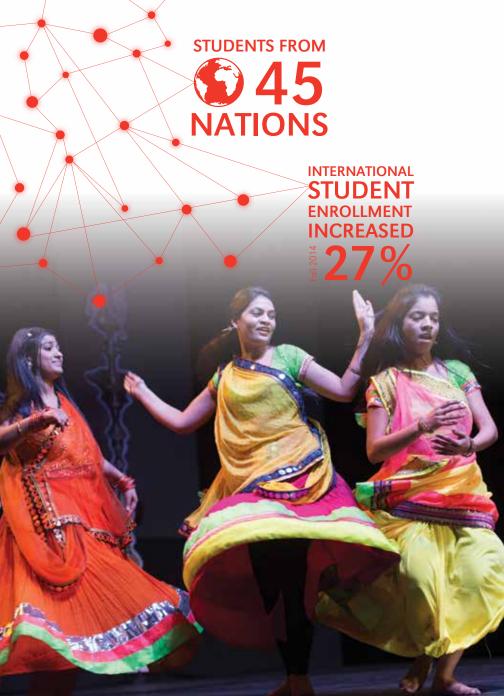
Award is a national honor recognizing U.S. colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.

INSIGHT Into Diversity selected SIUE based on exemplary diversity and inclusion initiatives and on the University's ability to embrace a broad definition of diversity on campus, including gender, race, ethnicity, veterans, people with disabilities, members of the LGBT community, as well as all others.

"SIUE nurtures an open, respectful and welcoming climate that facilitates learning and work. Integral to this commitment, SIUE strives for a student body and a workforce that is both diverse and inclusive."

Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe, EdD





A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

SIUE offers a rich cultural environment that contributes to the learning process and encourages students, faculty and staff to value diversity. SIUE continues to expand its global reach and increase international partnerships.

Direct Exchange Agreements

- University of Alicante in Spain
- University of Applied Sciences in Germany
- Shenyang Aerospace University in China
- Tongmyong University in South Korea
- Minzu University in China
- JSS Academy of Technical Education in India

2+2 Programs

- SIUE School of Engineering and Shenyang Aerospace University
- SIUE School of Engineering and Istanbul Technical University
- SIUE School of Business and Hong Kong University Space Community College

SIUE is committed to increasing its international student population. This year, international enrollment reached 420 students. This is the first time in 10 years international enrollment has surpassed 400.

Domestic students wanting to explore the world have the opportunity through SIUE Study Abroad. Opportunities range from faculty-led programs to full semesters abroad. Last year, 133 SIUE students sought international experiences in nearly 20 countries.

"In today's interconnected, global society, students need exposure to international settings and experience in international issues in order to become successful, effective professionals and global citizens," said Dr. Sorin Nastasia, assistant professor of public relations at SIUE.

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CAMPUS GROWTH AND SUSTAINABILITY

SIUE is recognized as a STARS Bronze Institution for accomplishments in campus sustainability. The rating is based on the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System for campus-wide sustainable practices from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education.



SIUE is second in the region for the number of LEED buildings on university campuses. All new campus construction is Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) certifiable by the U.S. Green Building Council. The new Art and Design Building has achieved a **LEED gold rating** and the Science Building and Lukas Annex have achieved a LEED silver rating.

Dr. Connie Frey-Spurlock, associate professor in the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Studies, was named SIUE's first faculty sustainability fellow. Frey-Spurlock will work to increase awareness of sustainability among faculty, promote the inclusion of sustainability in SIUE's curriculum, encourage original research in related fields and conduct scholarship in the area of sustainability.

The SIUE community has access to nine nature and bike trails that travel through campus and connect to a 100-mile trail system. The campus bike share program gives students, faculty and staff an easy way to enjoy the trails. Seven bike repair stations with air pumps have been installed, and bikes can now be checked out at two locations.

