

## CASA Dean's MMU (Monday Morning Update)

Monday, December 19, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

This is the last newsletter in 2016, and the next MMU will be on January 17, 2017.

Many of you are busy grading student's final examinations and other course work, which is challenging and time consuming. We want to be sure we are evaluating student work fairly, in the sense that our judgment is not subjective or inconsistent. Official grade submission is done online using Self-Service Banner (SSB) after logging into [SalukiNet](#). Please try to submit final grades as soon as possible since students will want to know soon after completion what their grades are for those courses. Unless a course is still meeting beyond the official end of the term, the normal deadline for online grade submission is 8:00am on Wednesday, December 21, 2016. If grades are not entered by the deadline, your students will receive an "NR" (not recorded) placeholder grade, and you will then have to submit official grade change cards through the Dean's office to the Registrar office for each student to give them the proper grade.

The College Winter Potluck held last Monday went very well. Many thanks to Dean's office staff members for organizing it, and thanks to all for participating and sharing your delicious food. The pictures below were taken by Kevin Taylor, Webmaster of CASA, and Nadine Wojnarowski, Administrative Aid of School of Architecture.







Mr. **Kent Meckfessel** (middle of picture below), Assistant Instructor of Automotive Technology (AUT), receiving the AUT NTT Teacher of the Year Award:



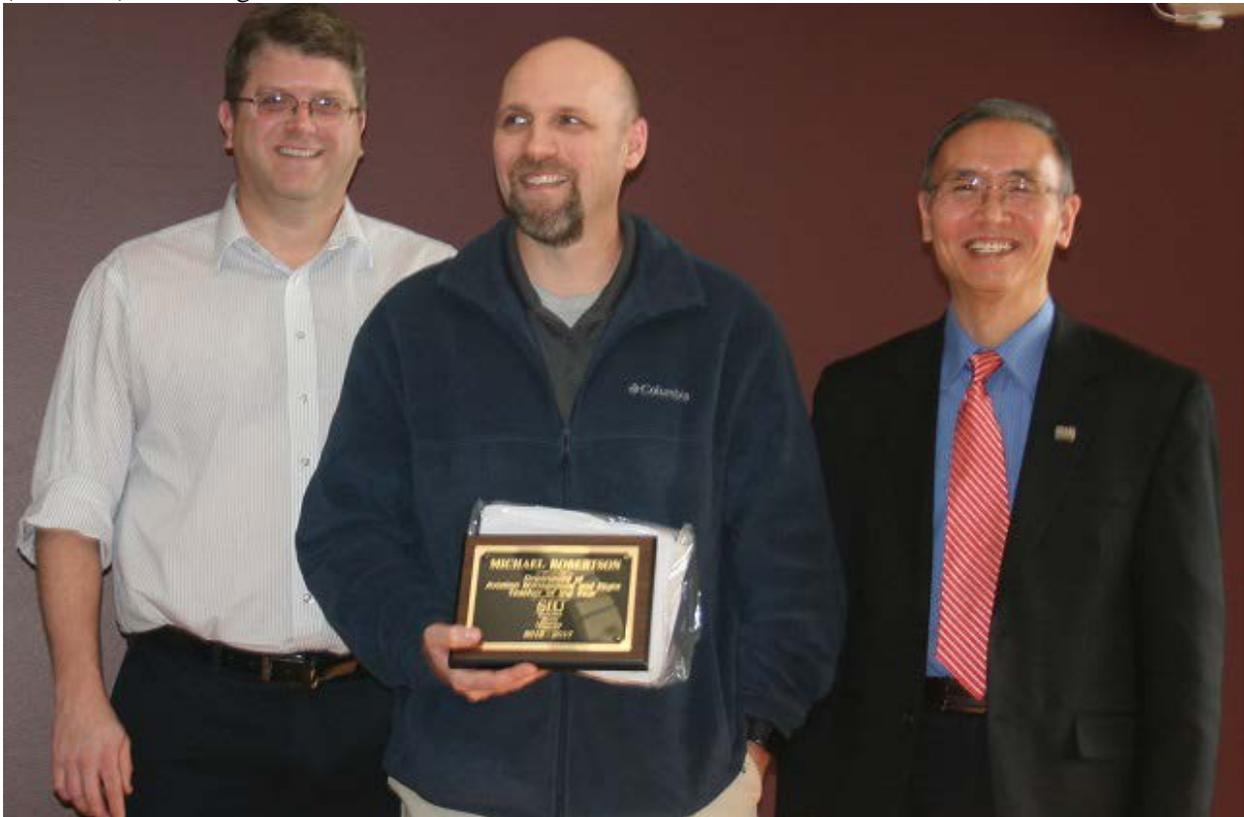
Mr. **Blaine Heisner** (middle of picture below), Assistant Professor of Automotive Technology (AUT), receiving the AUT Department T/TT Teacher of the Year Award:



