

CASA Dean's MMU (Monday Morning Update)

A Tradition of Excellence, A Standard of Success

Monday, April 15, 2019

Dear Colleagues,

The 2019 Honors Day Recognition Ceremony was held on Saturday, April 6, 2019. The College of Applied Sciences and Arts recognized 429 honors students and 115 scholarship recipients for a total of more than \$158,000 in scholarships. On behalf of the College, I congratulate all the honors students and scholarship winners. Many thanks to the CASA Honors Day Committee and everyone who volunteered their time to help at the event:

Sandi Watts, Rolando Gonzalez-Torres, Martin Hebel, Daniel Mattingly, Lorelei Ruiz, James Sissom, Ralph Tate, Sandy Collins, Michael Behrmann, Michael Burgener, Scott Collins, John Dobbins, Elaine Atwood, Rhonda Ferguson, Jennifer Sherry, Robert Rados, Donna Colwell, Stacey McKinney, John Legier, Brandon Hirsch, Tim Davis, Barb Lipe, Cara Doerr, Jason Keast, Lucas Lenz, James Loggins, and Alec Ramsden.

We would not have had a successful day without your help and you are truly appreciated. A special thank you to Barb Lipe who was one of the key leaders making this event a huge success. Thank you.

Each Spring semester an Honors Day Recognition Ceremony is held for undergraduate students exhibiting high achievement. Qualification for recognition is determined at the end of the third week of the Spring semester. Recognition at that time will be accorded to a full- or part-time undergraduate student who has (1) attained an undergraduate cumulative grade point average at SIU Carbondale of 3.50 or better (including transfer credit, if applicable), and (2) reached the benchmarks of 12, 45, 75, or 105 SIU cumulative credit hours of coursework since the prior year's qualification determination. Given the rigorous demands of our academic programs, a 3.5 or better GPA is an excellent accomplishment.

As a college tradition, we honor and recognize E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award and ASA Distinguished Alumni Award recipients by asking them to be keynote speakers at the annual Honors Day Recognition Ceremony. Professor Julie Davis, 2019 recipient of the E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award, provided three points of advice for students during her touching speech:

- (1) Take chances and challenge yourself;
- (2) Be thankful to those in your life; and
- (3) Never underestimate the impact you can have on another person.

This year's recipient of the ASA Distinguished Alumni Award, Mr. Shannon Kraus, gave an inspiring talk to the audience about his experience and insight as a successful architect, Executive Vice President and shareholder of one of the largest architecture firms in the world. His firm is known for projects like

the Colts and Vikings NFL stadiums, resort hotels and hospitals. He is Director of the East Coast Region, overseeing six offices and about 400 people. He provided four ideas for our students:

- (1) Define success on your own terms;
- (2) Embrace the suck and own it;
- (3) Find your tribe; and
- (4) Success is achieved by taking risks on opportunities you are passionate about.

CASA RESEARCH FLASH TALK 3.0

The College of Applied Sciences and Arts Research Flash Talk 3.0 will take place on the evening of Wednesday, April 17, 2019, starting 5:00pm with refreshments at the Varsity Center, 418 S. Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, IL. Flash Talk presentations begin at 6:00pm.

This year, a total of 46 abstracts were received, almost double compared to prior years. Due to time limitations, 28 presentations by 39 faculty and staff have been arranged in the main theater of the Varsity Center, and 18 abstracts will be presented as poster displays in the hallway of the Varsity Center. This is the third year for the event. Faculty will give a 3-5 minute PowerPoint-based talk, with each presenter answering three questions: What is it? Why is it of interest? How might the community be further involved? Because the audience may not be familiar with a technical topic, presenters will make their discussions understandable to people who are outside of the expertise field.

The goal is for this event to serve as a catalyst for collaboration among faculty, staff, and the community members. The Varsity Center is at the heart of the Carbondale downtown area, so it is convenient for community members to participate in this event. The Flash Talk can also be helpful in the initial stages of research, particularly when there is active recruitment for more participants or collaborators. Research achievements by SIU faculty can play a role in saving lives and improving the way we live. Sharing research with a wider audience can make the research more visible, thus enhancing the impact of the research.

2019 SUMMER RESEARCH SUPPORT

In order to promote research and creativity, further develop our College's unique strengths and opportunities in applied and interdisciplinary research, and grow CASA's extramural research funding, the College will continue to support faculty summer research in 2019.

This year, the Dean's office received ten research proposals, which are currently under blind-review by the CASA Research Committee. We are expecting to announce the winners at the end of this month. For more information, please check the College webpage: <https://research.asa.siu.edu/summer-research/index.php>.

CONGRATULATIONS

- The College of Applied Sciences and Arts honors its staff members who have demonstrated excellence through their service to their departments or schools, the college, and the university. The “Service to the College Award” is in recognition of an individual employed in an 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 recipients create “a culture where all employees embrace their responsibilities for the recruitment and retention of students, and act as goodwill 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.

