CASA Dean's MMU (Monday Morning Update)

A Tradition of Excellence, A Standard of Success

Monday, November 18, 2019

Dear Colleagues,

Registration for Spring 2020 classes started October 29, 2019, and is open until January 19, 2020. This is a critical time to retain our first-year students who are freshmen or new transfer students. As of last Friday, 1,339 CASA students have registered for their Spring 2020 classes. The goal of the College is, within the next nine weeks, to have at least 90% of our first-year new students complete their spring registration before they leave for the winter holiday. Let us work together to meet this goal. This clearly requires everyone's effort. If you are a faculty member, please use a few minutes in each class to encourage students to register for their Spring classes as soon as possible. If you are an academic advisor, please provide the RUN numbers to students on a timely basis and schedule your advising meetings with students before they leave for the winter holiday.

There are more than 25 various kinds of holds preventing students from registering. For instance, if a student's bursar account currently has more than \$200 past due, this student will have a "Bursar Hold" (BR). The Registrar webpage at https://registrar.siu.edu/luminis/holdshelp.php contains a list of hold codes and how to remove the holds. Currently, there are more than 1,000 registration holds for all CASA students, and we are looking for different ways to help remove these roadblocks for our students. For a Bursar Hold (BR), for example, Saluki Cares has received a limited amount of money to provide needbased tuition assistance awards to Southern Illinois University Carbondale undergraduate students who are unable to register for Spring 2020 classes due to their Bursar balance. These awards are made possible due to the generosity of the SIU Foundation and SIU alumni members. Funds are limited and are intended to help with past due Bursar balances to enable registration for the Spring 2020 semester. Award amounts will not exceed \$1,000 and will not be applied to expenses not related to tuition/fees. Please make students aware of this opportunity and ask them to take action as soon as possible because this assistance will be awarded on a "first-come first-serve" basis. The Saluki Cares Need-Based Tuition Assistance application is available online here: https://form.jotform.com/81905305935964. Students must meet all eligibility requirements to be considered. There is also financial aid that will be given to first-generation students who have not received prior assistance from the Saluki Cares Need-Based Tuition Assistance program. More information about first-generation assistance is available here: https://salukicenter.siu.edu/index.php.

The data from our *Salukis Dream Big* project indicates an overwhelming desire for career development assistance as our first year students move into their second semester of enrollment. We are trying to pair an Academic Associate (AA) with students in the same academic field to provide timely assistance. An AA is a junior or senior student in CASA who serves as a resource to new students and a bridge between students and the administration. Students who feel a connection to their campus are more likely to fit in

and want to remain at the school. Our retention efforts focus on fostering these student connections through caring faculty and staff, various school events, conversation with Academic Associates, personalized advising, Saluki Cares, and so on.

The nation-wide retention rate for first-year college students in the U.S. is about 68%, according to a report by ACT. At SIU Carbondale, the first-year retention rate for the cohort entering Fall 2018 is 75.1%. In the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, the first-year retention rate for the same cohort is 82.8%. We would like our College's first year retention rate to be at least 90%. Let's work together to achieve our goal.

Below is a table of program-level first-year retention rates. All the data is based on the cohort entering Fall 2018 and was measured on the 10th day of Fall 2019. If your program first-year retention rate is below 75%, please discuss it at your faculty meeting, identify the roadblocks and establish an agenda for actions to improve student success in your program. It requires a focused commitment from everyone in the program and a process with best practices. First-year students often feel overwhelmed by the challenges of starting their academic career at a new university. We can help smooth that transition by our daily work helping students with mentoring, intervention, assistance and resources. Thank you.

Program-Level First-Year Retention Rates, for the Cohort Entering Fall 2018			
Academic Program	First-Year Retention Rate		
ARC - Architectural Studies	100%		
AVM - Aviation Management	100%		
ID - Interior Design	100%		
DH - Dental Hygiene	90.9%		
RADS - Radiologic Sciences	90.6%		
AUT - Automotive Technology	86.1%		
FDM - Fashion Design and Merchandising	83.3%		
MSFS - Mortuary Science and Funeral Services	75.0%		
AVT - Aviation Technologies	69.2%		
IST - Information Systems Technologies	50.0%		
HCM - Health Care Management	50.0%		

THIRD-PARTY COMMENT

SIU Carbondale is seeking reaffirmation of accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), covering all areas of the university, including the SIU School of Medicine. As a part of the reaccreditation process, the faculty, staff, students, alumni and the community have an opportunity to provide comments on the university and its academic programs directly to HLC. One of six regional accreditation bodies in the United States, the HLC accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions in a 19-state region that includes Illinois. The university's most recent accreditation was 2009-2010. SIU Carbondale's on-site accreditation visit is set for Feb. 17, 2020.

