Southern Illinois University

Southern Illinois University (SIU) is a multi-campus university composed of two institutions — Southern Illinois University Carbondale and Southern Illinois University Edwardsville — serving more than 32,000 students. SIU was chartered in 1869 as Southern Illinois Normal University, a teachers college. In 1947, the name was changed to Southern Illinois University, to reflect the institution’s academic expansion. The university began offering off-campus academic courses in the metropolitan East St. Louis area, which led to development of a separate institution in nearby Edwardsville.

As SIU has grown and flourished, its campuses have developed programs of instruction, research and public service that have attracted and served students, faculty and staff from every county in Illinois, every state in the nation and more than 100 countries. In addition to more than 200 undergraduate degree programs, SIUC and SIUE offer more than 110 academic programs leading to master’s degrees and 38 leading to doctorate degrees. Professional degrees also are available through SIUE’s Schools of Nursing and Pharmacy in Edwardsville and School of Dental Medicine in Alton, and SIUC’s School of Law in Carbondale and School of Medicine in Springfield.

The instruction, research and service missions of the two campuses meet the needs of the geographic areas in which they are located, but SIU also is committed to serving statewide, national and international needs. This commitment is reflected in educational activities located off its main campuses, in interinstitutional agreements for research, and in training exchanges with foreign universities and worldwide student exchange programs.

Southern Illinois University is governed by a nine-member Board of Trustees. Administratively, the university is headed by the president, who reports to the Board of Trustees. The chancellors of SIUC and SIUE report to the president.

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Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC) prepares undergraduate, graduate and professional students to contribute to Illinois, the nation and global society. Nearly 16,000 students from all 50 states and 120 nations take advantage of a comprehensive educational experience enriched by a full range of student services and numerous internship, externship and research opportunities offered by SIUC.

The university’s nine colleges and two professional schools offer more than 200 majors, minors and specializations, three associate degrees, as well as graduate and professional education featuring 78 master’s degree and 34 doctoral, medical and law degree programs. Since 1876, the university has awarded nearly 300,000 degrees and has more than 245,000 living alumni throughout the world.

SIUC offers students a vibrant campus life that includes more than 300 registered student organizations, multiple performance venues, a Student Center, a Student Recreation Center and a new student services building. The university is a member of the Missouri Valley Athletic Conference, and its student-athletes compete in eight men’s and eight women’s sports.

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching ranks SIUC among the top 5 percent of all universities for research. Grants and contracts in fiscal year 2016 totaled more than $76 million. In addition, in 2015 SIUC earned the Carnegie Foundation’s prestigious Community Engagement Classification in recognition of the university’s service and outreach efforts. That same year, SIUC was named an Innovation and Economic Prosperity University by the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities for its work with public and private partners to support economic development. Both designations are valid for 10 years.

The many specialized research centers include: the Advanced Energy Institute; Center for Archaeological Investigations; Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders; Center for Fisheries, Aquaculture & Aquatic Sciences; Cooperative Wildlife Research Center; Illinois Soybean Center; Paul Simon Public Policy Institute; and Center for Alzheimer’s Disease & Related Disorders and Simmons Cancer Institute at the School of Medicine in Springfield.

Faculty, staff and students address topics ranging from improving brake linings to plastics recycling; endangered species monitoring to wetlands restoration; pharmaceuticals testing to computer neural network development for medical diagnostic devices; nicotine addiction to AIDS education; and biomechanical studies to studies of banking efficiency and regulation. University scientists are leaders in the study of noise-induced hearing loss, ovarian cancer, climate change, airport runway safety, Asian carp in the Great Lakes and flood mitigation among other issues.

Many years of cooperative relations have resulted in more than 150 international linkages with educational institutions in 57 countries. American students from SIUC enroll in summer travel/study seminars or direct exchanges in countries such as Australia, Austria, Germany, Great Britain, France and Switzerland.

The Southern Illinois University School of Law has a dedicated faculty and a low student-to-faculty ratio. Graduating classes have consistently exceeded the average pass rate for the Illinois State Bar exam. The school provides nationally recognized experiential learning programs that include public interest externships, the Illinois Innocence Project, judicial
externships, semester-in-practice programs and the immigration detention project. Services to citizens of southern Illinois are available through the School of Law’s civil practice/elderly, juvenile justice and domestic violence clinics.