After the nomination process, the Selection Committee met recently and selected the winner. The 2019 recipient of the Service to the College (CS/AP) is **Brandie Coleman**, Office Support Associate in the School of Allied Health (SAH). This is the top staff award in our College. The recipient receives \$500 in cash and a plaque, and the recipient’s name will be inscribed on a permanent, prominent wall plaque in the office of the Dean. Congratulations!



Office Support Associate **Brandie Coleman** has been a valued staff member in the School of Allied Health (SAH) since 2011. All five programs in SAH require clinical practice or internships prior to graduation. Ms. Coleman has the daunting task of securing clinical education and internship contract (Memorandum of Understanding) with each facility in which students are placed prior to their start date. The assignment requires coordination between Program Directors, the contracted facility, SIU legal department, and SIU administration. The clinical education facilities are located all across the United States. In addition to securing new contracts, Ms. Coleman must maintain the current contracts, including tracking expiration dates and renewing contracts in a time frame that it does not adversely affect student placement. There are more than 500 MOUs managed by Brandie in the School of Allied Health.

Brandie's desk is located in the main entry of the School office. She is the first point of contact for anyone entering the office. She greets all entering with a smile and offers assistance regardless of their need. She answers questions from faculty, staff, students, parents, and visitors. She has personally been very helpful to many SAH students in need as they entered the office looking for assistance or advice. At any given time, there will be one or more persons standing at her desk asking questions because they know she will help in any way possible. She also assists with all open house events and monthly social events such as the pancake breakfast, cookie and water offerings for students, SIU Day of Giving, and any other event for students or applicants of the School and the College.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all nominators and the Service to the College (CS/AP) Award Selection Committee for their diligent work and service. Way to go, Brandie!

- At the CASA Board of Counselors meeting on April 5th, 2019, **Shannon Kraus** was presented the 2019 CASA Distinguished Alumni Award, as shown in the following picture. Kraus, a 1995 graduate in Architectural Studies, is now Executive Vice President, Principal and Board Director of HKS, Inc., a 1,400 person global architecture firm. The company's architectural design work includes major projects all over the world, including football stadiums for the Minnesota Vikings, Dallas Cowboys and Los Angeles Rams; health systems including the Cleveland Clinic, Mayo Clinic and Kaiser Health; and several hotel chains. Kraus has served as lead designer and senior planner for many projects both domestic and abroad. He emphasizes sustainability, resiliency and regenerative design, and to be more mindful of how our projects shape communities and how they can empower or limit social equity. Kraus has completed more than 20 races that are marathon-length or longer in the last five years, including one that was 50 miles. Congratulations!



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- Dr. **Seung-Hee Lee**, Professor of Fashion Design & Merchandising, has the recent research accomplishments below:
 - A paper entitled "Purchasing fashion counterfeits and citizenship," co-authored with K. Jung and J. Workman, was published in *Sustainability (SSCI Journal) 2019 11(1), 103*; https://www.mdpi.com/2071-1050/11/1/103/review_report.
 - A paper entitled "*Trendsetting, cultural awareness, cultural receptivity, and future time orientation among Chinese consumers*," co-authored with K. Jung and J. Workman, was presented at the Marketing Management Association (MBAA International Conference) in Chicago, March 27-29, 2019.
 - A paper entitled "*Fashion trendsetting, pro-environmental behavior, and public service motivation*," co-authored with J. Workman, accepted for presentation at the International Textiles & Apparel Association (ITAA) / Regents Joint Conference in London, July 30 - August 1, 2019.

Congratulations!

- A research proposal titled "Ancient Practices: An Interdisciplinary Minor" brought together eight SIU faculty: Mont Allen, Ken Anderson, Frances Harackiewicz, Gretchen Dabbs, Matthew McCarroll, Lynn Gill, Rob Hahn, and Dr. **Jon Davey**, AIA, Professor of Architecture and Interior Design. Their proposal has been accepted for an NEH (National Endowment for the Humanities) Humanities Connections Grant of \$100,000. The project will see the creation at SIU of a new Minor in Ancient Practices through a set of integrated courses spanning five colleges and multiple disciplines. The grant is highly competitive: of 51 proposals submitted this year, the NEH selected only four for funding, i.e., a funding rate of 8%. Congratulations!
- Dr. **Michael Robertson**, Associate Professor of Aviation Management and Flight, applied for promotion to Professor in the Department of Aviation Management and Flight last year. Interim Provost & Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Meera Komaraju recommended approval of his application for promotion to the Board of Trustees on March 25, 2019. Pending Board ratification of this recommendation, Dr. Robertson's promotion in rank is effective on July 1, 2019. Please join me in congratulating Michael's achievements. Way to go!
- Congratulations goes out to **Jennifer Walker**, Clinical Instructor in the MRI/CT specialization with the Radiologic Science (RADS) program in the School of Allied Health, as the graduates of this specialization experienced a 100% pass rate on the MR exam offered by the ARRT (American Registry of Radiologic Technologists). Eleven (11) of twenty (20) graduates chose to take the exam and all passed, and one graduate earned a 97%. Taking this exam is optional as some may choose to take the CT examination for employment purposes. Congratulations!

