

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

### *A Tradition of Excellence; A Standard of Success*

Monday, March 19, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

During the SIU Day of Giving on Wednesday, March 7, 2018, CASA raised \$12,421 from 306 gifts! Among 28 participating units of the University, our College had the highest number of participants in the one-day fundraising event. Our College's participation increased by 170 percent (170%), and the total raised increased by 31.96% compared to last year. On behalf of the College, I would like to thank you for helping to make this year's Day of Giving a great success.

As CASA faculty and staff, we invest our time and talent into the College and our students every day. When we extend our contributions to include philanthropy, we express our belief in the College's mission and actively support our long-standing culture of excellence. Chairs/directors and administrative staff in CASA played a critical role in our Day of Giving success as leaders and organizers of "giving desks" and individual events. They are some of the College's greatest advocates, actively promoting our values, supporting our mission, and making CASA a great place to work and to learn. Our alumni, faculty, and staff donated at various levels. As we always say, no gift is too small (or too big), and it is your participation that is important!

The School of Architecture set up a new fundraiser this year, the NEXT Interior Design Scholarship, under the leadership of Laura Morthland and John Dobbins, in honor of the Steelcase Corporation national student design competition. They raised \$3911.74 for the NEXT Interior Design Scholarship alone. The Aviation programs hosted a donation table in the Transportation Education Center. The School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) and the School of Allied Health (SAH) both had donation tables helped by faculty, staff and students during the Giving Day. I appreciate all your efforts and the excellent job done to make the Day of Giving a great success. Especially, I would like to thank Scott Collins and all SAH faculty, staff, and students for their great contributions: SAH alone had 150 gifts, almost half of the total gifts for the College!

Thanks to the collective support of alumni, faculty, staff, students, friends – your gifts will help our students and help our University. Thank you!

Below are a few pictures taken during the SIU Day of Giving on March 7, 2018.





More information about the Day of Giving is available at:

<http://news.siu.edu/2018/03/031518-2018-day-of-giving-exceeds-expectations.php>.

## **FLASH TALK 2**

The 2018 Research Flash Talk (<http://news.siu.edu/2018/03/031518-flash-talk-2.php>) is this 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 p.m.

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. You can find all the abstracts for this event here: <https://tinyurl.com/ycjgee75>.

## **VTI - CASA REUNION**

We started out in 1950 as the Vocational Technical Institute (VTI), and then became known as the School of Technical Careers (STC), the College of Technical Careers (CTC), and now, the College of Applied Sciences and Arts (CASA). To celebrate our rich history and accomplishments, we will have a VTI-CASA Reunion on Saturday, April 14, 2018 for alumni and all current and former faculty and staff of the College.

Please mark your calendar for **5 PM on April 14th** and join us at the Garden Grove Event Center, 1215 E. Walnut St., Carbondale (behind the University Mall). Hors-d'oeuvres and cocktails will begin at 5 o'clock, followed by a presentation of the College's history at 6 PM. Please RSVP by the end of this month through <http://asa.siu.edu/reunion/>. Thank you.

## CONGRATULATIONS

- Twenty (20) Master of Science in Medical Dosimetry (MD) program students from the School of Allied Health (SAH) took the national certification examination offered by the Medical Dosimetrist Certification Board (MDCB) in January 2018, and all 20 passed the exam. This is a marvelous 100% first attempt pass rate! Congratulations!

The MDCB is the recognized certifying agency for Medical Dosimetry in the United States and administers the Medical Dosimetry Certification Exam. Since 2012, the exam is administered twice annually. There are 19 dosimetry programs nationally and we are one of only four programs offering the Master of Science Degree.

- Please join me in congratulating the School of Allied Health (SAH) Dental Hygiene (DH) program for its articulation agreement with Lake Land College, Mattoon, IL. The agreement has been signed by SIU administration and Lake Land College leaders. According to the agreement, all graduates of Lake Land College with an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Dental Hygiene and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Dental Hygiene (DH) in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations to **Scott Collins, Faith Miller**, and all DH/SAH faculty/staff!
- Please join me in congratulating the School of Information Systems and Applied Technologies (ISAT) Information Systems Technologies (IST) program for its articulation agreements with Shawnee Community College, Ullin, IL. The agreement has been signed by SIU administration and Shawnee Community College leaders. According to the agreement, all graduates of Shawnee Community College with an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Information Processing Technology and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Information Systems Technologies (IST) in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations to **Sam Chung** and all IST/ISAT faculty/staff!
- Please join me in congratulating the Department of Aviation Management and Flight (AVMAF) Aviation Management (AVM) program for its articulation agreement with Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL. The agreement has been signed by SIU administration and Southwestern Illinois College leaders. According to the agreement, all graduates of Southwestern Illinois College with an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Aviation Management and

meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Aviation Management (AVM) in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability. Congratulations to **Mike Burgener** and all AVMAF faculty/staff!