Mr. **Kenny Bro** (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) and Mr. Andrew J. Weis (3<sup>rd</sup> from left), Assistant Instructors of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF), receiving AVMAF NTT Teacher of the Year Award:



Mr. **Michael Robertson** (middle below), Associate Professor of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF), receiving AVMAF T/TT Teacher of the Year Award:



Mr. **Brad Hagy** (middle below), Senior Lecturer of Information Systems Technologies (IST), receiving ISAT NTT Teacher of the Year Award:



Mr. **Tom Imboden**, Associate Professor of Information Systems Technologies (IST), receiving ISAT T/TT Teacher of the Year Award and CASA T/TT Teacher of the Year Award:



Ms. **Marcea Walter** (middle below), Assistant Professor of Health Care Management (HCM), receiving School of Allied Health (SAH) T/TT Teacher of the Year Award:

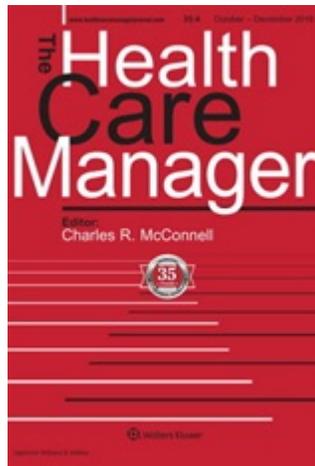


Dr. **Seung-Hee Lee** (middle below), Associate Professor of Fashion Design and Merchandising, receiving 2016 CASA Scholar of the Year Award:

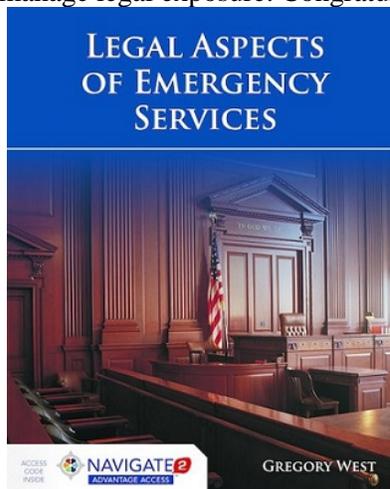


## CONGRATULATIONS

- **Savanah Hopkins**, Health Care Management (HCM) online undergraduate student, **Marcea Walter**, Assistant Professor of HCM, and **Sandy Collins**, Associate Professor and Program Director of HCM, have a paper titled: “LDM: Exploring the Effectiveness in Reducing Product Returns and Overnight Shipment Occurrences in a Materials Management Department” accepted for 2017 publication in the *Health Care Manager* journal. Congratulations!



