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

# A Tradition of Excellence; A Standard of Success

Monday, January 15, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

You are cordially invited to attend the 2018 Spring Semester College Kickoff Meeting this Friday, January 19, 2018, 11:30am - 1:00pm in the Transportation Education Center Multipurpose Room. The main purpose of this meeting is to provide updates on major teaching, research, and service programs in the College, schools, and departments, introducing new faculty and staff, and discussing issues related to the College community. Lunch will be provided starting promptly 11:30am. I look forward to seeing you at the College meeting. Thank you.

### 2018 RESEARCH FLASH TALK

With support from the Dean's office, the CASA Research Committee is hosting a College-wide event to promote the ongoing research and collaboration of the CASA faculty. The CASA Faculty Research Flash Talks with the Community will be held on the evening of **Wednesday**, **March 21**, **2018**, starting at 5:30 PM (refreshments) at the Varsity Theater, 418 S. Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, IL. Flash talk presentations will begin at 6 PM.

All CASA faculty and staff are encouraged to participate. This year, we would like to invite all faculty members from programs that will be merging with any of our CASA programs to participate and share their research activity. This will be an excellent opportunity for faculty networking and creating a foundation for future cross-disciplinary research collaboration.

Each faculty member interested in participating will be given 3-5 minutes to briefly introduce their current, concluding, or proposed research to an audience consisting of interested faculty, staff and invited community members from both the University and regional area. Our hope is to have at least two to three presentations from each of CASA's departments/schools and invited merging programs. In addition, faculty posters (tabletop trifold only) and textbooks are also invited for display.

If you are interested in presenting your research, *please submit a short abstract*, *not to exceed 200 words*, *briefly describing the research you will present*. These will not be peer reviewed. However, we are planning to post all accepted abstracts on the OpenSIUC online repository. The submission is simply to gauge interest and to use in the creation of a small booklet for the event. Considering a broader audience, you might want to answer three questions when you are preparing your abstract: What is it? Why is it of interest? How can the community be further involved?

The goal is for this event to serve as a catalyst for collaboration both among the faculty in the newly created schools.

Abstract proposals are due to Mary Nemetsky (mnemet@siu.edu) no later than 5:00pm on Thursday, March 1, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Nemetsky (email above) or call 453-8840.

Thank you.

**CASA Research Committee** 

## VTI-CASA ALUMNI REUNION

We are planning a VTI-CASA Alumni Reunion on Saturday, April 14, 2018, 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Garden Grove Event Center in Carbondale. The goal of this event is to celebrate our rich history as a Vocational Technical Institute (VTI), School of Technical Careers (STC), College of Technical Careers (CTC), and College of Applied Sciences and Arts (CASA) over the past 68 years, keep engaging our alumni and friends in campus life, and seek their continuous support for our academic programs moving to their new college homes through the ongoing academic reorganization process led by our new Chancellor. April 14 is SIU Honors Day, and we will complete the Honors Day event by 4-4:30pm, so we can start a social hour at 5pm for the alumni reunion, and program starts at 6pm.

Alumni are our vital stakeholders and we appreciate their continuous support. We are looking for volunteers to form a preparation and organization committee for this important event. Please let me know if you have suggestions or comments.

### CONGRATULATIONS

- Dr. Sandy Collins, Professor and Program Director of the Health Care Management (HCM) program, Dr. Tom Shaw, Associate Professor of HCM, Jessica Cataldo, Clinical Instructor of HCM, and Richard McKinnies, Associate Professor of Radiologic Science have a co-authored paper accepted for the 2018 Summer AUPHA conference:
  - Collins S, Shaw T, Cataldo J, McKinnies R. (2018) *Transforming Health Care Management Education Through the Use of Inter-Professional Education in the Classroom.* Presentation at the Annual Conference of the Association for University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA), June 13-15, 2018, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Congratulations!

- Dr. **Seung-Hee Lee**, Professor of Fashion Design & Merchandising, has been selected to serve on the *SIU Scholar Excellence Award Selection Committee*. Congratulations!
- Students interested in attending SIU Automotive are featured in Homewood-Flossmoor Chronicle newspaper. Homewood and Flossmoor (HF) are south Cook County, IL towns located near Hammond, IN. **Mike Behrmann**, Associate Dean and Department Chair of Automotive

Technology, typically travels to present to their automotive classes every other year about opportunities in the automotive industry. We also have our current SIU Automotive students that have graduated from HF go back and to help other HF students apply to SIU, learn what they need to do to be successful at SIU, and what they can do at HF to increase their experience level. More information is available at:

http://www.hfchronicle.com/article/2018/jan/09/future-turns-technology-h-f-prepares-students-skilled-workforce.