- On February 15, 2018, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Junior Dental Hygiene (DH) students Rebecca Tompkins, Anna Roczowski, Kayce Landewee, and Madison Forby provided oral hygiene education and oral health supplies to the Health Fair participants at Unity Point School in Carbondale. The Health Fair theme was "Saddle Up and Be Healthy". The students did a great job with their educational poster board and enjoyed sharing knowledge with families. They attended as part of their Community Oral Health course. Thanks to all these students for their community service effort and for representing the SIU Dental Hygiene program.



- **Ms. Caitlyn Cathcart**, a senior in Interior Design (ID) who is set to graduate in May 2018 has won the national Steelcase Design Competition. This is an incredibly high honor; Ms. Cathcart was selected as the top designer out of 800 student entries from 65 programs across the nation. Congratulations!

Caitlyn and the ID program will each receive \$2,500.00. Below is part of Caitlyn's design, and a few pictures taken during the celebration gathering in the Quigley Gallery.



 CAFE DINING

Follow the wooden paths from the reception to find a welcoming atmosphere filled with elements of nature and space to gather and interact with the community.



 EAST OPEN OFFICE

Have the opportunity for spontaneous interactions with other community members on the walk to the cafe or take a view of the lifestyle and education digital display wall.



# NEXT

## STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION

[STEELCASE is a Global Corporation; in business since 1912; 750 dealerships world wide; an industry leader in furniture design, manufacturing, industry research and workplace solutions; "Steelcase helps leading organizations create places that unlock the promise of their people..."]

**STATISTICS**  
 5 years of competition  
 2 student entries per program  
 Over 3,000 student entries; 5 National Winners

## SIU SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE INTERIOR DESIGN PROGRAM

[The Interior Design Program is the oldest accredited program in the state and one of the oldest in the country; it was first accredited by the Foundation for Interior Design Education Research (FIDER) in 1974. Today the program is fully accredited by the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) and remains continually responsive to the standards and demands of the design profession. "Our graduates...[are]...technically smart and creatively intelligent."]

**STATISTICS**  
 5 years of competition  
 10 students entered  
 1 Top Ten [2013], Ms. Taylor Behl-Hecht  
 1 Top Five [2014], Ms. Sara Diesburg  
 1 National Winner [2017], Ms. Caitlyn Cathcart

- Please join me in congratulating Health Care Management (HCM) student, **Sarah Hepper** for being selected as our recipient of the Foster G. McGaw Scholarship. The award is provided by HCM's certifying body, the Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA), and comes with a \$500.00 prize!

The Foster G. McGaw Scholarship provides financial support to undergraduate and graduate students in health administration. More than 900 scholarships have been awarded since the program was established in 1975. The scholarship was endowed by Foster G. McGaw, founder of the American Hospital Supply Corporation. McGaw recognized the importance of health administration education and AUPHA's contribution to the field. A presentation of the award will be scheduled later this semester.



- Please join me in congratulating our Security Dawgs team! They placed second in the Illinois State Wildcard Cyber Defense Competition on Saturday, March 10th, 2018. Winning this competition means the Security Dawgs have earned the opportunity to compete in the 2018 Erich J. Spengler Midwest Regional Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (CCDC). This event takes place on March 23-24 at Moraine Valley Community College. Congratulations!





- **Chris Micha**, Automotive Technology Industrial Board Co-Chair from Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, has worked closely with ICT to develop the Qlikview-based SQDF (Service & Quality Data Feed) and has been the lead voice in the efforts of building an SQDF Alert Dashboard. He continues to challenge the status quo and pushes the organization to incorporate enhancements to the SQDF database/tools for better, faster, data. The SQDF Qlikview tool was developed to allow Engineering and Quality to quickly identify emerging/growing issues and start the investigation/triage work for quick issue resolution. In addition, an SQDF Alert Dashboard, using data analytics, was developed to provide early issue alerts. The current average cost avoidance estimate from this tool is about \$900,000 to \$1.8M yearly, generating about 5 to 10 new SQDF Global Issue Management issues (GIMs) every month. Chris Micha was recognized by FCA executive as show in the picture below. Congratulations!