- **Gregory West**, Instructor of Public Safety Management (PSM, formerly Fire Service Management) program, recently published a textbook titled “Legal Aspects of Emergency Services” with Jones & Bartlett, ISBN-13: 9781284068276. It introduces members of fire and emergency medical services to the legal system in the United States, showing them how various types of laws affect their work in emergency services. The textbook provides responders with some basic legal knowledge so that, when faced with a legal quandary, they may remember the core principles discussed throughout this book and recognize the need to seek qualified legal advice. The law affects everything responders do in their daily activity, especially when functioning as an agent of a fire or EMS department. Firefighters are calculated risk takers. They risk a lot to save a lot, and conversely risk nothing to save nothing, and they often find themselves operating within the gray area of those two extremes. Having an understanding of the law as it applies in different situations allows the prudent firefighter, EMT, supervisor, manager or officer to manage legal exposure. Congratulations!



- Last Saturday, December 17, 2016, SIU Carbondale celebrated its 140<sup>th</sup> commencement with approximately 1,200 undergraduate and graduate students attended. It is always exciting to celebrate new graduates embarking on the next phase of life, and it is incredibly affirming to see the graduates and their families and friends celebrating the outcome of their efforts. The College of Applied Sciences and Arts (CASA) graduated 215 students in the Summer and 250 in the Fall of 2016, with a total of 465 students listed in the December 17, 2016 140<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement program. Among these 465 graduates, 340 received bachelor's degrees, 80 received master's degrees, and 45 received associate degrees. CASA is not only graduating students in quantity, but also with impressive quality. During the 140th Annual Commencement covering Summer and Fall of 2016, more than 136 students wore special medallions and honor cords reflecting significant academic achievements earned. Among the 136 students earning recognition, 62 received *Cum Laude* distinction, signifying a cumulative GPA of 3.5 to 3.749; 28 received *Magna Cum Laude* distinction, signifying a cumulative GPA of 3.75 to 3.899, and 15 students received *Summa Cum Laude* distinction, carrying a cumulative GPA of 3.9 to 4.0. There were a few students in the University Honors Program who maintained an average GPA of 3.3 or better, and more than 30 students with multiple degrees. Congratulations! We wish them successful careers and bright futures!



Howard A. Peters III, a 1971 SIU Carbondale graduate and Honorary Degree Recipient, was the commencement speaker and he shared his insights to encourage and inspire our graduates to “be good and do good” for public good.

**John Dobbins, Michael Behrmann, and Scott Collins** were serving as faculty marshals, and **Adam Wolfe**, Automotive Technology (AUT) program graduate, was CASA’s Gonfalon Carrier.

Other faculty and staff members who also attended the commencement last Saturday, including: **Sam Chung, Bradley C. Hagy, John Legier, Belle Woodward, Nancy Martin, Sandra N. Beebe, David Gilbert, Gary Kistner, Elaine Atwood, Thomas Shaw, and Mary Nemetsky**. Our students’ accomplishments are remarkable. Commencement honors our collective commitment to learning and

building a sense of community within our College. Thank you so much for your participation and congratulations to all!



- The School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) had a holiday potluck on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 from 11:30am to 1:00pm in ASA-111. Student workers and staff members received gifts from faculty for their great work to help students and keep the school strong. It was a good year-end celebration with delicious food!



- An Academic Excellence Recognition Ceremony was held last Friday (December 16, 2016) in the Student Center Ballrooms. Twenty-seven (27) CASA graduating students received Latin Honors. The undergraduate student's degree honors designation is printed on transcripts and on diplomas, and is determined by the cumulative GPA calculated by Southern Illinois University from all undergraduate career work including work transferred from other institutions. Latin honors are phrases used to indicate the level of academic distinction with which an academic degree was earned. These twenty-seven students received their Latin Honors medallions for commencement on Saturday, December 17, 2016. There are three types of Latin honors. In order of increasing level of honor, they are:

**Cum Laude (with honor) GPA 3.500 - 3.749:**

- Ryan Boner, Technical Resource Management (TRM)
- Nathan Andrew Boyce
- Paul Nonso Edmund Egbo, Aviation Management (AVM)
- Mikel Frazier, Health Care Management (HCM)
- Nayeli Garcia Garcia, Automotive Technology (AUT)
- Nauman Hassan, Automotive Technology (AUT)
- Walter Norman Huff, Automotive Technology (AUT)
- Heather L. Koch, Information Systems Technologies (IST)
- Alexander J. Scholl, Aviation Management (AVM)
- Andrew C. Thomas, Aviation Management (AVM)