• The annual SIU Alumni Association's Textbook Awards Ceremony will occur on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. The Association's national board set aside money in 2008 to assist with the recruitment and retentions of SIU students. The student must complete the application through the University's scholarship program, earn at least a 3.0 GPA, complete an essay of 200 words or less describing how SIU has impacted them, and have a FASFA on file. With more than 230 applicants this year, we are awarding 36 students with up to \$500 in textbooks and supplies to support their educational goals.

In College of Applied Sciences and Arts, the following seven (7) students have been selected to receive the Textbook Awards:

- 1. Paige Beuligmann, Radiologic Sciences (RADS);
- 2. Hunter Bryant, Aviation Flight (AF);
- 3. McClay Lewis, Dental Hygiene (DH);
- 4. Mackenzie Maxedon, Radiologic Sciences (RADS);
- 5. Megan McCarthy, Dental Hygiene (DH);
- 6. Emma Neumeyer, Radiologic Sciences (RADS); and

### 7. Markie Reichman, Radiologic Sciences (RADS).

Congratulations! Please give kudos to these students if you have them in your class. I would like also to share some of their essay excerpts here. As you can see, the essays truly demonstrated the impact SIU faculty and staff have had on them.

Paige Beuligmann (RADS): Southern Illinois University came to me in a time of need. I was a student at Murray State University studying Pre-veterinary Medicine. I had recently decided that pursuing a veterinary career was not my dream, as I thought it was. Over the summer, I started to look for alternatives. I looked at SIU's medical programs and discovered radiologic sciences. After a meeting with the advisor, I knew that this was the program for me. The advisor was very encouraging and informative. He encouraged me to apply to the school and the program. I was admitted that summer. Since then, I have been able to study a subject I love. SIU has presented me with incredible opportunities through this program. The professors are amazing and seem to really care about their students. I have completed clinical hours at hospitals that allow me to get my foot in the door for the future. SIU has set me up for success for the future, and I will forever be grateful. I will never forget how welcoming SIU was to me when I had lost my way.

Hunter Bryant (AF): "Man must rise above the Earth, to the top of the atmosphere and beyond, for only thus will he fully understand the world in which he lives." (Socrates). Being 38,000 feet above the Earth's surface is crazy enough to deter some people from riding in an airplane. It would seem even crazier to those same people that someone would want to fly a 475-ton Boeing 747. I am not one of those people. For as long as I can remember, I have wanted to be a pilot. I remember every airshow I attended as a child and my first flight to my aunt's house in Seattle. Flying has been a lifelong dream of mine; I am 100% dedicated to achieving my degrees in Aviation Flight and Aviation Management. The cost of obtaining an Aviation Flight and an Aviation Management degree will be double the cost of basic tuition alone. The cost of flying and maintaining the aircraft is expensive; these costs are transferred to the aviation students. This scholarship will help offset these significant costs and allow me to start my career in Aviation with less of a financial burden after graduation.

McClay Lewis (DH): I am currently a sophomore at SIU in the Dental Hygiene Program. I can't even begin to explain how this program has already changed my life for the better. My hardworking and dedicated professors have changed my complete view of Southern Illinois University Carbondale. College can be a scary place, especially when going into a difficult program like the one I am in. However, I look forward to going to school every day! I never found joy in waking up every morning and going to school until I came to SIU. The difference between who I was a couple of years ago and who I am today is my motivation. The SIU Dental Hygiene Program has motivated me to succeed and to be the best dental hygienist that I can possibly be. Without SIU I would not be where I am today. In just my short time being here, my total view of college and myself have changed. I look forward to the rest of my time here at SIU and the dental hygiene program. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity to learn!

Mackenzie Maxedon (RADS): I am a current freshman at Southern Illinois University. There are many reasons why SIU has changed my life. First, SIU has given me the opportunity to follow my dream and go into Radiation Therapy. Not many schools have a program that Southern Illinois University has, and I am beyond thankful that this school and program are now a part of my life. Second, I have found a really close group of friends and classmates here at SIU. My roommate and I are very close and so are our families. Lastly, SIU has taught me how to be the best Saluki I can be. If that means staying up at the library to finish a paper or staying in office hours to talk to your Professor. It has taught me to step out of my box and go to sporting events and enjoy being myself. I am grateful Southern Illinois University has changed my life for the better in so many ways.