The comments sent directly to HLC are referred to as "Third Party Comments" and should address substantive matters related to the university's quality or its academic programs. HLC will compile the comments into a report that will be forwarded to the review team and the university before the on-site visit. Comments can be submitted online at <u>https://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/third-party-comment.html</u>. Comments are due one month before the Higher Learning Commission's on-site Feb. 17, 2020 visit.

A <u>draft of the university's "Assurance Argument" or self-study report</u> is also available for review and informal feedback. Any feedback submitted on the assurance argument will go directly to the <u>Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Programs</u> and will be used to inform and improve the final report. More information on the university's accreditation process and related material is at <u>hlcaccreditation.siu.edu/</u>. You may also call 618/453-7653 or email at apap@siu.edu.

CANNABIS LEGALIZATION TALKING POINTS

The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act was approved by both houses of the Illinois Legislature on May 31, 2019. Governor Pritzker signed the act into law on June 25, 2019. This Illinois State Law becomes effective January 1, 2020. Federal Law still prohibits cannabis use, possession, sale, transportation and distribution. Starting January 1, 2020, adults 21 and older may possess cannabis and purchase cannabis products in licensed stores. Possession for Illinois residents is limited to 30 grams of raw cannabis and 15 grams of cannabis for non-residents. It will be legal to smoke in one's own home and on-site in some cannabis-related businesses. However, use is prohibited in any public place, such as streets or parks, in a motor vehicle, on school grounds, near someone under the age of 21, near an on-duty school bus driver, police officer, firefighter or corrections officer. Any person, business or landlord can prohibit use on private property. Illinois colleges and universities will also be allowed to ban cannabis use.

1. How will the legalization of Cannabis in the state of Illinois change policy at SIU?

Southern Illinois University Carbondale is still required to abide by the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 (DFSCA) and the Controlled Substances Act. The DFSCA requires all institutions of Higher Education that receive federal funds (Pell grants, student loans, etc.) to prohibit the possession and use of cannabis on campus and to certify that the institution has implemented drug prevention programs which adhere to the DFSCA. The Controlled Substances Act continues to list cannabis as a Schedule 1 controlled substance and states that the possession of cannabis, in any location, is a misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in prison and a minimum fine of \$1,000.

2. Will there be zones on campus that are designated for use of Cannabis?

No, as allowing any possession or use of cannabis products on campus would violate the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 (DFSCA). Violations of the DFSCA can result in the University losing access to federal funds (Pell grants, student loans, etc.) and fines up to \$55,000 per violation.

3. Will edibles be permitted on campus or in SIU apartments?

No, as allowing any possession or use of any cannabis products on campus would violate the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 (DFSCA). Violations of the DFSCA can result in the University losing access to federal funds (Pell grants, student loans, etc.) and fines up to \$55,000 per violation. All University Housing buildings are considered SIUC property and are part of the University campus.

4. What changes will happen with the consequences?

For students under the age of 21, there will be no changes. University sanctions for violations of the Student Conduct Code are intended to be educational and provide students with an opportunity to reflect and learn from the adjudication of a violation or attempt to restore or promote the academic environment of the University community. Students who are found responsible for a cannabis-related violation of the Student Conduct Code will likely be referred to Wellness and Health Promotion Services for participation in programs that are designed to help students reflect on their choices about cannabis and to reduce their risk of being harmed by use.

For students over the age of 21, if they are in possession of or are using cannabis on campus, there will be no changes. If the student is in possession of or using cannabis off-campus they <u>may</u> be referred to the office of Student Rights and Responsibilities (SRR) by the Department of Public Safety or another agency. SRR will meet with the student and determine if the student was in possession of or using cannabis while on or off-campus.

5. Can you store it without using it on campus?

No, as allowing the possession of any cannabis products on-campus would violate the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 (DFSCA). Violations of the DFSCA can result in the University losing access to federal funds (Pell grants, student loans, etc.) and fines up to \$55,000 per violation.

6. What would have to happen for changes to be made to policy?

Changes would have to be made to the DFSCA and to the Controlled Substances Act.