- Jodi Lynn Tuthill, Health Care Management (HCM)
- Michelle J. Wilkins, Technical Resource Management (TRM)
- Rebecca M. Williams, Dental Hygiene (DH)
- David Tyler Winkleman, Information Systems Technologies (IST)

**Magna cum Laude (with great honor) GPA 3.750 - 3.899:**

- Franchesca Alejo, University Honors Program, Aviation Management (AVM)
- James Thomas Anderson, Electronic System Technology (EST)
- Derwing G. Astacio, Automotive Technology (AUT)
- William F. Barrett, Aviation Management (AVM)
- Adam S. Carlson, Aviation Management (AVM)
- Derek N. Cox, Electronic System Technology (EST)
- Ignacio Gonzales Jr., Health Care Management (HCM)
- Rojean Chantel Heimstreet, Aviation Management (AVM)
- Austin Eugene Meyer, Technical Resource Management (TRM)
- Davin L. Miles
- John R. Passehl, Aviation Management (AVM)

**Summa cum Laude (with highest honor) GPA 3.900 - 4.00:**

- George H. Nimmer, Aviation Management (AVM), CASA Gonfalon carrier.
- Adam J. Wolfe, Automotive Technology (AUT)

Please join me in congratulating these students for their academic excellence. We are proud of our students' accomplishments. Congratulations!

- **Steven Prevette**, Adjunct Faculty of Electronic System Technologies (EST), was featured in *Voyageur*, Volume 11, Issue 11, 2016 Nov/Dec issue, a publication of the Corporate Communications Department of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL). Steve is a practitioner of Performance Measurement and a statistician for Fluor Corporation at the US DOE Savannah River Site supporting three other Fluor nuclear sites. Steve supports performance indicators in a broad spectrum of subjects, including contractor assurance, safety, security, environment, operations, maintenance, and quality. Steve and his team provide customers with more than 4,700 charts and files per month. Congratulations!



## **AD STAFF MEETING**

The Administrative (AD) Staff will meet on Wednesday, December 21, 2016, 9:00am - 11:30am in the Dean's Conference Room. The tentative agenda of the meeting is below:

1. Welcome, Open Forum, and Dean's Update
2. Community College Connection (C3) Initiative
3. Program Prioritization and Summer Course Offering Model
4. Round Table Discussion
5. Critical Deadlines and Other Business

If you have any specific items that you feel the Administrative Staff should consider at the meeting, please send me your suggestions before 1:00pm Tuesday, 12/20/2016. All faculty and staff are invited to the open forum section of the Administrative Staff meeting from 9:00am - 9:30am.

## **MMU WINTER BREAK**

Another calendar year is approaching its end and the holidays are upon us. The MMU newsletter will take a break during winter holiday. MMU will resume on **January 17, 2017**. I wish everyone a safe and peaceful holiday season!

## **ON THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

- Monday, December 19, 2016: CASA 2017 Summer Research Support announcement.
- Tuesday, December 20, 2016: 10:30am - 12:30pm, Deans' Council Informal Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room.
- Wednesday, December 21, 2016: 10:00am - 12:00pm, CASA Ad Staff Meeting, Dean's Conference Room; 11:15am, Public Lecture of Ban Ki-Moon, UN Secretary-General, SC Ballrooms; 12:00pm - 1:30pm, Corporate and Foundation Meeting, Kaplan Hall Conference Room.
- Thursday, December 22, 2016: 8:00am - 12:30pm, Deans Council Retreat Meeting on Summer School and Program Prioritization, Part II, Saluki Stadium Club.
- Friday, December 23, 2016: Please turn off lights and turn down thermostat before leaving for holiday.

## **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](mailto: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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