Megan McCarthy (DH): When people ask me about Southern Illinois University, I tell them that it means more to me than life itself. It might sound dramatic, but to me it is my entire life and it always has been. Growing up, I did every class project on SIU and Southern Illinois related topics. When my teachers would ask me what I wanted to be when I got older, I would tell them, "I want to be a Saluki, like my parents". My parents' house, to this day, is still full of my middle school and high school art projects of Campus Lake and the history of the Saluki Dog! I have always known that Carbondale is where I was meant to be. Having family from Carbondale (my mother and my grandparents}, I have always been surrounded by Saluki maroon, and I pride myself on all the things that SIU has brought to me so far. I am an active member in Delta Zeta Sorority, the Women's Club soccer team, and many community and campus volunteer programs. Carbondale is my home.

Emma Neumeyer (RADS): I have always been told how impactful college is, but I never fully understood that until I attended Southern Illinois University. Growing up in a small town I never had the opportunities that I now do at SIU. I have meet so many amazing people who have helped me see myself in a different way than I did in high school. My whole life I have known the same people, and meeting people with different backgrounds and cultures than myself has impacted me greatly. I never realized how big the world was when I lived in my home town. The small town where I came from had no diversity. In just one semester I have come to appreciate how people from different backgrounds make the world more interesting. I have decided to major in film, because I realize the potential of film in bringing the world together. I want to be able to use film to show people, who don't have to opportunity to leave their small towns, just how big the world is.

Markie Reichman (RADS): Moving over 4,000 miles from what some might call paradise, Hawaii, to attend Southern Illinois University in Carbondale has been a thrilling experience. The challenging-yet-comprehensive Diagnostic Medical Sonography program at SIU has proven to be an excellent foundation for equipping students with the necessary knowledge and skills to go on and be proficient in their occupation. Despite initially being rejected by another DMS program, SIU has given me the opportunity to continue to pursue my passion for the medical field. Having resources readily available helps equip me with the tools needed to fulfill my goals. In addition,

attending an accredited program allows me to graduate with reassurance knowing that employers will recognize SIU's dependable reputation. SIU has impacted my life by allowing me to pursue my goal of becoming a well sought out sonographer with a Bachelor's of Science degree. That being said, the DMS program prepares students for life beyond college and therefore will have the greatest impact on my life in the years to come, for which I am grateful.

• The 20th Annual MSFS Embalming Colloquium was held December 8th at the Transportation Education Center (TEC). The event started at 7:30 am with a three-judge-panel evaluating the posters portion of the event. Each student presented a 15-minute Powerpoint presentation on a particularly difficult embalming topic. Nineteen (19) students presented and awards were given out to the winner and runner up. This year's winner was **Kiylee Hoffmann**, and with a tie for second place was **Demetra Lisigakis** and **Emily Marks**. The event was co-sponsored by the SIU Mortuary Science and Funeral Service (MSFS) Program and the Egyptian Funeral Directors Association. The event was well attended, with an estimated 150 people at the event including students, family and friends and funeral directors/embalmers.



Kiylee-1st place, Demetra-2nd place, Emily 3rd place



Webb Sullivan, EFDA rep, Kiylee, Demtra, Emily, Abel Salazar, Colloquium organizer



Group photo of presenters



Abel with Kiylee the winner



Mid-America Transplant representatives attended the Colloquium

• Please join me in congratulating the School of Architecture (SOA) Public Safety Management (PSM) program for its articulation agreements with City College of Chicago, Chicago, IL. The

agreement has been signed by SIU administration and City College of Chicago leaders. According to the agreement, all graduates of City College of Chicago with an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in any of the following three programs: Fire Science Management, Fire Service Operations, or EMT II: Paramedic, and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Public Safety Management (PSM) in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations to **John Dobbins, Gary Kistner** and all PSM faculty/staff!

#### NATION-WIDE ENROLLMENT TREND

Nationally colleges and universities are attracting fewer first-year students, even in the traditional college-bound cohort of 18- to 24-year-olds. The national figure fell for the sixth successive year. As a matter of fact, nationally college enrollment has been dropping since the end of the Great Recession (2017-2012). According to the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, The new student enrollments declined compared to Fall 2016 by 63,000, including more than 38,000 fewer students over the age of 24 and nearly 25,000 fewer students in the 18 to 24 age group.

Overall undergraduate enrollments fell by nearly 224,000 students in Fall 2017. Enrollment in graduate and professional programs increased by over 24,000, but these gains were outweighed by the decrease in undergraduate enrollments.

