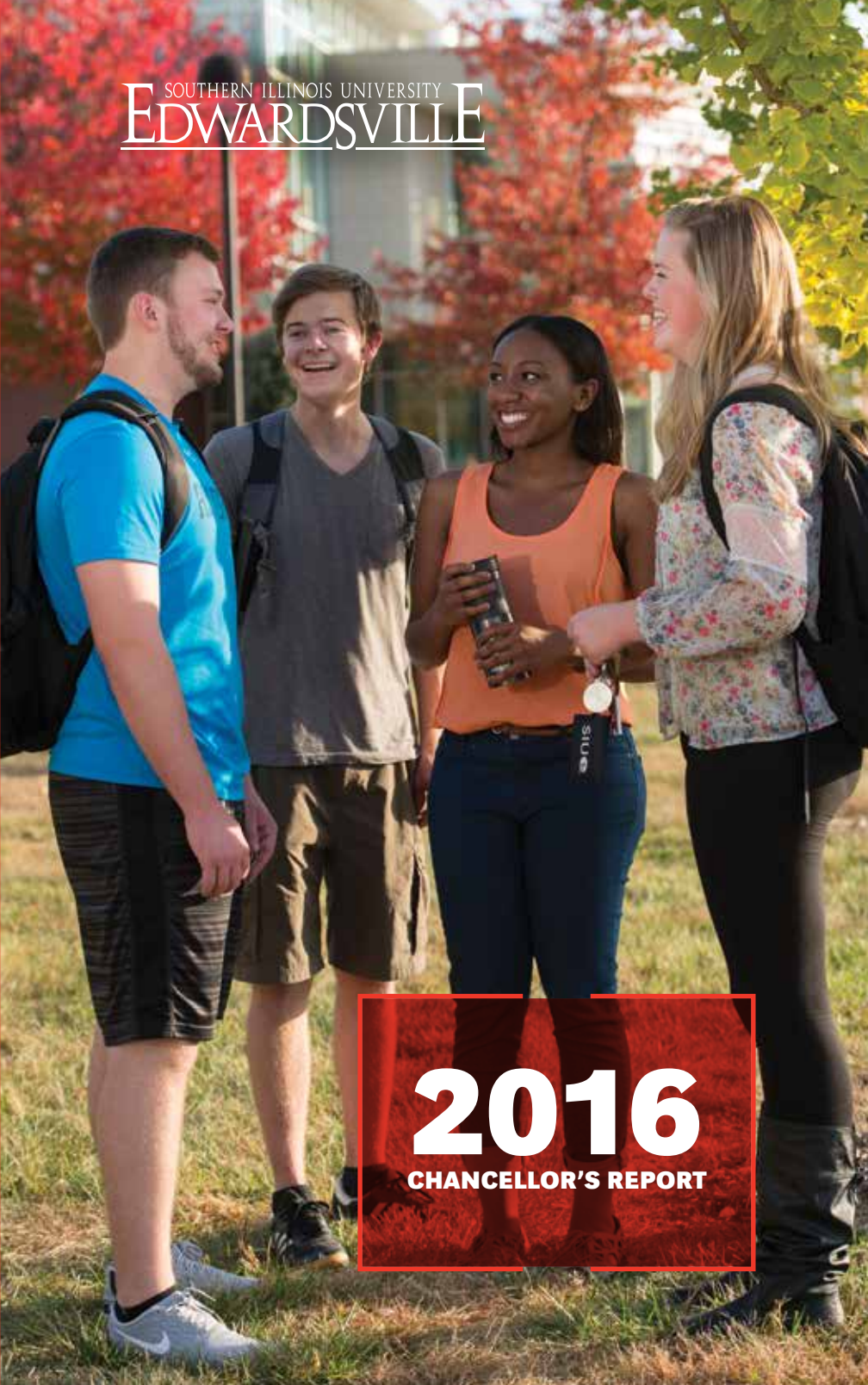


SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
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2016

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT



“The SIUE community challenges students to realize their full potential to positively impact and shape a changing world.”

