

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

Monday, August 24, 2015

Dear Colleagues,

As we start the 2015-2016 academic year, I offer a warm welcome to all those students, faculty and staff who are new to our College, and to those who are returning after their summer holidays - welcome back to a new academic year.

As I mentioned during our college meeting last Wednesday, together we have accomplished a great deal in the past academic year: among other achievements, the inaugural issue of [Journal of Applied Sciences and Arts](#) has been published, which will be included in the OpenSIUC digital library and as part of the Digital Commons Network; the second [ASA Research Symposium](#) has received strong support from academic and industrial partners. The institutional health is tied to enrollment, and CASA has been leading the campus in terms of enrollment and retention. With the Fall semester 10th day data available soon, we will see more than 5% increase for our on-campus enrollment and more than 20% increase for our distance education enrollment comparing it with last year. The total development outcome in FY 2015 was more than twice the funds we raised in FY 2013, including cash pledges, gifts-in-kinds, and services, thanks to the tireless efforts of our CDO Kevin Lister, working with chairs and directors, and the college Board of Counselors. Over the past academic year, the College has received tremendous support from our alumni and industry partners. Please check our [Summer 2015 Newsletter](#) for more information.

This year the leadership team of the College has set up a set of goals to continue our success. We'd like to enhance program quality by improving faculty research and creativity, assessment and accreditation; strengthening our existing graduate programs and establishing new ones to better serve our students. Meanwhile, we'd like to streamline our distance education programs focusing on off-campus enrollment and administrative structures.

There is no doubt in my mind that this will be another exciting academic year, and I am looking forward to working with you towards CASA's continued growth and success.

### CONGRATULATIONS

- **Faith Miller**, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene, has been selected to receive a three-year appointment as a Judge William Holmes Cook Professor at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. This is a prestigious professorship established in memory of and through an unrestricted gift from the estate of Judge William Holmes Cook. It includes a special stipend of \$7,500 per year to be used for research projects, travel allowance, or to fund a graduate assistantship. Congratulations!
- **Mike Burgener**, Chair of Aviation Technologies, along with Dr. **Charles Rodriguez**, has a new grant project titled "Boeing-Environmental Control System (ECS) Test Plan" submitted to The Boeing Company with a project from June 15, 2015 to January 17, 2016 and a total of \$59,562 funding amount. Mike is the Principal Investigator (PI). Congratulations!
- **Tom Imboden**, Associate Professor of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT), has received a grant of \$15,800 from the National Security Agency (NSA) for his proposal titled "The Southern Illinois Collegiate Cyber Co-op (SI3C): Furthering the Study of Cybersecurity in Southern Illinois through a Regional College Partnership." This is a collaborative project among

Information Systems Technologies faculty Belle Woodward, Nancy Martin, Andrey Soares, Sam Chung, and key partners from community colleges in the region. Congratulations!

- Dr. **Seung-Hee Lee**, Program Director and Associate Professor of Fashion Design and Merchandising, has recently received two paper awards: Best Paper Award, and Outstanding Paper Award, at an International Conference SOItmC & KCWS 2015, June 14-18, 2015, Korea. The first paper is "The Influence of need for touch and gender on Internet shopping attitudes," and the second paper is "What knowledge activities promote creativity?" Co-authors for the two papers are Jane Workman and Kwangho Jung. The best paper will be recommended at one of SSCI journals, while the outstanding paper will be recommended at a SCOPUS journal automatically. Congratulations!



- **Faith Miller**, Associate Professor of Dental Hygiene, has a peer-reviewed paper titled "Addressing Whitening-Related Sensitivity" published in *Dimensions of Dental Hygiene*, July 2015, pp. 21 - 22. This is a journal widely read among practitioners, students and educators. Congratulations!
- **Shannon McDonald**, Assistant Professor of Architecture, presented at the TRF Webinar "Automated Vehicles and Automated Transit and Their Potential Impacts on Our Built World" hosted by the TRF Advanced Technologies Chapter June 30, 2015. Congratulations!
- Our Fire Service Management (FSM) program has been recognized as a UAPI Partner by the Center for Homeland Defense and Security's University and Agency Partnership Initiative (UAPI). More information is at <https://www.uapi.us/programs/1736>. Congratulations!
- Four Aviation Flight students participated in the 2015 Air Race Classic (ARC) competition June 22-26, 2015 in two teams. It is a transcontinental flying competition for women pilots. There were totally 54 teams in this competition of a total of 2,199 nautical miles.
  - First Place: Stephanie Armstrong, Jessica Reed, Score: 4.103
  - 24th Place: Emily Frasca, Sarah Demkovich, Score -4.521

The complete competition is available here:

[http://thesouthern.com/news/local/communities/carbondale/article\\_48f960d4-7523-5c5f-88e3-c6b49232fe00.html](http://thesouthern.com/news/local/communities/carbondale/article_48f960d4-7523-5c5f-88e3-c6b49232fe00.html), <http://galenaforest.us/ARC/2015/2015.Race.Results.Place.Report.pdf>.

Congratulations!

