

**Transfer Coordinator's Meeting
SIUE Updates
April 7, 2009**

Cougar Pride Scholarships Include Transfers

Beginning fall 2009, SIUE will offer Cougar Pride Awards for freshmen and transfer students. The value will typically be \$2,000 annually as funding is available. It is also renewable as appropriate.

Criteria

Transfer students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA in course work that is transferable to SIUE. Students transferring from a 2-year, regionally accredited institution must have earned a minimum of 24 semester hours in course work that is transferable to SIUE. This award also may be granted to students coming from a 2-year institution with a recognized associate degree.

To Apply

Students need only complete the admissions application process before December 1, 2008, to be considered for the award. This award is available in the fall and spring of each academic year.

Follow this link for more information on scholarships for transfer students:

<http://www.siu.edu/financialaid/scholarships/institutional.shtml>

Community College Conference Set

SIUE will host the annual Community College Conference next year on **Thursday, October 8, 2009**. We are extending an early invitation to help you plan your calendar for next year. Please consider coming for a great program that will include updates on our academic programs and transfer student services, a view of our beautiful campus, and lots of fun with your colleagues from other colleges around the state. We especially want to see those of you who have never visited SIUE or have not been on our campus for a while. You'll be surprised at how much we have grown!

Transfer Admission Complete File Deadlines (domestic)

Applications accepted from one year in advance to approximately 5 weeks prior to the beginning of the term. Early, on line application is strongly encouraged.

Summer 2009 – Complete application before April 24, 2009

Fall 2009 – Complete application before July 24, 2009



This online program, 'Electronic Transfer Assistance for Cougars,' is designed to assist all entering transfer students in their transition to Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. eTRACS is a Blackboard- based course; Blackboard is an online program commonly used in SIUE courses. eTRACS is broken into modules; it is expected that entering transfer students will complete the introductory module and module 1 prior to scheduling their first academic advising appointment. For details <http://www.siu.edu/prospectivestudents/transfer/etracs.shtml>

TRANSFERmation Program

This program is designed to help SIUE transfer students learn more about the University and ease the transfer process. Transfer students entering fall 2009 may attend one of two programs to be announced. Details are available at www.siu.edu/prospectivestudents/admitted/transformation.shtml.

Program highlights include:

- introduction to academic programs and requirements;
- opportunities to meet other new transfer students;
- residence life and commuter resource information;
- features from the Career Development Center, Health Services, and Student Affairs;
- assignment of SIUE e-mail address and campus ID.

Housing www.siu.edu/housing

On-campus housing is a popular choice. Transfer students may choose to live in Cougar Village apartments or in a residence hall. Single students should apply early to ensure a space. A Single Student Housing Application and a \$300 deposit are due May 1 for the fall semester, December 1 for the spring semester, and April 1 for the summer term.

Family housing is available for married couples or students with dependent children. A separate application for family housing is required with a \$175 deposit. If space is offered, the deposit will be applied toward charges for that term.

Tuition and Fees –

2008-2009 Costs Per Semester

(subject to change)

Newly enrolled undergraduate students pay a guaranteed tuition rate for four continuous academic years. Fees include rental of basic textbooks.

Undergraduate Tuition and Fees, Illinois Residents

Five classes (15 semester hours) \$ 3,915.70

Undergraduate Tuition and Fees, Out of State

Five classes (15 semester hours) \$ 8,303.20

Financial Aid (financial aid code is 001759) <http://www.siu.edu/financialaid/>

March 1 is priority deadline to submit FAFSA to ensure consideration for all aid programs administered by SIUE.

Spring 2009 Open Houses

School of Pharmacy – April 18, 2009 9 am – 2-pm

CHATS

SIUE offers on line CHATS throughout the year. The last open CHAT scheduled for this semester is April 22 from 7-9 pm and April 23 from 8:30 am – 10:00 am is the International Student CHAT. All CHATS are announced on the SIUE Web site: www.siu.edu.

Academics

Please use the following Web addresses for questions about any of our academic majors.

College of Arts and Sciences - <http://www.siue.edu/artsandsciences/>

School of Business – <http://www.siue.edu/business/>

School of Dental Medicine – <http://www.siue.edu/dentalmedicine/>

School of Education – <http://www.siue.edu/education/>

School of Engineering- <http://www.siue.edu/engineering/>

School of Nursing- <http://www.siue.edu/nursing/>

School of Pharmacy ://www.siue.edu/pharmacy/

Academic Notes:

The School of Nursing is now offering a RN to BS degree option on line. The degree is designed for graduates of AA/AS degree nursing programs and diploma programs. 85% of the degree is on line and students are required to make 1-2 visits each semester to the main campus for orientation and meetings. This option begins in the fall term only and is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). This program has a reasonable tuition rate and there is no limit on transfer hours from other schools.

Construction at SIUE

The new **Student Success Center** is now under construction at the southwest corner of the Morris University Center. In addition to Academic Counseling & Advising, the Student Success Center will house Student Opportunities for Academic Success (SOAR), Instructional Services, International Student Services, Health and Counseling Services, Disability Support Services, Student Government and the Career Development Center. The Success Center will consolidate services and resources with the goal of improving student recruitment, retention and graduation rates.

Student Fitness Center expansion is underway. In addition to 4,000 sq. ft. of additional fitness space it will provide 2 gym courts, food and beverage service, social lounge, renovated fitness/wellness space, expanded fitness and cardio room and exercise studios, and much more. For details, see <http://www.siue.edu/crec/expansion.shtml>

Bookstore \$1.6 million renovation project was the first since the bookstore opened in 1967. The project includes custom-designed maple wood casework throughout the store. Expanded offerings include Cougar Tech, a complete technology department featuring Apple computers, iPods, software, electronics and accessories.” The Cougar Shop, marked by the cougar inset in the floor at the store entrance, contains an expanded selection of SIUE clothing and gifts. Other bookstore departments include school, art and residence hall supplies, general books and textbooks.

Science Labs The university has leased space from University Park and outfitted two new science labs, and is moving the Geographic Information Systems department to the new building.

Early Childhood Center A new addition to the north end of the Early Childhood Center will almost double the size of the facility. Several new classrooms will be added along with adjacent outdoor play areas. The existing facility is remodeling to provide proper offices, kitchen service facilities, and work rooms.

Athletics

SIUE Intercollegiate Athletics is currently transitioning to NCAA Division I status. The newest member of the Ohio Valley Conference, SIUE has a tradition of excellence in athletics having won one Division I and 16 Division II national championships; including seven in men's tennis, four in women's tennis, three in wrestling, two in men's soccer, and the latest by the softball team in 2007. <http://www.siue.edu/ATHLETIC/>

Counselor Resource and Cougar Connection Links

<http://www.siue.edu/prospectivestudents/counselors>

<http://www.siue.edu/prospectivestudents/counselors/CougarConnection.shtml>

Visit Us!

Every year, SIUE hosts two fall visit programs, called PREVIEW SIUE, held on Columbus Day and Veterans Day. All academic departments are available in one place to answer your questions. Campus and housing tours are given throughout the day.

If you can't come to PREVIEW, we urge you to take a tour of our campus and meet with a transfer coordinator or admission counselor to discuss the opportunities at SIUE. Campus tours are available Monday through Saturday throughout most of the year. To arrange a personal tour, [register online](#), or call (800) 447-SIUE or (618) 650-3705.