7. When would, if any changes, be made to policy?

Changes will be made to policy only when federal laws and guidelines are changed.

For presentations on the new Cannabis laws, please contact Student Rights and Responsibilities at 618-536-2338 and Students' Legal Assistance at 618-536-6677.

CONGRATULATIONS

Please join me in congratulating Mr. James Seargent II for being selected as the 2020 CASA
Distinguished Alumni Award winner! Many thanks go to Michael Behrmann, Chair of the
Automotive Technology Department and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, for his
nomination and recommendation. Many thanks also go to Barb Lipe, CASA Dean's Office, for
coordinating the vote and overseeing the process. The CASA Board of Counselors had an online
meeting last month and selected James Seargent II to receive this year's award.



Mr. James Seargent II is a 2003 graduate of CASA, graduating with a B.S. Degree in Automotive Technology. He has demonstrated a successful level of professional achievement. Starting his career with Robert Bosch, the world's largest automotive parts manufacturer, Mr. Seargent quickly rose through the ranks to leading national accounts and building supervisory experience. Mr. Seargent then transitioned from the traditional car and truck market to the golf cart industry by becoming the sales manager of the business-to-business specialty vehicle division for Nivel Parts and Manufacturing. Nivel is one of the largest golf cart parts and accessory supplier in the world. In January 2018, Mr. Seargent transitioned to Garla as their manager for technical service. Garla is considered the premier global luxury golf car and low speed vehicle manufacturer and is based in Denmark. In this position, Mr. Seargent leads service engineering projects, manages field service engineers, works with engineering to develop and implement testing procedures, and works with vendors to create new products to be compliant with varying global regulations. Mr. Seargent has mentored numerous young adults in each of the communities he has resided in over the years. He is also active in supporting their involvement in organized motorsports activities to help nurture their passions. Mr. Seargent serves on the SIU National Automotive Technology Advisory Board. He is one who always keeps searching for new opportunities and ways to develop further support for SIU and its students. He dedicates numerous days per year to travel to SIU and supports the College and University at various events. He is a tireless supporter of SIU.

Mr. Seargent led the charge when he was at Robert Bosch to provide the financial gift to SIU to name the Bosch Automotive Parts Center of the Transportation Education Center (TEC) in perpetuity. This financial commitment took significant action on his behalf to secure this donation. It is currently the second largest named space in the TEC for the program.



Mr. Seargent is also a large donor of gift-in-kind items to the Automotive Technology program. He is consistently on the lookout for items and ways to support the program. Currently with Garia, Mr. Seargent is working with their CEO and COO to investigate new opportunities to work with and support SIU from their global operations. He is dedicated to SIU, the College, and the Automotive Technology Department. He is not one to shy away from promoting SIU at any opportunity. He has personally engaged other industry partners to further their support and has been instrumental in the Department forming several new industry linkages.

With significant contributions to the College, Mr. James Seargent II is an excellent example of a Distinguished Alumni from the College of Applied Sciences and Arts and is well deserving of the award. We are looking forward to Mr. Seargent's speech during our 2020 Honors Day on April 4, 2020.

Congratulations!

• Please join me in recognizing and congratulating Associate Professor **Rick McKinnies** and Clinical Instructor **Jennifer Walker** as the 2019-2020 School of Health Sciences Tenured/Tenure Track (T/TT) and Non Tenure Track (NTT) Teacher of the Year awards respectively. Rick and Jennifer, thank you for your hard work and dedication to the students and the program. Congratulations!



Richard McKinnies, Associate Professor of Radiologic Sciences, School of Health Sciences



Jennifer Walker, Clinical Instructor and Coordinator of MRI and CT, School of Health Sciences

• Please join me in recognizing and congratulating Dr. **Sam Pavel** as the 2019-2020 Department of Aviation Management and Flight tenure/tenure track Teacher of the Year, and **Rachel Piacentini** as the non-tenure track Teacher of the Year. Sam and Rachel, thank you for your hard work and dedication to the students and the program. Congratulations!



Samuel R. Pavel, Associate Professor of Aviation Management and Flight



Rachel Piacentini, Flight Instructor, Aviation Management and Flight

• Please join me in recognizing and congratulating **Martin Hebel** as the 2019-2020 Department of Aviation Technologies tenure/tenure track Teacher of the Year, and **Harry Fanning** as the non-

tenure track Teacher of the Year. Martin and Harry, thank you for your hard work and dedication to the students and the program. Congratulations!