Dr. Randall G. Pembroke, SIUE Chancellor

**A MESSAGE
FROM THE
CHANCELLOR**



On August 1, 2016, I had the distinct privilege of becoming the ninth chancellor of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. And while they say you can never go home again, I have actually done just that. You see, SIUE is my *alma mater*, a place that is welcoming, familiar and full of promise. A place that develops potential and then opens the doors to opportunity – in short, “home.”

As an undergraduate student here in SIUE’s second decade, I could never have imagined the successes in store for this institution, but I’m not at all surprised. The excellent education I received was an indication of a university that would transform our community. SIUE’s mission is to “shape a changing world” and that has been occurring since the institution was established in 1957. I am a grateful product of that mission and with over 100,000 alumni, the University has played a substantial role in preparing individuals for their best lives and in shaping the development of an entire region.

SIUE continues to provide challenge and opportunity as you will see in this report. And, while having just arrived back on campus I cannot take credit for the accomplishments of the past year, I do take a tremendous amount of pride in all that SIUE means to my fellow Cougar alumni and to the citizens of Southwestern Illinois. Here is a sampling of recent achievements:

- Among *Washington Monthly’s* Top 60 master’s universities in the nation
- *U.S. News & World Report’s* Best Colleges of 2017 – ranked among the Best Regional Universities Midwest for the 13th consecutive year
- Recipient of the 2016 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) award from *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine for the third consecutive year
- One of the Top 25 Safest College Towns in America, according to the 2016 SafeWise Report



(From left to right) Rich Walker, Interim Vice Chancellor for Administration; Randall Pembroke, Chancellor; Denise Cobb, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Jeffrey Waple, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; Rachel Stack, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement

Looking forward, through the enhancement of experiential learning programs and burgeoning community engagement, the University is preparing to enter an exciting phase of high-impact practices that will further strengthen the value of our graduates' degrees and SIUE's role as an economic and cultural anchor.

I hope you will enjoy this look into the continuing successes of a truly community-oriented university. And 59 years in, this is only the beginning!

ENGAGING THE FUTURE,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randall G. Pembroke", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Randall G. Pembroke, PhD
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.

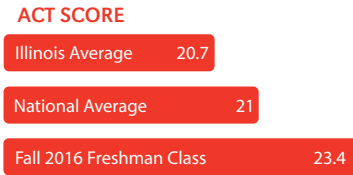
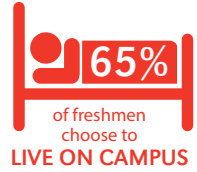
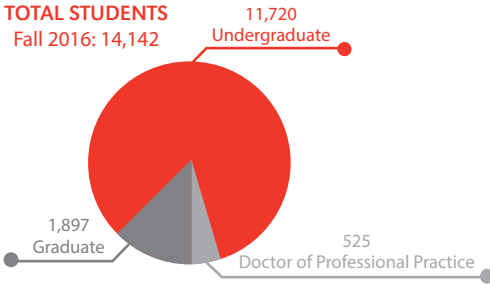
Situated on 2,660 acres of beautiful woodland atop the bluffs overlooking the natural beauty of the Mississippi River's rich bottom land and only a short drive from downtown St. Louis, the SIUE campus is home to a diverse student body of more than 14,000.

SIUE awards degrees in undergraduate, graduate and doctoral programs encompassing the arts, sciences, nursing, education, health, human behavior, business and engineering. The Schools of Dental Medicine and Pharmacy award doctoral degrees in dental medicine (DMD) and pharmacy (PharmD). Doctoral programs are available in nursing practice and educational leadership. Cooperative PhD programs in history, environmental science, engineering science and computer engineering are offered with SIU Carbondale. The Edwardsville campus is enhanced by campuses in Alton and East St. Louis.

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.



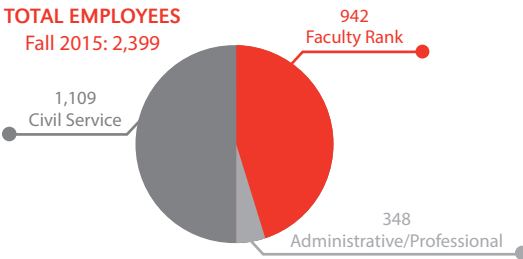
SIUE COMMUNITY AT A GLANCE



GEOGRAPHIC ORIGIN OF STUDENTS



41 STATES



100,000+
TOTAL ALUMNI





**MISSION
VISION
VALUES**

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

POINTS OF PRIDE

SIUE is in *Washington Monthly's* Top 60 for master's universities in the nation. SIUE is third among all master's institutions in Illinois on the national magazine's list. This is the seventh consecutive year SIUE has been listed.