SIUE launched a new partnership with Zipcar Inc., the world's leading car sharing network, to offer a Zipcar sharing program on campus. Two zip cars on campus are making it easier for students to live without a car, while helping the University reduce its carbon footprint.

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ECONOMIC IMPACT

SIUE is a vibrant academic community committed to enhancing the quality of life for our community. With a nearly \$500 million total economic impact on the region, SIUE plays a leading role in promoting progress in the region. An economic impact study is currently underway, and results will be released in early 2015.

There are more than 50,000 SIUE alumni in the region, and many have advanced degrees ranging from master's to MBAs to doctorates in dental medicine and pharmacy. Since an educated workforce attracts new and vital business, SIUE's presence yields improvements to the local economy.

SIUE prepares students to become professionals in their fields of study, as well as engaged citizens and leaders in their communities. When they graduate, SIUE alumni are poised to give back to the local community working for the betterment and the benefit of the region.

As the University's enrollment continues to grow and more students choose SIUE as a residential campus, the number and diversity of campus events has increased. SIUE has become a cultural center of the Metro East. The popularity of the *Arts and Issues* Series, the wide array of conferences held on campus, and the recognition of SIUE's Division I Intercollegiate Athletics program all provide evidence of SIUE's cultural importance. Visitors who participate in these activities spend more than \$47 million in the area.

The presence and impact of SIUE continues to enhance the local economy. The University is nearing the completion of an extensive, more-than-\$300-million construction and infrastructure improvement plan, leading to the creation of a significant number of construction jobs for the region.

HIGH-IMPACT CAMPAIGNS

Introduced in July 2014, these High-Impact Campaigns focus on enhancing the student experience and supporting student success by funding critical programs and scholarships. We invite you to join us in supporting one or more of these campaigns at whatever level is comfortable for you.

Student Research Travel: School of Education, Health and Human Behavior students will have access to travel funding for the purpose of presenting their research at regional, state and national professional conferences.

Business Transitions Curriculum: Required for all business majors, the courses further develop professional skills related to job searching, professional networking, interviewing and business etiquette.

Student Design Center: The Student Design Center will provide muchneeded space for engineering students to work on senior design projects and for student competition teams to build cars, steel bridges, concrete canoes and more.

International Travel Awards: Support for this campaign will help more College of Arts and Sciences students benefit from a global, transformational educational experience.

New Visitor Entrance: The new entrance will include enhanced parking for added convenience, a welcome garden, and a treetop bridge in The Gardens at SIUE.

Honoring the Past – Empowering the Future: SIUE School of Nursing Endowed Scholarship Campaign and 2016 Celebration: Scholarships make a significant difference in the ability to attract outstanding nursing students and future leaders to the nursing profession and the School of Nursing.

Pharmacy's Best and Brightest Paver Drive and Endowed Scholarship
Campaign: Scholarships allow students in the region to benefit from an

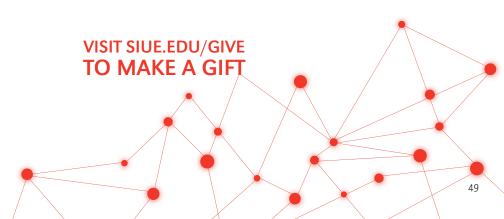
outstanding pharmacy education and expanded financial aid opportunities.

Dental Student Scholarships: Support for dental student scholarships will allow the School to guarantee significant financial assistance for deserving dental students.

SIUE East St. Louis Charter High School: Funding priorities include updated equipment and learning technologies, professional development for STEM faculty, and access to updated textbooks and instructional materials.

High School Writers' Contest Endowment: This contest serves as an excellent recruiting tool, as 34 percent of all winners have selected SIUE to continue their education.

The Science and Engineering Research Challenge: Students (grades 5-12) become aware of the interdisciplinary nature of science and engineering as they apply reading and writing skills, as well as mathematics and art to communicate their research findings.





SIUE is proud to support responsible use of forest resources.