• Please join me in recognizing and congratulating **Jessica Suda** as the 2019-2020 Department of Automotive Technology tenure/tenure track Teacher of the Year, and **Anthony Heathcoat** as the non-tenure track Teacher of the Year. Jessica and Anthony, thank you for your hard work and dedication to the students and the program. Congratulations!



• Please join me in recognizing and congratulating **Laura Morthland** as the 2019-2020 School of Architecture tenure/tenure track Teacher of the Year, and **Christopher Post** as the non-tenure track Teacher of the Year for the School of Architecture. Laura and Christopher, thank you for your hard work and dedication to the students and the program. Congratulations!

	Laura Morthland, Associate Professor and Interior Design Program Coordinator	Photo Not Available	Christopher Post, Lecturer of Architecture, School of Architecture
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- Please join me in congratulating our **Flying Salukis** on their overwhelming success in the 2019 Region VIII SAFECON flight competition, held October 29 - November 2, 2019 at KMDH -Southern Illinois Airport, in Murphysboro, IL, hosted by Southern Illinois University. Some highlights include:
 - Preflight- Alex Evans 1st place, Andrew Finer 2nd place
 - o Aircraft Rec- Andrew Finer 2nd place, Max Hamilton 3rd place
 - Computer Accuracy- Andrew Finer 1st place, Colin Heisler 2nd place, Gavin Voris 3rd Place, Wendy Elliot 4th place (clean sweep!)
 - o Ground Trainer- Andrew Finer 1st place
 - Message Drop- Gavin Voris/Matthew Santos 1st place, Colin Heisler/Andrew Finer 2nd place
 - Power off landing- Alex Evans 1st place, Andrew Finer 2nd place
 - o Short Field Landing- Michael Oschenbauer 1st place
 - SCAN- Gavin Voris 1st place, Colin Heisler 2nd place
 - Traditional Nav- Clean sweep!
 - Top Pilot & Top Scoring Contestant- Andrew Finer!

SIU Flying Salukis finished with 341 points, nearly doubling second-place Lewis University. Purdue University was third. The top two teams advance to the national finals, May 18-23, 2020, in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, at Wittman Regional Airport. Congratulations!

- Dr. **Siwon Cho**, Associate Professor of Fashion Design & Merchandising (FDM), presented two research papers at the International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA) annual conference:
 - Chen-Yu, J., Cho, S., & Norton, M. (October, 2019). Sexy-clothing Behavior of Girls in the First-Year of High School. Paper presented at the annual conference of International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA). Las Vegas, NV. Proceedings of the ITAA, Social and Psychological Aspects Track. Available at https://lib.dr.iastate.edu/itaa_proceedings/
 - Cho, S. (October, 2019). Self-regulated Learning and Fashion YouTuber. Paper presented at the annual conference of International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA). Las Vegas, NV. Proceedings of the ITAA, Pedagogy and Professional Development Track. Available at <u>https://lib.dr.iastate.edu/itaa_proceedings/</u>

Congratulations!

- Dr. **Seung-Hee Lee**, Judge William Holmes Professor of Fashion Design & Merchandising, has a paper published in an SSCI (Social Sciences Citation Index) journal:
 - Workman, J. E., Lee, S. H., & Jung, K. (2019). Trendsetting, Cultural Awareness, Cultural Receptivity, and Future Orientation among the Young Generation of Chinese College Students: Trendsetters Critically Matter. *Sustainability*, *11*(20), 5853. *SSCI Journal*.

Dr. Lee also had two peer-reviewed papers presented at the following internal conference:

- Lee, S-H., Workman, J., & Liang, Y. (October 2019). Influence of para-social relationships with digital celebrities and social media engagement on objectified body consciousness and eWOM. International Textiles & Apparel Association, Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Liang, Y., Lee, S-H., & Workman, J. (October 2019). Easy to follow a fashion trendsetter on social media but it's hard to become one. International Textiles & Apparel Association, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Congratulations!