U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges of 2017 lists SIUE among the best Regional Universities Midwest for the 13th consecutive year. The University is 13th overall among public universities in that category.

SIUE ranks first among all Emerging Research Institutions in the Midwest for research expenditures, according to the National Science Foundation.

SIUE received the 2016 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) award from *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine, the oldest and largest diversity-focused publication in higher education. This is the third consecutive year the University has received this recognition.

Among Illinois public institutions, SIUE ranks 4th on *Forbes* magazine's list of America's Top Colleges. The magazine's criteria are based on return on investment, including success after graduation, student debt and student satisfaction. SIUE ranks 2nd among all Illinois institutions for lowest student loan debt, according to LendEDU. More than 42 percent of SIUE students graduate with zero student debt.



SIUE currently is ranked first among Illinois state universities and seventh among public institutions nationally in graduating student-athletes, according to a report released by the NCAA. Eight SIUE programs earned a perfect score of 100 percent in the latest Graduation Success Rate figures.

SIUE is set in one of the “30 Safest College Towns in America,” according to the 2016 SafeWise Report. Edwardsville ranked number 25 on the list of 30 towns.

For the sixth consecutive year, SIUE was named to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Victory Media, the premier media entity for military personnel transitioning into civilian life, has named SIUE a Military Friendly School for the eighth consecutive year.

The University boasts a regional economic impact of more than \$514 million. For every state dollar spent on the University, SIUE generates \$8.60 of economic impact in the local economy. SIUE generates more than \$24 million in state and local tax revenues.



STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND RETENTION



SIUE has recorded its third-highest all-time enrollment with 14,142 students registered for fall 2016.

Undergraduate Enrollment Increases

- School of Engineering: 8.59% (record enrollment)
- School of Nursing 4.26% (record enrollment)
- School of Education, Health and Human Behavior: 2.88% (record enrollment)
- School of Business: 6.24%
- College of Arts and Sciences: 1.54%

SIUE's professional Schools of Pharmacy and Dental Medicine each have capped enrollment capacity and have met or exceeded their enrollment goals for the fall.

SIUE offers one of the lowest college tuition rates and required fees of all four-year institutions in Illinois. SIUE students graduate with 20 percent less debt compared to state and national averages, and nearly half graduate without debt (Project on Student Debt).



In an effort to meet student demand, expand course offerings and increase enrollment, SIUE continues to focus on online education. Over the last year, credit hours delivered online increased 25 percent.

Nearly 75 percent of the fall 2015 freshman class returned for their sophomore year. The retention rate of continuing undergraduate students grew nearly two percent from last fall.

More than 1,400 new students transferred to the University—the second highest new transfer student total in SIUE history.

**ACADEMIC
EXCELLENCE**



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

- 1,334 professional presentations, including exhibitions and recitals
- 65 book chapters and 22 books
- 363 peer-reviewed journal articles
- 161 external awards totaling more than \$45.3 million
- 64 research awards totaling more than \$7 million

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.



The University added the following new programs last year:

- BS in Environmental Sciences (specializations in Environmental Health, Environmental Toxicology, Environmental Management)
- MS in Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Combined Bachelor's and Master's (3 + 2) option in Industrial Engineering
- Concurrent Doctor of Nursing Practice and MBA
- Undergraduate Specializations
 - History: Applied Historical Methods
 - Sociology: Diversity and Social Justice
- Undergraduate Minors
 - Digital Humanities and Social Sciences (Interdisciplinary)
 - Education Studies and Analysis
 - Exercise and Sport Psychology
 - Mechatronics and Robotics Engineering

**COLLEGE OF
ARTS AND
SCIENCES**



The National Science Foundation approved a \$150,000 collaborative research grant for David Duvernell, PhD, professor of biological sciences, to continue studying hybridization among two species of topminnow fish.

