

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

Monday, January 16, 2017 (sent on 1/17/2017)

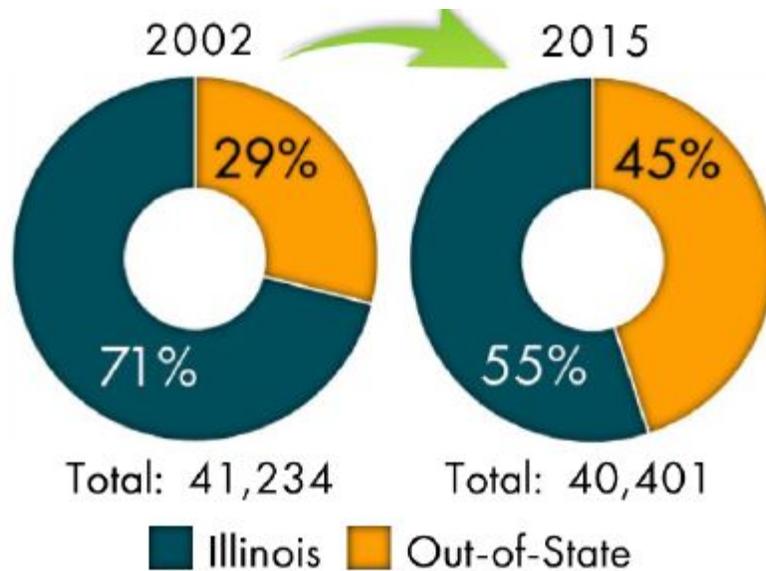
Dear Colleagues,

Welcome back! I hope you enjoyed your holiday break as much as I did and are returning to work ready to start another exciting semester. At the beginning of this new calendar year, I would like to seek your support for two initiatives in our College:

1. **Student Success Initiative (SSI):** After the 2016 fall semester final examination, CASA had 18 students on academic suspension and 65 students on academic probation. The SSI is a collective effort to help our students with the following goals: (1) Continue our “NEAT” initiative to monitor student academic success; (2) Focusing on students with a GPA around 1.85 to 2.35; (3) Providing mid-term grades to students for major courses as well as 100- and 200-level courses by the end of the 8th week; and (4) Providing additional advisement to “at-risk” students.
2. **Community College Connection Initiative (C3I):** This initiative aims at building a pipeline for post-secondary education through a systematic outreach and collaboration with high school districts and community colleges. Taking accessibility and affordability into consideration, the C3I initiative offers a pathway for high school students and two-year college students to earn a baccalaureate or graduate degree. C3I consists of three components: (1) Offering cutting-edge technological courses in high schools and community colleges through online courses; (2) Organizing events and student competitions to enhance connections; and (3) Providing workshops and seminars to high school and community college teachers.

On March 1st, members of the SIU community will join together for an extraordinary day of giving back. The goal is simple: to inspire Salukis everywhere to come together, demonstrate their pride for SIU, and provide essential funding to support SIU students and help shape the University. You will receive more information when we get closer to the SIU Day of Giving. This is a timely fundraising effort, and together we can open the door to opportunity at CASA.

As many of you know, there is little progress in terms of the state budget impasse up to this point. The Illinois General Assembly is back in session now, and I hope we could hear some positive news of the state budget soon. Due to the state budget impasse, our University has not received state appropriation for the past 19 months except a “stopgap” funding in April of 2016. A report from IBHE, as shown in the picture below, indicates that the enrollment of Illinois residents at Illinois colleges is at a recent low, while enrollment of Illinois residents at out-of-state institutions is at an all-time high (2014). Illinois (-16,623) currently ranks second to New Jersey (-29,101) in terms of net loss due to migration. Eliminating the net loss would result in more than \$215 million in additional tuition and fees revenue to Illinois colleges and universities (using the average tuition and fees for Illinois public universities, but not including the increased revenues to communities from other normal student expenditures for room, board and living expenses).



+55% increase in the rate of out-of-state enrollment  
 +50% increase in the number of outmigrants

## SYLLABUS SUBMISSION

Course syllabi must be provided to all students at the beginning of each course, and to the Chair/Director by the end of the first week of the class: Friday, January 20, 2017. The recommended Syllabus attachment for Spring 2017 can be accessed via SalukiNet and is available here: <http://pvcaa.siu.edu/forms/index.php> - the last link on the bottom of this page.

## 2017 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 2017. Please note two important changes in this year's guidelines:

1. The summer research support is open to all faculty, **including NTT faculty**. The preference will be given to junior faculty.
2. The top criterion to win this support is the "potential to generate results **to secure external funding**." In other words, we hope to provide a seed fund for those projects to be able to seek extramural funding.

Please prepare your proposal early and submit it before March 15, 2017. Again, we will use a "double blind" peer review process. Mary will remove the author identity before sending the proposal to the Research Committee to review. For more information, please check the College webpage:

<http://asa.siu.edu/common/documents/2017-Summer-Research-Support-Guidelines.pdf>.

## DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARD NOMINATION

The most prestigious award in CASA, the E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award, is calling for nominations. Ernest J. Simon was dean of the College from its inception in 1951 until his retirement in 1970, and both he and his wife, Mary C. Simon, remained strong supporters of the University and CASA. This award recognizes the overall accomplishments of a faculty member in support of his or her respective program and can only be received once in a lifetime. This award is intended to acknowledge, celebrate, and reward extraordinary lifetime achievement with respect to teaching and other activities directly related to the education and general welfare of students of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts. This is the top faculty award in our College. The recipient receives \$5,000 and a plaque, and makes a speech at the annual *CASA Honors Day* Ceremony.