- Dr. Qian (Jennifer) Huang, Assistant Professor of Architecture, has a paper accepted for publication through the CRC 2020. The ASCE Construction Research Congress (CRC) is one of the premier international conferences in the area of construction engineering and management. It is organized every two years by the Construction Research Council of the ASCE Construction Institute. CRC 2020 will be hosted by Arizona State University (ASU) in Tempe, Arizona, on March 8-10, 2020. The CRC 2020 Proceedings will be included in the ASCE library. Congratulations!
- Faith Miller, Program Director and Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene (DH), had an Illinois Department of Public Health funded grant project "Dental Sealant Grant Program" started for another year. The amount for this grant was \$28,000 for FY 2020. The Dental Sealant Grant Program provides for the application of dental sealants to selected permanent molars for a targeted number of eligible children. This school-based/linked program includes: preventive oral health care, oral health education and case management to dental homes. Natalie Richardson and Kelly Lattan will be working on this project as well. Congratulations!
- Jennifer Sherry, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene (DH), received a \$7,805 Community Grant from the ISDS Foundation for the "Senior Smiles Program" during October 1, 2019 -August 30, 2020. The mission of the ISDS (Illinois State Dental Society) Foundation is to improve the oral health of children, families, and individuals throughout the state by supporting initiatives that expand access to care and increase dental health education and awareness. Additionally, the ISDS Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the dental profession through special programs and services benefiting Illinois dental students and dentists. Congratulations!
- Jennifer Sherry, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene (DH), received a \$3,663 grant from the ISDS Foundation for the "Give Adults a Smile Day" project this year. The Dental Hygiene (DH) program has been doing a series of "Smile Day" events for children, adults, and veterans, and I am glad to see external funds come in to make the community service projects continue to succeed. This year, senior adults age 65 and over who are covered under Medicare, have no

dental insurance and who are on a fixed income will be seen for the free dental exams, cleanings, X-rays and fluoride varnish treatments. Congratulations!

 Dr. Maria Claudia Franca, Associate Professor and Program Director of the Communication Disorders and Sciences (CDS), has been a facilitator and coordinator for CDS' long-term partnership with the University of Sao Paulo (USP) in Brazil, initiated formally in 2016. Dr. Franca developed a CDS Global Seminar/Study Abroad program proposal recently to offer opportunity for expanded academic and multicultural experience increasing national and international visibility of the CDS program. USP is a public university in the Brazilian state of São Paulo. It is one of the largest and most prestigious educational institutions of higher education in Latin America, being ranked #100 worldwide in reputation in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. USP has currently approximately 90,000 enrolled students across eleven campuses, four of them in the city of São Paulo. Congratulations!





• The School of Health Sciences (SHS) had a Pancake Day on Thursday, October 17, 2019. SHS faculty and staff arrived early in the morning, some of them before 6:00 a.m., to make a pancake breakfast for our students. The event was a great success, as approximately 160 students were served and many made very positive comments.

Research shows that students who drop out often feel unwelcome on campus and incapable of meeting academic expectations. In contrast, successful students have a sense of connection to faculty, classmates, and advisors, and a positive mindset about their ability to achieve their goals. This SHS Pancake Day is one step to strengthen faculty-student ties and encourage students to work hard to reach their goals. This is a great retention and student success effort. Way to go!

• The Dental Hygiene (DH) Program participated in the SIU "150 Challenge" on October 30, 2019, by collecting 150 canned goods/non-perishable food items to donate to the Saluki Food Pantry. Below is a photo of key participants, from left to right, student, Natalie Richardson (DH Clinical Instructor), Teri McSherry (DH Senior Lecturer), Jennifer McKinnies (DH Assistant Instructor), and student. Congratulations!



- Please join me in congratulating the School of Health Sciences (SHS) for its articulation agreements with McHenry County College, Crystal Lake, IL. The agreements have been signed by SIU administration and McHenry County College leaders. According to the agreement, all graduates of McHenry County College with an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Health Information Technology and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Health Care Management (HCM) in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations to **Scott Collins** and all SHS faculty and staff!
- A graduate of Southern Illinois University Carbondale is the newest Architect of the Illinois State Capitol. **Andrea Aggertt**, a 2003 graduate of the B.S. in Architectural Studies (ARC) program and a Newton, IL native, will work to preserve the capitol's infrastructure and increase the functionality of historic buildings on capitol grounds. Aggertt is the third person to hold the position of Architect of the Capitol. The architect also provides professional expertise regarding the preservation of architectural and artistic elements entrusted to its care, and provides recommendations concerning design, construction, and maintenance of the facilities and grounds.