Joshua Pritsolas, senior geography major, was honored by the Lincoln Academy of Illinois for his excellence in curricular and extracurricular activities. He was among the state's most outstanding students celebrated at the annual Student Laureate Convocation.

George Pelekanos, PhD, professor of mathematics and statistics, received the rank of Distinguished Research Professor for his contributions to inverse scattering theory for acoustic, elastic and electromagnetic waves.

Andrew Neath, PhD, professor of mathematics and statistics, received the William and Margaret Going Endowed Professorship Award. Broadly defined, Neath's research examines decision-making in uncertainty.

Central to SIUE's comprehensive, liberal arts education, the College of Arts and Sciences helps students gain the knowledge and analytical skills applicable across all disciplines.



Sarah Luesse, PhD, assistant professor of chemistry, received the Vaughnie Lindsay New Investigator Award in recognition of her research on the development of organic reactions that are helpful for the design and preparation of potential pharmaceutical drug candidates.

Cristina De Meo, PhD, professor of chemistry, received the Paul Simon Outstanding Teacher-Scholar Award for excellence in pedagogy and research.

The *Arts & Issues* series offers the community an eclectic blend of speakers and performers. This past season included astronaut Capt. Jim Lovell and veteran White House Correspondent and SIUE alumnus Peter Maer.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



The School of Business ranked second among Illinois' 12 public universities in the annual Certified Public Accounting (CPA) exam results. Scoring well above state and national averages, SIUE accounting graduates were runners-up to graduates from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Ali Kutan, PhD, professor of economics and finance, received the rank of Distinguished Research Professor for his scholarly contributions to international financial markets. The academic rank is awarded to tenured faculty in recognition of outstanding and sustained contributions to research and creative activities. Kutan's scholarship includes international finance and trade, macroeconomics and monetary economics, financial markets and institutions, and applied econometrics and time series analysis.

The School of Business is among an elite five percent of business schools worldwide that have earned the prestigious seal of approval from AACSB International. Only 28 percent of business schools in the U.S. are accredited by the organization.



The late Captain John E. Tipton is the first inductee from SIUE to the U.S. Army ROTC Hall of Fame. Tipton enlisted in the Army in 1989 and served in Operation Desert Storm. He later enrolled in SIUE's Army ROTC program, where he continued his exemplary service and graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate before becoming an infantry officer in the Army.

Dr. Agnes Scoville, winner of last year's SIUE Metro East Start-Up Challenge, captured third place in the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) InnovateHER Business Challenge. Scoville created Pacidose, which allows medication to be accurately dosed and delivered to infants "fuss-free" through a combined syringe and pacifier.

SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE

Snacks and Drinks -
- Not so good for you....
- Good for you....



The School of Dental Medicine is one of 16 academic institutions nationwide to receive the inaugural American Association for Dental Research Student Research Day Award. The School's annual Research Day emphasizes the significant, global impact of research and scholarship for practitioners and patients.

Special emphasis was given to community outreach in February for National Children's Dental Health Month. Elementary students from area schools came to campus to learn about oral health from third-year dental students. Fourth-year dental students performed routine exams on the children, some of whom have never been in a dentist's chair before.

The inaugural class of the International Advanced Placement Program (IAPP) began the 27-month program in February. The IAPP enables qualified dentists who have graduated from an acknowledged international dental school to pursue a Doctor of Dental Medicine from the School and obtain licensure to practice dentistry in the U.S.

Graduating 50 of the country's best dentists each year, 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 Odontographic Society of Chicago presented third-year student Spencer Blackham with its Dr. Irwin B. Robinson Award for Student-Researcher Excellence. Blackham was also awarded an American Association for Dental Research Bloc Travel Grant to present his research at the International Association for Dental Research meeting in Seoul, South Korea. He is researching bone defects and evaluating the biocompatibility of a new dental material using a calvarial defect model.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN BEHAVIOR



Thelma Mothershed Wair received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from SIUE in May. She earned a master's in guidance and counseling in 1970 and an administrative certificate in education in 1972. Wair was a home economics teacher and guidance counselor for the East St. Louis school district until her retirement in 1994. In 1957, she attended Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., as one of the Little Rock Nine.

