Dear Colleagues,

On Friday, April 8, 2016, the College of Applied Sciences and Arts Board of Counselors held a Spring meeting in the SIU Transportation Education Center (TEC). Ms. Paula Staab Polk was recognized as the 2015-2016 College of Applied Sciences and Arts Distinguished Alumni Award recipient, and Mr. Richard McKinnies was recognized as the 2016 E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award recipient, before the Board meeting.
2016 HONORS DAY

Honors Day at SIUC commemorates the accomplishments of the University’s highest achieving students, those who have maintained a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale for both their total undergraduate studies at SIU Carbondale and their transfer credits. In our College, a total of 510 students met the minimum requirements: 57 Freshmen; 66 Sophomores; 120 Juniors, and 267 Seniors. Among these 510 students, 247 students maintain a GPA 3.75 or above, 105 students maintain a GPA 3.90 or above. Given the rigorous demands of our academic programs, these students are really outstanding.

This year’s Honors Day ceremonies were held on Saturday, April 9, 2016. The University event started at 2:00pm in the SIU Student Center Ballrooms with remarks by Chancellor Colwell and Dr. Christina Linda Lyons, which was followed by the College ceremony at 3:30pm in the TEC. More than 100 students were recognized by Chairs, Directors, faculty, staff, families and friends. Mr. Neil Black, Professor of Automotive Technology, was the Master of Ceremonies. The ceremony honored student achievement as well as the role faculty, staff, and alumni play in student success. Ms. Camelle Logan, President & CEO of TeamingSolution for Education and the President of the CASA Board of Counselors, introduced the 2015-16 CASA Distinguished Alumni Award recipient, Ms. Paula Staab Polk. Professor Jennifer Sherry, the 2015 E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award recipient introduced Richard McKinnies, the 2016 E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award recipient. Both Ms. Staab Polk and Professor McKinnies delivered a touching and inspiring speech to the students who were honored on Saturday. All Honors Day photos below were provided by Dr. Becky Robinson.

The CASA Honors Day Committee has done an outstanding job in planning and organizing this year’s Honors Day event. Thanks to Mr. Carroll Walker, the ceremony was broadcast live to all our 15 off-campus program sites throughout the nation via Adobe Connect. I would like to extend my appreciation to the Honors Day Committee, staff members, and all of the volunteers who helped organize and facilitate this event. Thank you all!
CONGRATULATIONS

- **SIU STUDENT WEB DEVELOPMENT TEAM AT THE AITP NATIONAL COLLEGIATE CONFERENCE**

The SIU Student Web Development team attended the Association for Information Technology Professionals (AITP) National Collegiate Conference and Career Fair in Rosemont, IL from April 7-10. The team is composed of five students (Peter Schorsch, Lee Cooper, Cody Lingle, Ren Jing, and Ziyad Alotaibi) who are currently enrolled in the Information Systems Technologies (IST) program at SIUC. Dr. Andrey Soares is the faculty advisor.


- Lee and Peter competing in the Database Design contest. There was a record of registration for this contest with 69 teams.

- Mr. **Cody A. Lingle**, Senior in Information Systems Technologies (IST) and President of the Security Dawgs, finished in first place in the Security Competition hosted by AITP during its National Collegiate Conference April 7-10, 2016, in Chicago. The Security Qualifications Exam had 86 participants. The top 10 students advanced to the Security Finals. Congratulations!
1st Place
is awarded to
Cody Lingie

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Julian Wade
2016 AITP
Association President

Paul Simms
2016 Conference Co-Chair
AITP Chicago

Bill Wans
2016 Conference Co-Chair
AITP Chicago

Kevin Jones
AITP NCC Director
Texas A&M University
The team presented a poster with results of their Web Application project (available at http://mwpolosociety.com). The application will support the activities of the Midwest Water Polo Society (MWWPS). The application will provide a way for teams to communicate and schedule competitions.