The Dean's office is accepting nominations for the E.J. and Mary C. Simon Distinguished Faculty Award. Please check [http://asa.siu.edu/common/documents/Simon\\_Distinguished\\_Faculty\\_Award\\_2017.pdf](http://asa.siu.edu/common/documents/Simon_Distinguished_Faculty_Award_2017.pdf) for guidelines and forms. Completed nomination forms and accompanying documents must be submitted by **January 29, 2017**. The award winner is selected in February and will be recognized at the April Board of Counselors luncheon. The document has been updated and can be found at <http://asa.siu.edu/infofor/excellence-awards.html>. You may have to refresh your browser for the updated document to appear.

## CONGRATULATIONS

- Dr. **Rolando Gonzalez-Torres**, Associate Professor of Architecture, will present his paper titled "Decentralization as an Alternative: The case of Rockford Illinois" at the International Conference ARQUITECTONICS NETWORK: Mind, Land and Society, Barcelona, Spain, May 31st - June 2nd, 2017. Congratulations!
- Dr. **Sam Chung**, Professor and Director of the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies, presented his research of "Re-engineering Approach for Secure IoT" at the Brain Korea 21 Program for Leading Universities & Students (BK21-PLUS 2016) Conference in NY, January 14 - 15, 2017. This conference is hosted by the Graduate School of Public Administration (GSPA), Seoul National University (SNU). Congratulations!
- Dr. **Jon Daniel Davey**, Professor of Architecture, has been traveling and studying the architecture of Southeast Asia in Thailand and Cambodia for the last month for his ARC 532 Global Architecture class. The picture below was shared by Dr. Davey. Congratulations!



- More than 30 students will receive the funds necessary for textbooks and supplies for the 2017 spring semester from the SIU Alumni Association during a ceremony at the Student Center on Tuesday, Jan. 17. The Association will host these students and the deans from their respective colleges for a brief awards presentation at 5 p.m. in Ballroom D. The Textbook Awards Ceremony has become an annual tradition of the Association, with hundreds of students receiving this financial assistance since 2008. Awards are granted to students who demonstrate a financial need and have a GPA of at least 3.0. The scholarships are just one way the Association helps the campus community, connecting alumni and current students. Congratulations!
- Twenty-five Korean high school students visited the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies yesterday. They were hosted by ISAT and SIU College of Education Professor, Dr. Yeo. These students learned SIU degree programs Information Systems Technologies and Sports Management, and research opportunities. Congratulations!
- The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) reviewed our Radiologic Science Radiation Therapy program according to the Standards for an Accredited Educational Program in Radiation Therapy (2014). The JRCERT has approved the maintenance of our Radiation Therapy program to maintain its accreditation until the next site visit in the third quarter of 2020. Congratulations!
- On January 3-4, 2017, four MSFS students, Aaliyah Anderson, Lin Crisco, Wendy Robertson, and Ewa Krawczyk, had a field study trip to Mid-America Transplant in St. Louis. Impressed by their commitment to the field, the Mid-America Transplant Foundation decided to increase their scholarship award for the 2016-17 academic year: \$2,000 for Aaliyah and Lin, and another scholarship offer for Wendy Robertson. Congratulations!
- Brian Scott, an SIU graduate, was appointed as new Fire Chief in Evanston, IL, at the end of last year and he will officially take over as chief starting on January 9, 2017. Congratulations!



- Brendan McKee, an SIU graduate of Fire Service Management program, was appointed as Wood River's new Fire Chief starting January 4th, 2017. Congratulations!



## **AD STAFF MEETING**

The Administrative (AD) Staff will meet on Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 9:00am - 12:00pm in the Dean's Conference Room. The tentative agenda of the meeting is below:

1. Welcome, Open Forum, and Dean's Update
2. Spring Registration and Fall Admission Yield
3. Community College Articulation Agreements
4. Online Education and Budget
5. Round Table Discussion
6. 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, 1/17/2017. All faculty and staff are invited to the open forum section of the Administrative Staff meeting from 9:00am - 9:30am.

## **UNIVERSITY-LEVEL AWARDS**

You are encouraged to submit nominations for the University-Level Scholar Excellence Award, the University-Level Teaching Excellence Awards (TT & NTT) and the University-Level Early Career Faculty Excellence Award. Details of these three awards can be found at <http://excellenceawards.siu.edu/guidelines/index.php>.

Complete nomination packages must be received by Friday, February 10, 2017, 4:30 p.m. Materials will not be accepted after the deadline. Electronic (pdf) submission is preferred. Please note, nomination packages which do not follow the guidelines, especially in the supporting documentation, may be returned to ensure proper review by the selection committee. Nominations that are too long may disadvantage an otherwise worthy candidate. Thank you.

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

- Monday, January 16, 2017: Martin Luther King Day, University Holiday.
- Tuesday, January 17, 2017: 10:00am - 12:30pm, Deans' Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room; 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Alumni Textbook Award Ceremony, Student Center Ballroom D.
- Wednesday, January 18, 2017: 9:00am - 12:00pm, CASA Ad Staff Meeting, Dean's Conference Room.
- Thursday, January 19, 2017: 5:00pm - 7:00pm, RSO and Volunteerism Fair, Student Center Ballrooms,
- Friday, January 20, 2017: 8:00am, United States Presidential Inauguration.

## **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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