Dayna Henry, PhD, assistant professor of public health, received the Teaching Excellence Award, the most prestigious teaching award that a tenure-line faculty member can receive at the University.

Jeremy Jewell, PhD, professor of psychology, received the Hoppe Research Professor Award for his work to understand the impact of a compassion meditation program on the emotional, social and psychological functioning of behaviorally disruptive youth in a public school setting.

Students benefit from a wide array of experiential learning opportunities through on-campus community outreach clinics and programs. More than 200 individuals and families were served by the Speech-Language-Hearing Center, Literacy Clinic, and Attention and Behavior Clinic last year.

The School of Education, Health and Human Behavior prepares students for successful careers in public health, exercise science, nutrition, instructional technology, psychology, speech-language pathology and audiology, educational administration, and teaching.



Public health students spent five weeks in Ghana for service learning. Students assisted in the planning, implementation and evaluation of health programs, HIV testing and counseling. Education majors studied general, special and higher education, and culture in northwest China.



**SCHOOL OF
ENGINEERING**

The School of Engineering's programs are reviewed by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, and all programs renewed their accreditation.

Timothy York, PhD, assistant professor of electrical engineering, earned the 2016 Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Donald G. Fink Award for his work on the topic of bioinspired polarization imaging sensors. The National Society of Black Engineers presented Emmanuel S. Eneyo, PhD, professor of industrial engineering, with a 2016 Golden Torch Award for Lifetime Achievement in Academia.

Engineering students won the GeoWall Competition sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers. Students designed a mechanically stabilized earth retaining wall and tested for performance in various loading scenarios.

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



Jianpeng Zhou, PhD, professor of civil engineering, received a Fulbright U.S. Scholar grant from the U.S. Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. He will travel to Brazil to expand his research on adaptive green infrastructure for urban water management.

Dennis Bouvier, PhD, associate professor of computer science, and colleagues, earned Best Paper at the 47th Association for Computing Machinery Technical Symposium on Computing Science Education. The paper focuses on peer instruction, a student-centered pedagogy that emphasizes active participation in the classroom.

SCHOOL OF NURSING



The School of Nursing is ranked among the top nursing schools in *U.S. News & World Report's* Best Online Programs 2016 edition. The School jumped nearly 25 percent up the list, ranking 76th for its online graduate nursing programs. Its pioneering RN to BS program was tabbed among the nation's top online bachelor's programs for the first time.

In response to the demand for baccalaureate-prepared nurses, the School of Nursing has developed academic partnerships with three community colleges and corporate partnerships with three health care organizations over the past year.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice anesthesia program was awarded a \$19,585 Nurse Anesthetist Traineeship grant, and the Doctor of Nursing Practice Family Nurse Practitioner Program was awarded a \$349,272 Advanced Education Nursing Traineeship Grant, both from the Health Resources and Services Administration. The grants will help address the issue of growing disparities in our nation's healthcare system by providing financial support and focused clinical training in rural and underserved communities of central and southern Illinois.

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.



The School of Nursing's honor society of nursing, Epsilon Eta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International, received its eighth chapter key award for excellence in chapter-related activities.

A special alumni reunion and campaign recognition gala held in April raised more than \$135,000 and provided eight endowed scholarships for future nursing students.

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY



School of Pharmacy class of 2015 graduates exceeded both state and national averages, boasting a first-attempt board pass rate of 97.26 percent on the North American Pharmacist Licensure Exam (NAPLEX). The graduates' combined score was the highest board pass rate of any program in Illinois or Missouri. The NAPLEX is one component of the licensure process, which measures the knowledge of prospective pharmacists.

While 66 percent is the national average for being successfully matched in a pharmacy residency program, 90 percent of the School of Pharmacy's graduates pursuing residencies obtained a match last year. Residencies provide postgraduate training, allowing the resident to practice direct patient care and practice management under the supervision of an experienced preceptor. The School works with the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists to match applicants into residency positions.

The School of Pharmacy curriculum is nationally recognized as a model that offers students a unique combination of classroom education, research, community service and patient care.



Chris Herndon, PharmD, associate professor of pharmacy practice and 2016 Illinois Pharmacists Association Pharmacist of the Year, and fourth-year student Scott Sexton are among the founding officers of the Society of Palliative Care Pharmacists (SPCP).