Ms. Andrea Aggertt also completed a minor in Management while she was at SIUC. She was also recently selected as one of McLean County's "Top 20 People to Watch Under Age 40" by the Bloomington newspaper. After SIU, Andrea went into the graduate program at UIUC. Congratulations!

On Saturday, October 19, 2019, SIU celebrated the 25th SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day. A United Airlines Airbus 320 loaded with 140 passengers, including Chicago area high school students and SIU Alumni and staff, gracefully landed at Southern Illinois Airport around 9:00 a.m. United Airlines donated the use of a revenue generating aircraft, allowing it to be staffed by an all SIU alumni crew and flown to Carbondale. SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day is the only event of its type in the nation. Students toured SIU's outstanding aviation facilities in the Transportation Education Center (TEC), 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 annual event has evolved into a tremendous venue for recruitment, community outreach, career counseling, and reconnecting with alumni. SIU - United Airlines Aviation Career Day started with a welcome and photo session followed by a number of workshops, tours of the campus, and flight events. The United Airlines A320 departed Southern Illinois Airport at 5:00 p.m. bound for Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.







The SIU - UA Aviation Career Day represents our effort to engage alumni and current students in all aspects of the University, serving as ambassadors and advocates for the University, and assisting with student recruitment. SIU aviation has a proud tradition of employing this unique recruiting technique. In addition, the loyalty of our graduates in participating in this event is laudable. I want to thank our faculty, staff, and students, especially the Women in Aviation RSO, Aviation Ambassadors and Flying Salukis, for their great job in support of one of our major recruiting events of the year.

Congratulations to the Department of Aviation Management and Flight and Department of Aviation Technologies, for coordinating another successful United Airlines Career Day event!

• **Belle Woodward**, Associate Professor of Information Systems Technologies, and the Tech Dawgs, a Registered Student Organization, offered an Android Application workshop for girls through the "Expanding Your Horizons Network, girls' gateway to science, technology, engineering and mathematics" on Saturday, October 19, 2019. As shown in the following pictures, girls were excited to participate in such career workshops with IST faculty and students. Congratulations!





• The Department of Automotive Technology hosted a successful Industry Advisory Board Meeting on November 14-15, 2019, in the Transportation Education Center (TEC). There were over 50 individuals in attendance, including board members and industry leaders. The board members collected surveys from students and faculty before the meeting and discussed the input on Thursday afternoon. After an introduction session, multiple scholarships were awarded to the recipients. The board provided valuable advice to the program curriculum development, facilities and equipment, and top traits companies are looking for in candidates.









• The Radiologic Sciences Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program had an accreditation review and site visit following the CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) has awarded continuing accreditation to our Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program in the School of Health Sciences. The recent peer review conducted by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (JRC-DMS) and CAAHEP's Board of Directors recognizes the program's substantial compliance with the nationally established accreditation Standards. The next comprehensive evaluation of the program, including an on-site review, is scheduled to occur in 2024. Thanks to **Scott Collins, Shannon Anderson, Amy Bro** and other Sonography Program faculty and staff who were involved in the accreditation preparation. Congratulations!

ON THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Monday, November 18, 2019: 9:15am 11:30am, Deans Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room; 8:30am 12:00pm, Recruiting Event at Murphysboro High School.
- Tuesday, November 19, 2019: 10:00am 11:00am, Provost Interview with Deans Council; 2:00pm-3:00pm, Provost Interview open forum with faculty and staff, Morris Library Guyon Auditorium; 6:00pm-7:00pm, Provost Interview open forum with students, SSB 150; 12:00pm -3:00pm, Recruiting Event at Murphysboro High School.
- Wednesday, November 20, 2019: 9:00am 11:30pm, CASA Administrative Staff Meeting, Dean's Conference Room; 3:00pm - 4:00pm, SOA Director Search Committee meeting, Dean's Conference Room.
- Thursday, November 21, 2019: 7:30pm 9:30pm, Southern Illinois Symphony presents: Handel's Messiah, Shryock Auditorium.
- Friday, November 22, 2019: 8:00am 12:00pm, NTT term faculty reappointment letters sent out.
- Saturday, November 23, 2019, 2:00pm 5:00pm, Saluki Football vs. North Dakota State University, Saluki Stadium. Thanksgiving Break for Students, today Sunday, December 1, 2019.

AND FINALLY ...

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send an email to <u>awang@siu.edu</u>; 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.

Andy Ju An Wang, Ph.D. Dean, College of Applied Sciences and Arts