College enrollments increased in only 12 states and the District of Columbia, including Texas, Arizona, Utah, and California. Seven of the 10 states seeing the largest enrollment declines, and Illinois is one of them. The top 10 states with the largest decreases in enrollment are:

| State    | Enrollment | State     | Enrollment |
|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| New York | -28,345    | Minnesota | -12,650    |
| Michigan | -20,098    | Indiana   | -10,124    |
| Illinois | -18,198    | Ohio      | -6,979     |
| Virginia | -14,791    | Wisconsin | -6,634     |
| Missouri | -14,005    | Arkansas  | -5,872     |

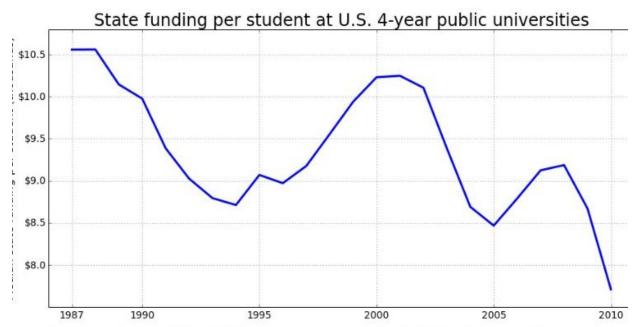
The top 5 states with the largest increases in enrollment are:

| State      | Enrollment |
|------------|------------|
| Texas      | +34,447    |
| Arizona    | +15,138    |
| Utah       | +12,703    |
| California | +10,925    |

| Georgia | +3,969 |
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[Source: National Student Clearinghouse, <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yarbrfqi">https://tinyurl.com/yarbrfqi</a>]

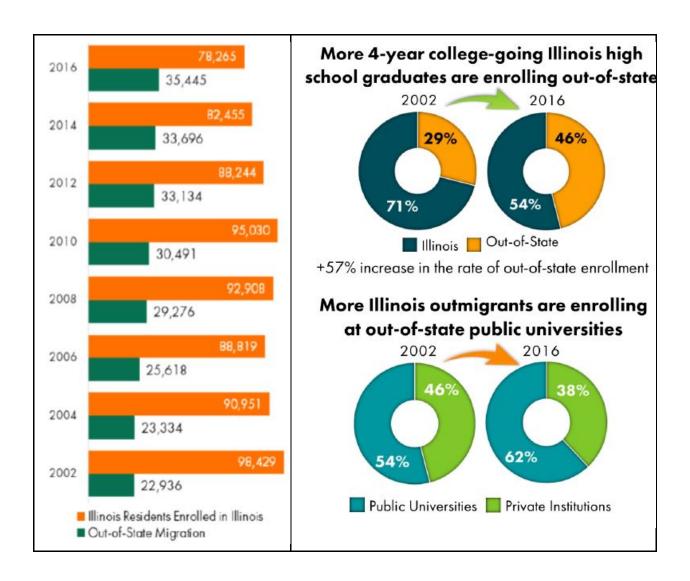
# STATE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES



Note: Dollar amounts adjusted for inflation to 2014 dollars | Data source: nces.ed.gov/ipeds/deltacostproject | Author: Randy Olson (randalolson.com / @randal\_olson

# **ILLINOIS HIGHER ED FACTS**

The number of Illinois residents enrolled as college freshmen in an outside Illinois university is at all time high. Ninety-seven percent (97%) of Illinois high school graduates enrolled at a two-year college attended an Illinois community college, and 3% attended an out-of-state two-year college.



### ON THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

- Monday, January 15, 2018: Martin R King's BD Holiday.
- Tuesday, January 16, 2018: 2018 Spring First Day of Classes; 10:00am 12:00pm, Deans' Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room; 5:00pm 7:00pm, Alumni Association Textbook Awards Ceremony, Student Center Ballroom D.
- Wednesday, January 17, 2018: 9:00am 11:30am, CASA Ad Staff Meeting, Dean's Conference Room.
- Thursday, January 18, 2018: 12:00pm 1:00pm, Green Fund Workshop, Morris Library 480A; 5:00pm 7:00pm, RSO and Volunteerism Fair, Student Center Corker Lounge.
- Friday, January 19, 2018: 11:30am 1:00pm, CASA Spring Kick-Off Meeting, Transportation Education Center Multipurpose Room.

# **AND FINALLY ...**

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send an email to <a href="mailto:awang@siu.edu">awang@siu.edu</a>; 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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