The SIU School of Medicine was established in 1970. Currently, 285 students, primarily from Illinois, are enrolled and 2,139 graduates are in practice. The school ranks nationally in the percentage of its graduates practicing in primary care specialties.

SIU medical students take a year of basic science courses at the Carbondale campus, then transfer to Springfield for the last three years of clinical study. The curriculum includes many active learning situations using written cases and simulated patients. An extensive residency program annually fills residency positions in a variety of medical concentrations and specialties. Family practice centers for training students and residents are located in Carbondale, Decatur, Quincy and Springfield.

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A view of the central quad area of the SIU Carbondale campus.
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) is a nationally recognized university that educates and develops professional and community leaders through its excellent faculty and academic programs. SIUE is a fully accredited public institution offering a broad choice of degrees and programs ranging from liberal arts to professional studies. Since 1957, the university has conferred more than 100,000 degrees and contributed to the cultural and intellectual vitality, social health and economic development of southwestern Illinois and the greater St. Louis region.

SIUE is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association. Its schools and programs have received specialized accreditation from a wide range of national associations. These accreditations, small class sizes, accessible faculty, and the successes of the students and graduates are evidence of the quality of education available at SIUE. The university is recognized as one of the most affordable four-year public universities in Illinois and one of the best values in the Midwest. To further enhance affordability, the university awarded more than $148 million in scholarships and financial aid last year.

The university encourages diversity on campus through a number of initiatives devoted to cultural and social sensitivity and understanding, as well as academic support services for underrepresented minorities. SIUE awards degrees in 103 bachelor’s and 78 master’s programs encompassing the arts, sciences, nursing, education, health, human behavior, business and engineering. The Schools of Dental Medicine and Pharmacy award professional degrees in dental medicine (D.M.D.) and pharmacy (Pharm.D.). Doctoral degrees are available in nursing practice and educational leadership. Cooperative Ph.D. programs in history, engineering science and computer engineering are offered with SIU Carbondale.

Situated on 2,660 acres among the forests and hills of Southern Illinois, SIUE enjoys proximity to the attractions of St. Louis, just 25 miles away. SIUE has been named to the American Institute of Architects’ “150 Illinois Great Places,” a list of the greatest architectural sites in the state.

SIUE serves more than 3,100 students housed on campus and a vast number of commuter students. The university is enjoying a booming enrollment, which has grown to more than 14,000 students. SIUE has completed more than $300 million in construction and infrastructure improvements, adding innovative state-of-the-art buildings and enhancing existing structures. These projects include the Science Building Complex, Art and Design Building expansion, Lukas Athletics Annex and Engineering Building expansion.

The current core campus opened in 1965, however the university traces its roots to the nearby cities of Alton and East St. Louis, where the Southwestern Illinois Campus of Southern Illinois University first offered classes in residential centers. The Alton campus later became the SIU School of Dental Medicine. The school is rated among top dental schools in the nation in final scoring on national board dental exams. Few facilities in the country provide the type of specialized and innovative dental instruction and patient care available at the school.

Once main operations were moved to the Edwardsville campus during the 1960s, the East St. Louis Center continued to offer educational opportunities to residents of the area. Operating within the East St. Louis Higher Education Campus, SIUE’s East St. Louis Center elevates the quality of life for individuals and families through partnerships that mobilize
resources to meet the needs of East St. Louis and Metro East-area communities. East St. Louis Center services include a nationally recognized Head Start/Early Head Start program, a charter high school, after-school educational programs, a dental care facility and a nurse-managed primary care clinic.

SIUE participates in NCAA Division I athletics as a member of the Ohio Valley Conference, the Missouri Valley Conference in men’s soccer and the Southern Conference in wrestling.

During its first half-century, SIUE has matured into a strong and distinctive source of educational opportunity, with a focus on research and creative activity and continues to serve as a stimulus for regional growth and development.

**Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Administration**

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The Southern Illinois University Edwardsville campus is situated among the hills and forests of southwestern Illinois, just 25 miles from St. Louis.