Associate professors of pharmacy practice Kelly Gable, PharmD; Chris Herndon, PharmD; and Jessica Kerr, PharmD; worked with the Illinois Pharmacists Association to develop and administer online training for pharmacists to help prevent opioid overdose. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the number of opioid overdoses in the state of Illinois is increasing.

A woman with long brown hair, wearing safety glasses and a blue lab coat, is seated at a laboratory bench. She is wearing white nitrile gloves and is using a black multi-channel pipette to dispense liquid into a clear microplate. The background shows a typical laboratory environment with shelves containing various bottles and equipment. A red rectangular overlay is positioned in the upper left corner of the image, containing the text 'GRADUATE SCHOOL' in white, bold, sans-serif font.

**GRADUATE
SCHOOL**

The inaugural Concept Commercialization Award promotes interest in and involvement with intellectual property development and commercialization in order to benefit the health, safety and welfare of the community and the economic welfare of the University. Award recipient Sohyung Cho, PhD, associate professor of industrial engineering, and co-researchers from the SIU School of Medicine propose their innovative syringe device has a unique feature to separate fat from oil and blood more conveniently and quickly.

By preparing the next generation of leaders in a knowledge-based economy, SIUE's Graduate School fulfills the region's demand for highly trained professionals.



The inaugural Visualizing Research Impacts competition offered SIUE scholars an opportunity to share the results and impact of their research and creative activities through imagery. The award winners, Kodi Thompson and Rachel Rodgers, master's students in biology and fine arts respectively, received a monetary prize to fund continued research or creative activity.

Chemistry graduate student Drake Jensen was named Outstanding Thesis Award recipient. His thesis was titled, "Functional Analysis of Calmodulin's Calcium Dependent Inactivation of Oriol." Engineering students Clayton Faber and Ali Keshavarz Panahi were named Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award winners for their contributions to academic excellence through teaching and instruction.

**LIBRARY AND
INFORMATION
SERVICES**



The Eugene B. Redmond Center is named in honor of Redmond, SIUE emeritus professor in the Department of English Language and Literature, author, editor and Poet Laureate of East St. Louis. It houses Redmond's collection, which is comprised of more than 60 years of chronicling of the artistic world and cultural history from around the globe, and photographs and works of poetic legends and other noted wordsmiths. It has attracted national supporters, including Maya Angelou, Nikki Giovanni, Toni Morrison and Tavis Smiley.

The St. Louis Regional Chamber honored the Eugene B. Redmond Learning Center with its inaugural Arcus People's Choice Award. The award was one of 11 honors bestowed on regional leaders and companies who help make St. Louis a more attractive place to live, work and invest.

Library and Information Services houses an array of digital collections and exhibits, including the University's Muse yearbooks, The Creation and Opening of the Edwardsville Campus, Women in Art, Plants of SIUE and an American Civil War collection, to name a few.

SIUE Library and Information Services consistently strives for new and inventive ways to deliver information to students, faculty and the community.



Lovejoy Library's "Night in the Stacks" fundraiser featured more than 70 autographed music-themed auction items, many from artists who once performed at the Mississippi River Festival (MRF) during the '70s and '80s. Proceeds from the event will support Lovejoy Library's collection development.



ATHLETICS

SIUE currently is ranked first among Illinois state universities and seventh among public institutions nationally in graduating student-athletes, according to a report release by the NCAA. Eight SIUE programs earned a perfect score of 100 percent in the latest Graduation Success Rate figures.

SIUE student-athletes continue to excel in the classroom. Spring 2016 marked 20 consecutive semesters that student-athletes have posted a combined GPA higher than 3.0. More than 40 percent of student-athletes across Intercollegiate Athletics were named to the Dean's List with a GPA of 3.5 or better. More than 70 percent finished the spring semester with a 3.0 GPA or better.

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.



Justin Bilyeu and Kristen Torre joined the ranks of professional in their fields of play. Bilyeu was drafted and signed by the New York Red Bulls of Major League Soccer. He became the second first-round draft pick in the MLS following the success of Matt Polster, who has been on the roster for the U.S. National Team. Torre signed a contract with Prowin Volleys, a volleyball team in Saarbücken, Germany. She was discovered by the team after playing in an international tournament in Croatia.