- On Tuesday, April 2, the Illinois Junior Academy of Science presentations were displayed and reviewed in the SIUC Student Center Ballrooms for judging. Dr. **Sandie Beebe** and Mr. **Tim Davis** were teamed together as judges in the Health Science Division for the 2nd group of presenters reviewing 5 presentations out of 32 Health Science presenters. Topics judged were: eye influences for accuracy of peripheral vision, various types of musical effects on the heart rate and blood pressure, how age affects people's dominant brain hemisphere, what saves berries from molding, and does a specific video game affect heart rate and blood pressure compared to exercising. Presenters were junior high level students. Their presentations included posters, oral presentations and a formal paper. Criteria for evaluating included evidence of scientific process skills, communication display, oral presentation and a written report. These individuals were very professional and provided positive attributes for future students!
- Mr. **Tim Janello**, Associate Professor of Automotive Technology, has received an online course development grant, \$5,000, for AUT 440 Diesel Engine Performance and Emissions, from the SIU Extended Campus. The course will be developed within one year, and it is expected to be offered online either Fall 2019 or Spring 2020. Congratulations!
- Dr. **Qian (Jenny) Huang**, Assistant Professor of Architecture, has received an online course development grant, \$5,000, for ARC 210 Introduction to Construction Management, from the SIU Extended Campus. The course will be developed within one year, and it is expected to be offered online either Fall 2019 or Spring 2020. Congratulations!
- Sara Reh**, senior student in the Architectural Studies (ARC) program, has a perfect 4.0 GPA for more than 12 credit hours, and she is also in the University Honors Program. She has been selected to be the CASA Gonfalon Carrier at the upcoming Commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

Congratulations!
- Mr. **Timothy L. Jackson**, a 1990 graduate from the CASA Advanced Technical Studies program, has been promoted to Chief Information Officer of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., Houston, Texas. Congratulations! We take great pride in the career accomplishments of our graduates.
- Students from the SIU Dental Hygiene program volunteered at the Special Olympics Region K Adult Bowling Event on March 21, 2019, in Harrisburg, IL. Pictured in the white t-shirts (left to right) are juniors Marissa Kasuba, Lauren Wilgus, and Alyssa Dolder. Thank you for volunteering for such a great event and helping the community.



- Please join me in congratulating the Department of Automotive Technology (AUT) for its articulation agreements with College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL. The agreements have been signed by SIU administration and College of DuPage leaders. According to the agreement, all graduates of College of DuPage with an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Automotive Service Technology and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Automotive Technology (AUT) in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations to **Mike Behrmann** and all Automotive Technology faculty and staff!
- Eleven members of the 2019 AAS Radiography Class attended the Illinois State Society of Radiologic Technologists Annual Conference in East Peoria April 10 – 12 with Assistant Professor **Sandi Watts**. The students attended many educational presentations, participated in the Scholar Bowl and a Registry Review and met one of their textbook authors. Mikayla Stanfield won the Tim Cuff Educational Scholarship for \$500. Congratulations!

The pictures below were provided by Professor Sandra Watts.





- On Friday, March 29, 2019, the Fashion Design & Merchandising Association (FDMA) student organization conducted a service project. Collaborating with Professor Faith Miller of the Dental Hygiene program and her sorority, The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, FDMA students made dresses for little girls in Haiti from pillow cases as a part of their Global Impact Project. Students volunteered their time and worked very hard, and their service is certainly appreciated!





- The Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Class of 2017 graduate **Lindsay Meverden** and her support dog, Duke, visited last week to make a donation of splints and braces to be used for classroom teaching. Lindsay is currently a PTA at Libertyville Manor in Libertyville, IL. She is pursuing a Master's in Recreation with an emphasis on Outdoor Recreation Resource Management. Way to go!



- On Saturday, April 13, 2019, a group of Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) students sponsored a recovery tent at the finish line of the River to River Relay in Golconda, IL. Students were there to provide services to race participants as they completed the 80-mile relay. There were 250 teams participating with eight members each. It was a busy day and a little cold as the sun went down and the rain came in on the Ohio River. The PTA program has sponsored a recovery tent each year for the past 10 years.