- The Robert Bosch LLC North America Automotive Aftermarket Brake division announced the winners of the student contest for Automotive Technology members of the Illinois College of Automotive Instructors Association (ICAIA), and SIU Automotive Technology students had a sweep success: all top three winners are SIU students:
  - Karren Eckerty, 1st place, receiving \$1,500 cash award;
  - Kyle Palermo, 2nd place, receiving \$1,000 cash award; and
  - Evgeniy Pavlenko, 3rd place, receiving \$500 cash award.The Department of Automotive Technology will receive the prize of \$2,500 as a winning school for this Brake Lube Contest. Congratulations!
- Please join me in congratulating five (5) of our current dosimetry students receiving scholarship awards from the professional association: AAMD (American Association of Medical Dosimetrists Education and Research Foundation). Each of them will receive a cash award of \$4,200. This is out of a total of 15 recipients from all dosimetry programs in the nation. Congratulations!
- Please join me in congratulating Department of Automotive Technology (AUT) for its articulation agreement with Sinclair Community College (SCC), Dayton, OH The agreement has been signed by Dr. David L. Collins, Provost of Sinclair Community College, and Dr. Susan Ford for President Randy Dunn. According to the agreement, all graduates of Sinclair Community College with an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Automotive Technology and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Automotive Technology (AUT) in our College based upon the Departments enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations!
- The Aviation Management program within the Department of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF) has an MOU with Community College Beaver County, PA. While we are waiting for the state authorization, a new program code and DA1 code for this new site will be established. The MOU has been signed by Dr. Susan Ford for the President of SIU and President of Community College of Beaver County, Dr. Christopher M. Reber. Congratulations!
- Please join me in congratulating School of Architecture Fire Service Management (FSM) program for its articulation agreement with Tidewater Community College (TCC), Norfolk, VA. The agreement has been signed by Dr. Daniel DeMarte, VP for Academic Affairs and Chief Academic Officer of Tidewater Community College, and Dr. Susan Ford for President Randy Dunn. According to the agreement, all graduates of TCC with an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree in Fire Service Technology and meeting SIU Carbondale FSM program admission requirements will be considered for admission into our FSM program based upon the program enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations!
- Kimberly Wrye (BS 1993 Health Care Management, BS 1982 Advanced Technical Studies) has been promoted to Director of Quality at Baptist Health Paducah:  
<http://surfky.com/index.php/news/local/mccracken/62687-baptist-health-paducah-names-new-quality-director>. Congratulations!

- SIU President Dunn has approved the RME (Reasonable and Moderate Extension) proposal adding a Professional Pilot specialization in Aviation Management in the Department of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF). This change will be published in the 2016-17 catalog. Congratulations to all faculty and staff of AVMAF!
- The PTA (Physical Therapist Assistant) program in the School of Allied Health received an estate gift from Carolyn Reinbold that will support generations of PTA students. Congratulations!
- The 2015 summer class of Radiation Therapy specialization in Radiologic Sciences program passed the ARRT (American Registry of Radiologic Technologists) exam on their first attempt with 100% passing rate. Congratulations!
- The 2015 cohort Dental Hygiene (DH) students passed the National Board DH Exam (NBDHE) on their first attempt with 100% passing rate. Congratulations!
- Charles J. Buschick, a student in our Fire Service Management (FSM) program, received a \$1,000 scholarship from the College of Lake County, University Center in Grayslake, IL. We also found out last weekend that we had 20 students receive scholarships from the Illinois Fire Chief's Association totaling at \$21,000.00. Congratulations!

### **NOTE: MORE CONGRATULATIONS NEXT WEEK**

More items of congratulations and summer activities have to be moved to the newsletter next Monday, otherwise this newsletter will be too long to read!

### **NC REPORTS**

The first week of class is always hectic. We ask each department/school to provide an NC (No Coverage) report at the end of the first week showing whether some course offered in the schedule (SalukiNet) without an instructor assigned. Please make sure there is no course starting the first class without an instructor in classroom. If a faculty member will not be able to go to his/her first class, for any reasons, please inform students BEFORE the class time and have a backup or makeup plan. By the end of this week, each department/school will submit an NC report to Dean's office.

### **CASA'S "NEAT" INITIATIVE**

Our College has been working on a "NEAT" project for the last two years, which reports 'at risk' students at the strategic dates outlined below:

- **"N"** (*No-show*) - At the end of the first week of classes, an NS (no show) Report will be collected from each course instructor based on the class attendance records, identifying those students that missed their first week's classes.
- **"E"** (*Engage*) - At the end of the fourth week of classes, an Engagement Report will determine the pattern of attendance and work record to date for early withdrawal or intervening recommendations.
- **"A"** (*Assess*) - At the mid-term (before the final drop date), **all** students should have been provided, thus be able to **Access**, an official mid-term grade report on *SalukiNet*.
- **"T"** (*Term*) - During the week or two before 'Finals Week', a Term Report will tell whether a student is in danger of receiving a failing or significantly deficient grade. We suggest to engage these students in review sessions or encourage them to seek tutoring help.

The first six weeks of a new academic year is important particularly for our new students. What happens during this time may determine a student's ability to persist and graduate. It is a crucial time for our students to get acclimated to college and to get into a groove and feel comfortable in their new

environment. they need to navigate the transition from high school to college and find ways to get organized, to meet new people, to get involved on campus, to cope with the inevitable stresses of college life, possibly to deal with homesickness, and to form new habits and find a new routine for their life. Let us recognize these important transitions and help our students address these concerns.

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

- Monday, August 24, 2015: First Day of Classes for Fall 2015.
- Tuesday, August 25, 2015: 11:00am - 12:00pm, Deans' Informal Meeting, BCR.
- Wednesday, August 26, 2015: 4:00pm - 6:00pm, School of Architecture welcome event, Quigley Hall Gallery or Courtyard.
- Thursday, August 27, 2015: 5:00pm - 7:00pm, RSOs and community organizations Involvement Fair, Student Center Corker Lounge, Ballrooms and International Lounge.
- Friday, August 28, 2015: 4:20pm, Fall semester NC (No-Coverage) reports due to Dean's Office.

### **AND FINALLY ...**

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send me an email at my SIU email [awang@siu.edu](mailto:awang@siu.edu) or call me at 618-536-6682. Also, if you know of somebody who might be 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. On the other hand, if you prefer not to receive the CASA Dean's MMU, please let me know as well. Thank you.

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