Peter presenting the Agile/Scrum methodology used for software development

Ren showing the website on a tablet. The web application was designed with Responsive Design to allow the application to run on desktop computers, tablets and smartphones.
• Conference Closing Awards Banquet

○ End of the AITP Conference:
Next year the AITP National Collegiate Conference will be held in Saint Louis, MO at the hotel Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch. Dr. Andrey Soares is planning to reopen the SIU AITP Student Chapter. This way we can become a chapter host for the event.

Congratulations!


- Dr. Cristian Lieneck, Assistant Professor of Health Administration at Texas State University, Dr. Sandra Collins, Program Director and Associate Professor of Health Care Management (HCM), Richard McKinnies, Associate Professor of Radiologic Sciences, and Sandra Watts, Assistant Professor of Radiologic Sciences, have a manuscript titled “Hospital CEO Perspectives on Healthcare Administration Academic Preparations” accepted for publication in the Health Care Manager journal. Congratulations!
• **Shannon McDonald**, Assistant Professor of Architecture, has a paper titled “Airflow Design for Middle Class Housing in Sierra Leone” accepted for presentation at PLEA 2016, July 11-13, Los Angeles, CA. Congratulations!

• The 2016 ASA Multidisciplinary Research Symposium now has four sponsors: Dr. Tom Hovatter, Project Coordinator of Illinois Nurse Assistant/Aid Training, has agreed to donate $2,000 to be a Diamond Sponsor; TAC Air will be a Silver Sponsor; Eggemeyer Associates Architects and the SIU Graduate School will again be our Bronze Sponsors. Many thanks to these sponsors for their support of the Research Symposium. Congratulations to the Research Committee for their steady progress toward a successful Symposium this year!

• **Dr. Qian (Jenny) Huang**, Assistant Professor of Architecture, completed the OSHA (Occupational Safety & Health Administration) Safety Training on April 1st, 2016, and became an OSHA authorized trainer at SIU. Now, any SIU student who successfully completes our *ARC 410 Building Construction Management: Construction Safety Management*, will be issued an “OSHA 30-hour safety certificate” by OSHA. This means our students will gain both course credits and OSHA 30-hour safety certificate at the same time, without paying several hundred dollars to attend this OSHA training. The OSHA certificate is required in many job posts, such as project manager, superintendent, safety manager, project engineer, and other related job titles. Congratulations!

• The SIU Women’s Club presented **Kristin N. Boelter** with the 2016 Dorothy Morris Traditional Student Scholarship last week at the Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon. Kristin is a junior majoring in Interior Design (ID) and minoring in Environmental Studies. The scholarship is in the amount of $2,000. Recipient selection was based on academic achievement, career goals and aspirations, leadership, references, and financial need. Congratulations!

• Ms. **Anna Metzger**, Aviation Management Senior, was nominated for the 2016 Student Employee of the Year Award by **Marsha Morgenstern** for her work at the Department of Aviation Management and Flight. Congratulations!
• Mr. Elijah Fennell, Automotive Technology Sophomore, was nominated for the 2016 Student Employee of the Year Award by Barbara Tuthill for his work at the School of Medicine Administration Core. Congratulations!

• Dr. Seung-Hee Lee, Associate Professor of Fashion Design & Merchandising, is the faculty advisor for the following two students, who received awards last Monday:
  o Sydney Bias, 2016-2017 REACH Award recipient for Creative Activity and Research Projects; and
  o Aimee LePla, 1st Place in the Art/Art Design category at Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Forum (UCARF).
  Congratulations!

• Sam Hennig, junior Dental Hygiene student, is an SIUC Undergraduate Research Rookie and presented at the 2016 Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Forum on Monday April 4th. Below is a photo of Sam Hennig in front of her poster. The title of her research project is "Dental Implications of the Affordable Care Act." Dr. Charla J. Lautar, Professor of Dental Hygiene, is her faculty advisor and mentor. Congratulations!