- The School of Architecture held a Tau Sigma Delta Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 11, 2019, in the Quigley Hall Gallery, Room 119. The following students received Tau Sigma Delta Awards:

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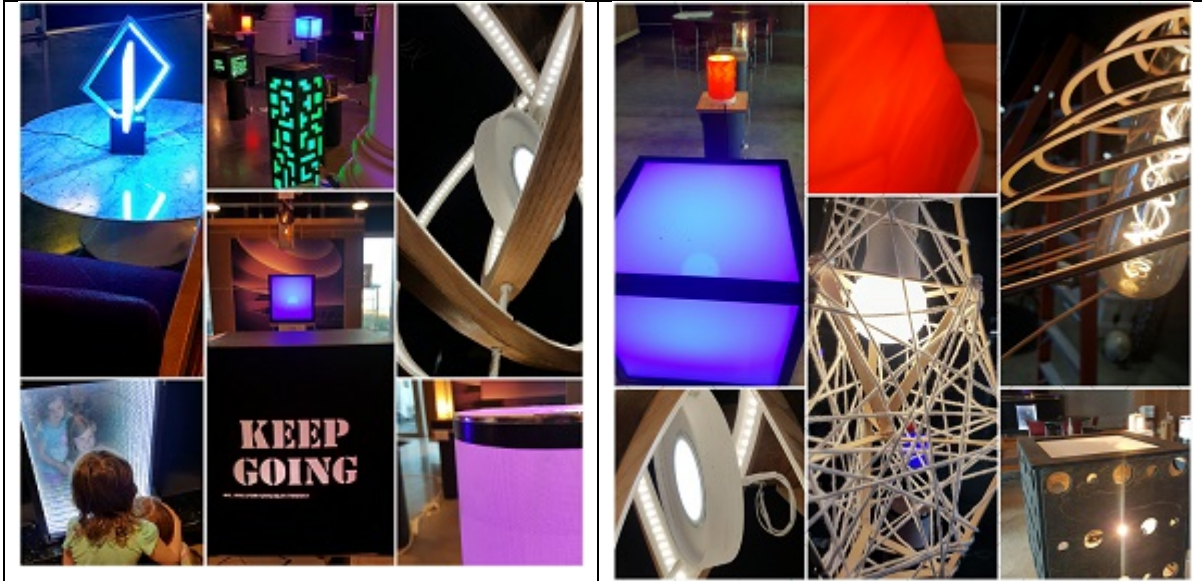
The following students received Luminaire Awards:

- Reid Michael - 1st Place
- Kyle Rowbotham - 2nd Place
- Ruth Murillo - 3rd Place

Congratulations!

The pictures below were taken by Professor Peter Smith during the Tau Sigma Delta Awards Ceremony.





- The Fashion Design and Merchandising (FDM) senior students participate in the live fashion industry and shows every year. This year they went to Nashville Fashion Week during the first week of April with Professors **Shelby Adkinson** and **Judy Huyck**. Nashville Fashion Week has partnered with OZ Arts Nashville for all four nights of runway shows. The pictures below show the group and some of the activities they attended. The students get to meet some of the designers and receive a behind-the-scenes look at a major fashion show.



SIU OPEN HOUSE

This is a friendly reminder about the upcoming Spring Open House this Friday, April 19, at the SIU Arena. The detailed full schedule is available at:

http://admissions.siu.edu/_common/documents/open-house/schedule-of-events.pdf

The Academic College Fair set-up will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The Academic College Fair takes place from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

NEW CASA VEHICLE

The College has purchased a new 2019 Toyota Highlander XLE Hybrid SUV, with delivery expected the 2nd or 3rd week of May 2019. We will enforce a new set of rules for users who drive a college vehicle, including: (1) No smoking is permitted in a college vehicle. (2) Cars must be kept clean. Drivers or the drivers' departments are responsible for cleaning expenses, if appropriate, as well as their own traffic citations, if any.

ON THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Monday, April 15, 2019: New faculty hire interview meetings; Reminder of Research Flash Talk 3.0 PPT and poster presentations.
- Tuesday, April 16, 2019: 9:00am - 10:00pm, CASA Research Committee Meeting, Dean's Conference Room; 10:00am - 12:30pm, Deans Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room.
- Wednesday, April 17, 2019: 9:00am - 11:30am, Ad Staff Meeting, Dean's Conference Room; 5:00pm - 8:30pm, ASA Research Flash Talk 3.0, Carbondale downtown Varsity Center.
- Thursday, April 18, 2019: 9:00am - 10:00am, VCR candidate interview presentation, Morris Library Guyon Auditorium; 5:00pm - 6:00pm, Pizza with the CASA Dean and USG Senator, Quigley Hall Gallery.
- Friday, April 19, 2019: 8:30am - 11:00am, ABET CAC Webinar Zoom Conference; 10:00am - 11:00am, SIU Open House College Display, SIU Arena; 1:00pm - 2:00pm, Program Showcase and Visit.

AND FINALLY ...

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send an email to 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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