SIUE launched the highly-successful Red & Black Gala, which raised more than \$96,000 in 2016. The proceeds from the event went directly to support scholarship needs and operating budgets.



**COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

The East St. Louis Center was nominated for the St. Louis Regional Chamber's Arcus Awards. The annual awards recognize companies, organizations and institutions that are making the St. Louis region a better place to live, work and invest.

"Kamp Kindergarten," a new kindergarten readiness summer camp, was offered this summer in partnership with the East St. Louis School District. The program targeted incoming kindergarteners who are at risk of falling behind their kindergarten classmates. Children learned how to take turns, how to transition from one activity to another and how to carry items from school to home.

SIUE Head Start/Early Head Start is partnering with the Jackie Joyner-Kersey Foundation to continue to meet the needs of children in East St. Louis. An Olympic legend and gold medal winner, Joyner-Kersey is an East St. Louis native. Dedicated in May 2016, the SIUE Jackie Joyner-Kersey Head Start/Early Head Start Center was funded by an anonymous donor.

The SIUE East St. Louis Center is dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and families in Greater East St. Louis in the areas of education, health, social services and the arts.



Chea Wyatt, child development supervisor at an SIUE Head Start/Early Head Start Center, was named Illinois Head Start Teacher of the Year and the Region V Teacher of the Year for 2015. Region V consists of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin. The recognition qualified Wyatt to compete for the national 2016 Head Start Teacher of the Year.



**THE STUDENT
EXPERIENCE**

Campus Recreation completed a \$2.5 million weight room expansion project that doubled the size of the weight room facility and features new equipment to meet the needs of students.

Disability Support Services assisted 560 students with disabilities during the 2015-16 academic year, representing a significant increase of 27 percent from the previous year.

Campus Kitchen, a national food reclamation and meal program for the needy, saw significant growth. Nearly 300 volunteers completed 3,112 community service hours, collected 11,127 pounds of food, and served 1,372 meals to 3,163 clients.

Through comprehensive co-curricular opportunities and access to services that enhance learning and achievement, Student Affairs is dedicated to supporting and challenging students to achieve their full potential.



Counseling Services added two staff members to address critical needs for student welfare. A suicide prevention counselor was hired as part of a campus Suicide Prevention Grant through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. A multi-cultural counselor is addressing the needs of the University's increasingly diverse student body.

The Kimmel Student Involvement Center and Student Opportunities for Academic Results hosted a Black Graduation Celebration ceremony for students of color. This inspirational event celebrated 140 students' dedication and commitment to academic excellence.

The Career Development Center extended services to 4,070 students, including co-op/internship program placements, individual appointments, career fairs, workshops and events, online resumé reviews, on-campus mock interviews, and classroom presentations.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION



SIUE received the 2016 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity award from *INSIGHT Into Diversity* magazine. The annual HEED award is a national honor recognizing U.S. colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.

The Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion offers the SIUE community numerous educational resources and opportunities to engage in conversation on topics related to diversity and inclusion. Resources include an online learning community, multicultural center, mentoring programs, book clubs, film series, discussion boards, and celebration of the history and heritage of University community members, to name a few.

SIUE recognizes and values the contributions of the breadth of humankind. In order to achieve domestic and international peace, social justice, and the development of full human potential, the University is committed to building on this diversity and inclusion.



The University's LGBT-Friendly Campus Climate index score is 4.5 out of 5 stars for the second consecutive year. SIUE was evaluated on sexual orientation and gender identity/expression for the first time and scored 4.5 and 4 stars, respectively.

The diversity of the student population continues to increase. Twenty-five percent of the freshman class reported a diverse cultural background:

- Black or African American: 15%
- Hispanic or Latino: 5%
- Multi-ethnic: 5%

The SIUE Champion for Diversity award is presented to a faculty or staff member who demonstrates an exemplary level of dedication to SIUE's mission of fostering equal opportunity and exhibits an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion.

A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE



Home to nearly 400 international students from 51 nations, SIUE is known for its welcoming and friendly environment. The Office of International Affairs leads, coordinates and facilitates collaborative activities that support internationalization at SIUE.

