

CASA Dean's MMU (Monday Morning Update)

Monday, April 25, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

On Friday, April 22, 2016, the Illinois House voted 106-2 and the Senate voted 55-0 to approve a higher education relief package, spending \$600 million to keep universities afloat through the summer including grants to low-income students through the Monetary Award Program (MAP). Gov. Rauner plans to sign the bill this week. Chicago State will get 60% of the funding it received in fiscal year 2015, and the state's eight other university systems will get 31%. This amounts to \$57.5 million for the Southern Illinois University System. It is interesting to note that this bill was passed overwhelmingly in the General Assembly with bipartisan cooperation and supported by the Governor. The money is from a specific source, the education assistance fund, which receives dedicated revenue from state income taxes and other sources. This is indeed a relief for Illinois higher education. However, this is not a solution for the budget impasse, but rather emergency assistance, or a short-term funding fix. I hope the state will fund the remaining two-thirds of our FY 2016 budget, about \$140 million for SIU, before the end of this fiscal year.

UA AVIATION CAREER DAY

On Saturday, April 23rd, 2016, SIU celebrated SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day. A United Airlines Airbus 320 loaded with 141 passengers: Chicago area high students, SIU Alumni and staff gracefully landed at Southern Illinois Airport around 9:50am. United Airlines donates 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. Students toured SIU's outstanding aviation facilities, engaged in an hour-long discussion regarding aviation careers with United Airlines personnel, and toured the beautiful SIU Main Campus. SIU and United Airlines have enjoyed this partnership for more than 20 years. The event has evolved into a tremendous venue for recruitment, community outreach, career counseling and reconnecting with alumni. SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day was attended by SIU Chancellor Dr. Brad Colwell, SIU Provost Dr. Susan Ford, and Dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts Dr. Andy Wang. The United Airlines A320 departed Southern Illinois Airport at 4:00 PM bound for Chicago O'Hare International Airport.







CYBER SECURITY DAY

The School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) hosted the fourth SIU Cyber Security Day event on Saturday, April 23, 2016. More than 100 people from the region and community attended this event. Information security experts made presentations and demonstrations about cyber security and industry trend. A three-hour mock cyber defense competition was held among four teams from Lake Land College, John A. Logan College, Kaskaskia College, and Johnston City High School. Many thanks to IST faculty and staff Tom Imboden, Belle Woodward, Shannon Gwaltney, and Sam Chung for organizing this successful event.

CONGRATULATIONS

- Please join me in congratulating **Michelle Lynne Parker-Clark**, Academic Advisor of Aviation Management and Flight, on being selected to receive the 2016 CASA Service to the College Award! This award is in recognition of an individual employed in administrative professional (AP) or civil service (CS) full-time position in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts who promotes a vision of pride and community from within the College. Award nominees create “a culture where all employees embrace their responsibilities for the recruitment and retention of students, and act as good-will ambassadors” to the College. Such individuals may:
 - Advance the mission of the College and improve workplace morale;
 - Accomplish job duties in an exemplary manner with extensive knowledge and expertise;
 - Improve job and workplace efficiency, productivity, safety and environment; and
 - Support the job performance of other employees.



Ms. Michelle Parker-Clark is responsible for personally advising 300 Aviation Management and Flight students. To effectively counsel and serve these students, an academic advisor must not only possess extensive academic advisement expertise, but also be knowledgeable of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulatory requirements associated with the aviation degrees. Furthermore she must be able to counsel students regarding a broad variety of careers within the aviation industry. “Michelle is the personification of professionalism and dedication,” as the nomination letter says, “Michelle routinely remains in the office after hours to complete assignments she was not able to perform due to advisement appointments with students, visits from prospective students or recruitment events held throughout campus ...” “Michelle also demonstrates her willingness to go above and beyond by participating in our Aviation Flight program assessment committee and providing her expertise as we look at ways to expand our offerings ...” “Her compassion, optimism, professionalism and superior work ethic have earned her the respect and admiration of students and colleagues alike.” Congratulations!

- The following two employees were nominated by faculty and staff for consideration of the 2016 CASA Service to the College Award along with Michelle Parker-Clark:
 - Ms. **Natalie Bohnert Richardson**, Dental Hygienist of the Dental Hygiene program, for her exemplary contribution as the Program Coordinator and Site Supervisor for the Dental Sealant Grant Program (DSGP); and
 - Ms. **Cara Doerr**, Business Manager II for the College, for her outstanding work of initiating a more efficient and concise time recording protocol, fiscal management, as well as streamlined Distance Education accounting.

Congratulations!

- During the calendar year of 2015, the following three faculty submitted their dossiers for tenure and promotion:
 - Assistant Professor **Bryan Harrison**, applied for promotion to Associate Professor with tenure in the Department of Aviation Management and Flight;
 - Associate Professor **Seung-Hee Lee**, applied for promotion to Professor with tenure in the School of Architecture; and
 - Assistant Professor **Andrey Soares**, applied for promotion to Associate Professor with tenure in the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies.