FASHION SHOW

On Thursday, April 21, 2016, the Fashion Design & Merchandising Program will present their annual Fashion Design & Merchandising Student Showcase and Fashion Show at the SIUC Student Center Ballrooms.

The evening will begin at 6:00 PM in the J.W. Corker Lounge with a student showcase of exhibits, which will include examples of student projects from a variety of classes. The featured exhibit is a brand development collaboration project that displays the creative talents of fashion merchandising students, fashion designers, fashion stylists, and interior design students. Exhibits may be viewed from 6:00-7:00 P.M.

At 7:00, the Runway Fashion Shows will start in Student Center Ballroom D. The first runway show will be the ‘Dressed for Effect’ collection featuring garments constructed by first year fashion design students Sydney Bias, Cynthia Brackens, Julienne Bridges, Alana Cade, Tatiana Cody, Kyndell Cole, Rachel Jagust, Yasziim Polanco, and Kandis Sullivan. The second runway show will be the ‘Time After Time’
collections created by junior designers Anna Rutledge, Olivia Martinez, Eva Dynes, Morgan Bishop, Joshua Gavel, Sydney Baker, and Elizabeth Jean-Pierre. The final runway show will be the final garment collections of senior fashion design students: Christa McGrath, who will present ‘Remember Me’; Jessica Hardwick, will present ‘A Flower for My Love’; and Cristyn Farris, will present ‘Cirque de Otage.’

More than 150 students from across the SIU campus are involved in this event, including John A. Logan College Cosmetology students under the direction of Nancy Jo Crowell, who help complete the final runway looks. This event is free and open to public and we look forward to this event this year!

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS VISIT
On Friday, April 8, 2016, sixteen (16) students from Johnston City High School visited the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT). After talking with ISAT faculty and advisor, they were given hands-on Steganography exercise in the Cybersecurity and Network Lab.

BUDGETING, PLANNING, AND SUPPORT STAFF MEETING
The Budgeting, Planning, and Support Staff will meet on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 10:00am - 12:00pm in the Dean’s Conference Room. The tentative agenda of the meeting is below:

1. Welcome and Update
2. Ad Staff Report
3. FY 2017 Budget Cut and Planning
4. Payroll Procedures
5. End of Fiscal Year Guidelines
6. Summer 2016 Contracts
7. Other Business, Good News

If you have any specific items that you feel the Budgeting, Planning, and Support Staff should consider at the meeting, please send Mary Nemetsky (mnemet@siu.edu) your suggestions before 1:00pm Tuesday, 4/12/2016.

FINE ARTS LECTURES
On Tuesday, April 12th, Mark Foster Gage, Assistant Dean of Yale School of Architecture and Principal & Founder of Mark Foster Gage Architects, NYC, will present the final lecture of the semester as part of the SIU Fine Arts Lecture series. Mr. Gage combines his unique background as a classically trained architect, protégé of Robert A.M. Stern, and studio assistant to Frank Gehry into a practice that combines the best design techniques of the past with the emerging technologies of tomorrow. His work also includes smaller, advanced technology projects that have pioneered the use of physical interactivity, virtual reality, robotics, 3D printing, and spatial social media for clients. More information about Mark Foster Gage is available here: http://www.mfga.com/. His lecture will start at 6:00pm in Quigley Hall 140B. A reception is followed in Quigley Gallery 119. The event is free and open to the public.

ON THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

- Monday, April 11, 2016: 10:00am - 1:00pm, Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Student Center.
- Tuesday, April 12, 2016: 10:00am - 11:00am, UCLC Executive Director and Dean meeting; 11:00am - 12:30pm, Deans Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room.
- Wednesday, April 13, 2016: 10:00am - 11:30am, CASA Budgeting, Planning, and Support Staff Meeting, Dean’s Conference Room.
- Thursday, April 14, 2016: 10:00am, Meeting Dr. Hans-E. Schurk, President, Hochschule fur Angewandte, Stone Center.
- Friday, April 15, 2016: 9:00am, SIUC Foundation Executive Committee Meeting.

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; 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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