- A new SIU Aviation Student Registered Organization (RSO), Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals, has been established in our aviation programs and approved by the SIU Undergraduate Student Government. **Verneceelyn Allen** is the President of this new RSO. Kudos to Ms. Allen for her leadership. Congratulations!
- **Dr. David W. Gilbert**, Associate Professor of Automotive Technology, organized the BSA STEM activities at the Transportation Education Center (TEC) on Saturday, February 24, 2018. Boy Scouts from multiple troops were actively involved in Programming, Aviation, and Automotive Merit Badges. It was a great day, even though the weather was a bit wet. I believe these types of community service events are great recruiting opportunities and help keep our programs strong. Boy Scout Merit Badge Counselors for the event were **Jeff Hayes** - Aviation Flight, **Don Morris** - Aviation Technologies, Programming, and David W. Gilbert - Automotive. A total of 38 Boy Scouts registered for the various merit badge activities at the TEC. Many thanks go to the student and faculty volunteers that helped to make this event successful. Congratulations!



- Please join me in congratulating **Vicki Brown**, Health Care Management (HCM) undergraduate student, and **Chris Grace**, Health Administration (MHA) graduate student, for being selected and recognized by the Mid-America Health Care Executives Forum (MHEF) this year. MHEF is an independent chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

Both MHEF award recipients, Vicki and Chris, will receive a certificate of recognition and a cash gift. The MHEF awards will be presented on April 3, 2018 at 11:00am in the Dean's Conference Room.



**Vicki Brown** also received the SIU Joyce Guyon Women’s Club Scholarship, a \$2000 monetary award. Congratulations!

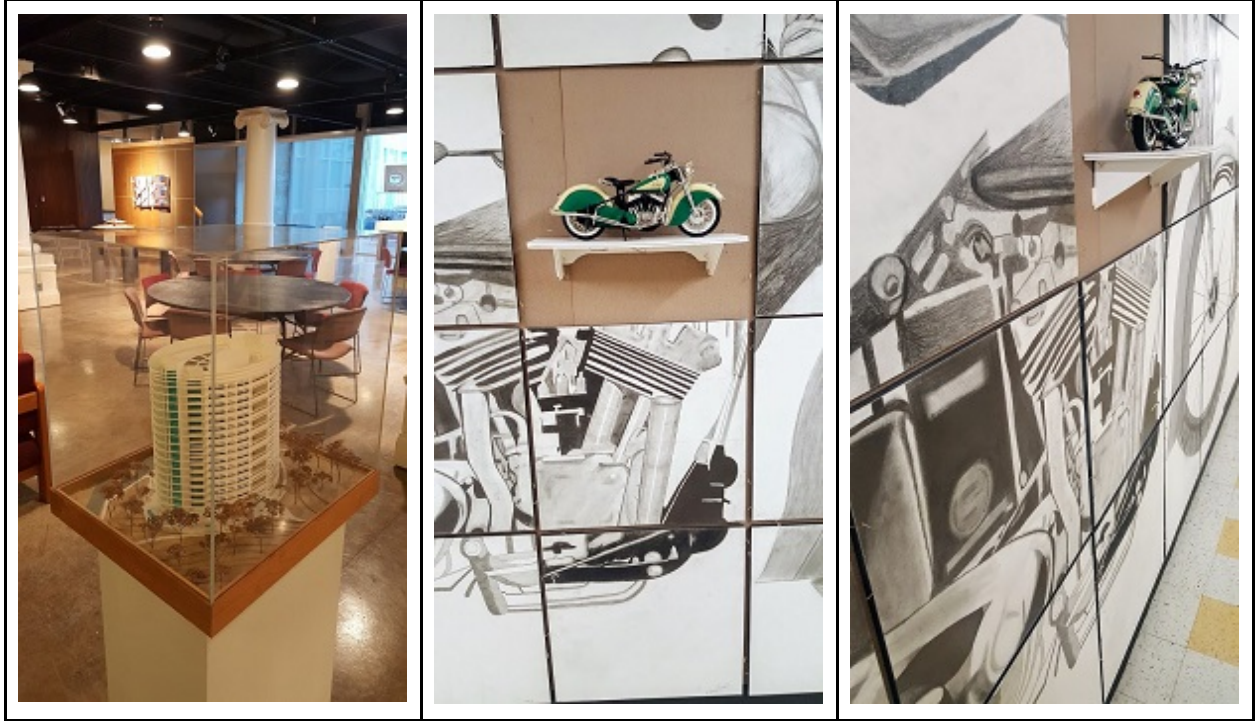
- The School of Architecture (SOA) hosted the IDEA (Illinois Design Educators Association) Regional Competition on Friday, March 9. The event included computer-based and drafting designs in various locations in Quigley Hall, along with a team competition. The top three finishers in each of the 10 events received awards, with the top two finishers qualifying for state competition on April 14 at Illinois State University. The pictures below show the awards ceremony and the team from Benton High School in Benton, Illinois, who won in every category and swept the awards in three of the categories at the event.