I am pleased to announce that their dossiers went successfully through peer review committees, external reviewers, chairs/directors, the Dean, and the Provost. Pending Board ratification at their

May 4th, 2016 meeting, their promotion in rank will be effective with the first appointment that begins on or after July 1st, 2016, and their tenure will be effective August 16, 2016. Please join me in congratulating these three faculty members on their achievements. I appreciate their contributions to the College and to SIU Carbondale. Congratulations!

- **Sandra Watts**, Assistant Professor of Radiologic Science and Program Director of Radiology, was elected Vice President of the Illinois State Society of Radiologic Technologists (ISSRT) last week at the 81st Annual Conference of the ISSRT in Peoria, Illinois. Congratulations!



- Four Radiologic Sciences (RADS) students, Shauna Crawford, Kati McIntyre, Becca Armstrong and Alex Roberts, competed in the Scholar Bowl at the 81st Annual ISSRT Conference last week in Peoria, Illinois. They competed against 11 other teams from 11 other radiology programs from all over the state and won 3rd place! Congratulations!



- Alpha Eta Rho (AHP), a professional fraternity composed of young aviation enthusiasts, hosted their annual spring banquet at SIU's Transportation Education Center on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 6:00 PM. SIU's AHP Chapter was founded in October 1963 and designated Sigma Chapter. Sigma Chapter has been one of the most active chapters in AHP, producing two National Student Presidents in the last three years. The banquet included dinner, the presentation of scholarships valued at \$11,000, the presentation of Sigma Chapter awards and two guest speakers; Captain Robert Clement, National AHP President and Mr. Steve Young, Interim Director of Aeronautics for the State of Illinois. The event was attended by approximately 75 guests.



Pictured above from left to right are: Arie Molina (President AHP-Sigma Chapter), Captain Robert Clement, Mr. Steve Young, and JP Murphy (Vice President AHP-Sigma Chapter). The following three students are **LuAnn Gatewood and Gina Gatewood Trover Memorial Scholarship** recipients:

1. Mr. Xavier Blake - \$1000:



2. Mr. Nicholas Higgin - \$1000



3. Ms. Rojean Heimstreet - \$7000 (unable to attend)

Mr. Kevin Lindsay received **Victor L. Davis Memorial Aviation Scholarship** - \$1000:



Mr. Arie Molina-Kozlovsky received **Herbert H. Howell Memorial Aviation Management Scholarship** - \$1000:



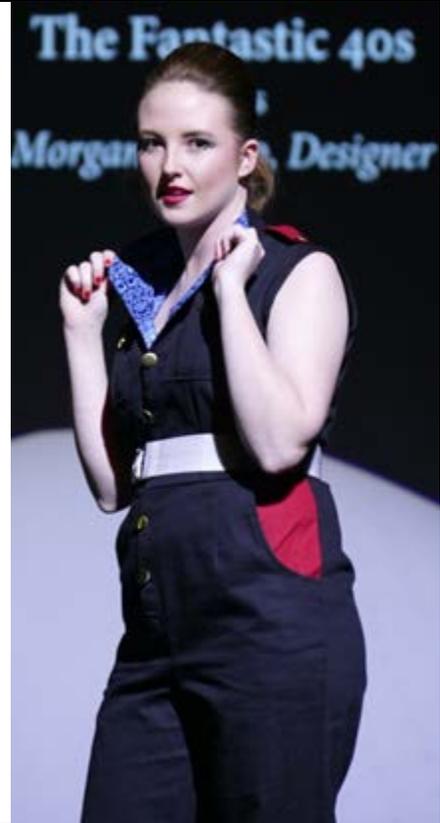
Congratulations!

- **Julie Davis**, PT, Program Director and Associate Professor of Physical Therapist Assistant Program, organized a successful community service event on Saturday, April 16, 2016. The Physical Therapist Assistant program participated in the River to River Relay by hosting a runner recover tent at the relay finish line in Golconda, IL. The River to River Relay is an annual event drawing participants from across the nation. Teams of 8 run an 80 mile course beginning at 6:15 am at the Mississippi River and ending at the Ohio River in Golconda. There were 250 teams participating. The PTA students were present to assist the runners with their recovery needs as well as assess for any injuries and/or issues they may have upon finishing. The program receives an invitation to participate each year from the race director who reports he receives much positive feedback about the services from returning participants each year. This year we were blessed with warm, sunny weather. In previous years, students have worked through freezing temperatures, snow, ice, rain and even tornado sirens last year.



- Congratulations to all the students who participated in the 2016 Fashion Design & Merchandising Program's Annual Student Showcase and Runway Fashion Shows held on Thursday, April 21, 2016 in the SIU Student Center. Over 150 students from all over the SIUC campus, including students in the Cosmetology Program at John A. Logan College, helped to present this event. The evening started with student exhibits, including the brand collaboration project, with students from fashion design, merchandising, styling, and interior design. Runway fashion shows featured garments from all design students in the FDM program. Over 400 people attended this event, which is held each April at the Student Center. Congratulations to the students and faculty of the FDM program!