Last year, more than 200 SIUE students participated in study abroad to over 21 countries. SIUE is a formal partner to more than 30 international institutions in China, Cuba, UK, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, India, Italy, Nigeria, Palestine, South Korea, Spain, Turkey and Venezuela. New partnerships are underway in Australia and Costa Rica.

SIUE offers a rich cultural environment that contributes to the learning process and encourages the campus community to value diversity and inclusion.



SIUE was awarded Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching assistants in Yoruba and Arabic. These assistants taught undergraduate students in these languages and interacted with faculty members.

The International Hospitality Program volunteers matched international students with host families who provided a rich cultural experience for students and connected SIUE with the local community. Student groups hosted International Night, India Night, Africa Night and the Muslim Student Community dinner.

A variety of culturally specific student organizations allows domestic and international students the opportunity to learn from each other.

Currently, 253 international students participate in optional practical training after graduation, a program in which international students put into practice the knowledge they have acquired at SIUE.



**CAMPUS
GROWTH AND
SUSTAINABILITY**

SIUE is recognized as a STARS Silver 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 has completed a \$300 million construction and infrastructure improvement plan. All new campus construction is Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) certifiable by the U.S. Green Building Council. SIUE is second in the region for the number of LEED® certified buildings on university campuses:

- Art & Design West – LEED Gold
- School of Dental Medicine’s Multidisciplinary Laboratory – LEED Silver
- Lukas Athletics Annex – LEED Silver
- Science Building West – LEED Silver
- Engineering Building Addition – LEED Silver
- One residential building in Cougar Village – LEED Residential

Sustainability and green living are important at SIUE. The University is continually looking for ways to ensure a healthy and sustainable campus life.



Students can choose from more than 100 courses with a sustainability focus in fields as diverse as biology, engineering, business, anthropology and philosophy. The 280-acre SIUE Nature Preserve features a dedicated location—protected from construction—for student and faculty research, lab projects, and class assignments.

The campus bike share program gives students, faculty and staff an easy way to explore the many nature and biking trails available on or adjacent to SIUE’s campus, and filling stations have eliminated potential waste equivalent to more than one million water bottles.

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT



During fiscal year 2016, the SIUE Foundation received more than \$3 million in contributions, including \$700,000 in endowment gifts. The Foundation provided a record \$1.1 million in scholarship funds to SIUE. University Advancement staff increased relationships with corporate partners in the St. Louis metro area by nearly 200 percent.

SIUE Alumni Affairs works to enhance the personal and professional advancement of the University's more than 100,000 alumni. The SIUE Alumni Association supports academic excellence through student scholarships. Each year, the Alumni Association awards more than \$30,000 in scholarships to incoming and current SIUE students. More than 600 applications were received this past year for Alumni Association scholarships.

University Advancement builds lasting relationships with alumni, donors and friends who wish to give their time, talent and support to SIUE.



Alumni engagement continues to be a high priority. Alumni Affairs saw record attendance at the annual Fall Basketball Pregame Reception and the Cougars on the Move outreach event in Scottsdale, Ariz. The annual trivia night also saw record attendance and raised more than \$4,000 for student scholarships.

An auxiliary organization of the SIUE Foundation, the Meridian Society promotes women's leadership and invests in SIUE community-based projects. Membership is at a record high with 65 members.

More than 50,000 SIUE alumni live and work in the region. Kevin Nesselhauf, BA '08, MBA '13, (pictured at left) works at the Phillips66 Wood River Refinery and has remained engaged with the University since his graduation.

ECONOMIC IMPACT



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. 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. Expenditures in the region as a result of SIUE athletics activities have nearly doubled since 2010.

SIUE is a vibrant academic community committed to enhancing the quality of life for our community. With a more than \$514 million total economic impact on the region, SIUE plays a leading role in promoting progress in Southwestern Illinois.



The presence and impact of SIUE continues to enhance the local economy. With nearly 2,400 full-time employees, SIUE is the second largest employer in the Madison-St. Clair County region. More than 9,000 jobs exist as a result of business generated by SIUE employees, students, annuitants and visitors.

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