This was the first time the School of Architecture hosted this regional competition. **Peter Smith**, Associate Professor of Architecture, shared some photos of the set up around the building for the drafting competition event.





## AD STAFF MEETING

The College Administrative (AD) Staff will meet on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, 9:00am - 11:30am in the Dean's Conference Room. The meeting agenda includes the following items:

1. Welcome, Open Forum, and Dean's Update
2. Annual Evaluation and Workload Assignment
3. VTI - CASA Reunion Planning and Organization
4. Roundtable Update and Other Business

If you have any specific items that you feel the CASA Administrative Staff should consider at the meeting, please send me your suggestions before 1:00pm Tuesday, 3/20/2018. All faculty and staff are invited to the open forum section of the Administrative Staff meeting from 9:00am - 9:30am.

## DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN CLASSROOMS

How do we promote diversity and inclusion in classrooms? Prof. Monica Linden (Neuroscience, Brown University) created a "Diversity and Inclusion Statement" in her syllabus, as quoted below.

**Monica Linden:** *In an ideal world, science would be objective. However, much of science is subjective and is historically built on a small subset of privileged voices. In this class, we will make an effort to read*

*papers from a diverse group of scientists, but limits still exist on this diversity. I acknowledge that it is possible that there may be both overt and covert biases in the material due to the lens with which it was written, even though the material is primarily of a scientific nature. Integrating a diverse set of experiences is important for a more comprehensive understanding of science. I would like to discuss issues of diversity in neuroscience as part of the course from time to time.*

*Please contact me (in person or electronically) or submit anonymous feedback if you have any suggestions to improve the quality of the course materials.*

*Furthermore, I would like to create a learning environment for my students that supports a diversity of thoughts, perspectives and experiences, and honors your identities (including race, gender, class, sexuality, religion, ability, etc.) To help accomplish this:*

*If you have a name and/or set of pronouns that differ from those that appear in your official Brown records, please let me know!*

*If you feel like your performance in the class is being impacted by your experiences outside of class, please don't hesitate to come and talk with me. I want to be a resource for you. Remember that you can also submit anonymous feedback (which will lead to me making a general announcement to the class, if necessary to address your concerns). If you prefer to speak with someone outside of the course, the Associate Dean of the College for Diversity Programs is an excellent resource.*

*I (like many people) am still in the process of learning about diverse perspectives and identities. If something was said in class (by anyone) that made you feel uncomfortable, please talk to me about it. (Again, anonymous feedback is always an option.)*

*As a participant in course discussions, you should also strive to honor the diversity of your classmates. Versions of this statement were used in her neuroscience classes including a large (>100 students) lecture class on neural systems, a mid-sized (~35 student) lecture class on the neurobiology of learning and memory, and a small (17 student) senior-level seminar about the amygdala. Student feedback was immediately positive. Students complimented the statement, and for Monica, this invitation to talk with her opened up lines of communication in a way that she had not experienced before. Krishnan, now a graduate student in biology at Berkeley, used a similar statement in their lab section.*

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

- Monday, March 19, 2018: Flash Talk PPT slides due; 3:00pm - 4:00pm, IBHE Program Review Workshop, Library 752/754.
- Tuesday, March 20, 2018: 10:00am - 12:30pm, Deans' Council Meeting, Anthony Hall Balcony Conference Room; First day of Spring; International Day of Happiness; Illinois primary election.
- Wednesday, March 21, 2018: 9:00am - 11:30am, Ad Staff Meeting, Dean's Conference Room; 5:30pm - 6:00pm, Flash Talk Social Hour; 6:00pm - 8:00pm, Flash Talk Programs, Varsity Theater, downtown Carbondale.

- Thursday, March 22, 2018: 10:00am - 3:00pm, Automotive Technology and Aviation Programs Open House, Transportation Education Center.
- Friday, March 23, 2018: 9:00am - 10:00am, VTI - CASA Reunion Planning and Organization Committee Meeting, Dean's Conference Room.
- Saturday, March 24, 2018: 5:30pm - 7:30pm, In the Shadow eclipse documentary premiere, Shryock Auditorium.

## **AND FINALLY ...**

If you see something in this update that you want to comment on, please send an email to [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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