Special thanks go to Fashion Design & Merchandising program faculty, Dr. Laura Kidd, Program Director, Ms. Shelby Adkinson, Dr. Siwon Cho, Ms. Judy Huyck, and Dr. Seung-Hee Lee for a great annual fashion show which is the capstone event of the Fashion Design & Merchandising program, in collaboration with the Interior Design program in the School of Architecture. Congratulations!

- I feel proud to share the following Fire Service Management (FSM) student testimony with you: *“The FSM program at SIU has been an extremely worthwhile endeavor. This program is truly growing the future leaders of the fire protection and public safety industry not only in the U.S. but worldwide. The majority of the students in the course are from a fire department background and have shown interest, motivation and a desire to serve in a higher capacity. Once again the students in the classroom seats are the future leaders for the fire service. I know this first hand. I am currently a student and a department Fire Chief in the Air National Guard. I’m currently stationed in Portland, Oregon. I began my education and pursuit of a degree while living in Illinois in the fall of 2011. Since then changes have taken place in the program. Throughout my career and educational progression, I have had the unique ability to see the impacts of the curriculum in a practical and real world setting, first hand. Having received very high quality education and credentialing through IFSAC, DoD and NFPA. The education at SIU’s FSM program has augmented a strong and confidently trained background and allowed me to often separate myself from equally trained peers in both professional competency and has allowed me to progress through my career at a quicker pace. I’d like to reiterate that SIU’s FSM has been the difference in what has set me aside from my peers. Evidence of this is in my winning the Chester E McCarty award for leadership in the State of Oregon and being named as a finalist for the ANG Fire Chief of Year in 2015.”*

Congratulations to Gary Kistner, Mark Rivero, Lindsay Laycoax, Peter Renz, and other faculty and staff in FSM/PSM for a great program!

- Please join me in congratulating each of the following seven (7) students on receiving \$1,000 NSA (National Security Agency) Cyber Security Scholarship!
 - Bryan McCarthy, junior, Information Systems Technologies, SIU Carbondale;
 - Joel Carter, senior, Information Systems Technologies, SIU Carbondale;
 - Carl Stiff, Shawnee Community College, Goreville;
 - Colten Gibbons, senior, Information Systems Technologies, SIU Carbondale;
 - Mark Blume, Lake Land College;
 - Steven Mangano, senior, Information Systems Technologies, SIU Carbondale; and
 - Damik Sabatos, Kaskaskia College.

They receive the scholarship certificates during the 4th SIU Cyber Security Day event on Saturday, April 23, 2016, as shown in the picture below: from left to right: Dr. Andy Wang (CASA Dean), Ms. Belle Woodward (IST Associate Professor, SIU Security Dawgs Advisor), Bryan McCarthy (SIU IST), Colten Gibbons (SIU IST), Damik Sabatos (KC), Mark Blume (LLC), Mr. Tom Imboden (IST Associate Advisor, SIU Tech Dawgs Advisor), and Dr. Sam Chung (Professor and Director of School of ISAT).



SPECIAL OLYMPICS SPECIAL SMILES

Students and faculty volunteers from the SIU Dental Hygiene program will be providing oral cancer screening and oral health education to the Special Olympics athletes on Friday, May 6, 2016. Goody bags will be provided for those who participate in the free screening event. Special Smiles is part of the Special Olympics Healthy Athletes program which offers health services and information to athletes in need. Special Olympics has become the largest global public health organization dedicated to serving people with intellectual disabilities. For more information please contact Jennifer S. Sherry, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene at clnteth@siu.edu or 618-453-8891. Event will be held at Southern Illinois University, Lew Hartzog Track and Field Complex: 405 Saluki Drive, Carbondale.

ON THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Monday, April 25, 2016: 9:00am, Freshman NSO Program, SIU Student Center.
- Tuesday, April 26, 2016: 3:30pm-5:30pm, SIU 2016 Faculty and Staff Excellence Awards, Library Hall of Presidents.
- Wednesday, April 27, 2016: 9:00am - 10:30am, Special Budget Planning Meeting, Dean's Conference Room; 3:00pm-4:30pm, Special Deans Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room.
- Thursday, April 28, 2016: 11:00am, Transfer NSO Program, SIU Student Center; 4:30pm - 6:00pm, McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program, John Guyon Auditorium.
- Friday, April 29, 2016: 9:00am, Freshman NSO Program, SIU Student Center; 3:30pm - 5:00pm, 2016 SIU Distinguished Alumni Awards, Library rotunda.
- Saturday, April 30, 2016: SIU Alumni Board Meeting.

AND FINALLY ...

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send an email to my SIU email awang@siu.edu; or call me at 618-536-6682. Also, if you know of anyone interested in receiving the CASA Dean's MMU, please ask them to send me an email and we will gladly add them to our mailing list. If you prefer not to receive the CASA Dean's MMU, please let me know, as well. Thank you.

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