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# CARBONDALE

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### GET BACK ON TRACK...

Whether you are working towards the final semester before graduation, in your second semester of your freshman year, or somewhere in between, the beginning of a new semester can be a confusing and difficult time. These tips can help you be less intimidated about new classes, new friends, new professors, and everything that comes with a college semester.

### 1. DON'T SKIP CLASS, READ THE SYLLABUS

You enrolled at SIU to get an education and attend class. It may seem easy to skip class during the first few days of the semester because you think there will be no new material to learn. It is important that you make it to these classes. The first few days of class are when you learn about what to expect for the semester and get to know the teacher. Professors take note of who makes it to the first class, and it can be a bad first impression if you skip.

Your syllabus reveals not only the important dates, but also what you will be learning and what your professor is expecting. Reading the syllabus is one of the first things you should do for any class, and most of your questions about a class can likely be answered. Put important dates from the syllabus into a calendar with reminders and alerts of upcoming assignments and test.

### 2. GET INVOLVED: JOIN A STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Try something new this semester: join a student or Greek organization. You can get your friends involved, too. SIU has over 400 student organizations that provide an opportunity to enhance your leadership capabilities. SIU also has 33 fraternities and sororities that offer students the opportunity to become strong leaders, serve your community, and become part of the large Greek alumni to assist you in future endeavors. More information about registered student organizations can be found here. Information on fraternities and sororities can be found here.

### 3. RELAX

Don't overwhelm yourself in the first few weeks of the semester. Make sure to ease into the semester and take small steps into the workload. Relax and enjoy being back at school, but don't get too comfortable. Find time to work out or exercise, drink coffee with friends, go bowling at the Student Center, or check out the latest movies. Making time for YOU will help you get back on track and accomplish the goals you have set for the semester.

### **SIU Campus Resources**

**SIU Police** 

618-453-3771

**Parking Division** 

618-453-5369

Counseling Center

618-453-5371

Wellness Center

618-536-4441

Health Center

618-453-3311

Night Safety Transit

618-453-2212

### **Carbondale Resources**

Carbondale Police

618-457-3200

Women's Center

618-529-2324

Memorial Hospital

618-549-0721



### Services Provided

Emergency Response
Training

Report Suspicious Activity

<u>Campus Emergency</u> <u>Response Checklist</u>

Night Safety Transit

Campus Map

Parking Map

Daily Crime Log

FOIA Request Form

SIU Campus Crime Report

Safety Awareness Facts and Educations

**Housing Personal Safety** 

### **WEATHER PREPAREDNESS 101**

Winter weather is upon us, and living in Illinois brings with it various weather patterns. It is not unlikely to have seasonably warm days in January, followed by heavy rain, and possible tornados. Did I mention ice and snow tend to fall during the first few month of the new year? So what do all the weather words the forecasters use mean. . .

### **WARNING**

A warning is issued when a hazardous weather event is occurring, imminent or likely to occur. A warning means weather conditions pose a threat to life or property. Those in the path of the storm need to take protective actions.

### **WATCH**

A watch is when the risk of a hazardous weather event has increased significantly, but its occurrence, location or timing is still uncertain. A watch means the weather is possible, and people in the path should have a plan of action in case the storm threatens their locations.

### **ADVISORY**

An advisory is issued when a hazardous weather event is occurring, imminent or likely to occur. Advisories are issued for less serious conditions than warnings, these events may cause a significant inconvenience on those in the path. Caution should still be taken.

### **OUTLOOK**

An outlook is issued when a hazardous weather event is possible in the next week. Outlooks are intended to raise awareness of the potential for significant weather.

### February Calendar

Grad Bash '17 February 1

2:00pm-4:00pm Student Center

Men's Basketball

February 1—7:00pm Arena

Women's Basketball

February 3—6:00pm Arena

Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Conference

February 10—9:00am Student Center

> Spring Break March 11-19

### TAX TIME ALERT

Although it is early, the Offices of Information Technology (OIT) and Human Resources (HR) want to raise awareness among faculty, staff, and student employees about the potential for email tax scams.

As we move into tax season, you may start receiving emails claiming to be from SIU Carbondale HR, the State of Illinois, your department, or even the IRS. Be very skeptical if you receive this type of correspondence by email—and equally cautious when dealing with it.

You should first know that SIU Carbondale, the State of Illinois, and the Internal Revenue Service will never send you an email requesting your personal information. Typical red flags for scam email are that it is an unexpected email; you don't recognize the sender or the sender's address looks suspicious; the email urges you to respond or act quickly; you are not addressed by name; the email contains no contact information; the email contains typos or oddly worded sentences; or the email asks you to click on a link or copy and paste an address into the address bar. Be wise and be safe—do not respond and delete the email.

To keep the campus community informed, OIT Security maintains a <u>list of known scams</u>; however, the list is not a complete list of all scams that may be circulating. If you are in doubt, send questionable emails to <u>OIT Security</u>.

For questions that pertain to SIU Carbondale employment or payroll issues and W-2s form you can contact the Human Resource-Payroll Office at (618) 536-3369, visit the <u>Human Resources</u> website, or access the <u>Human Resources Self Service system</u> online.

A Message from Information Technology and Human Resources



### **Meet Your Liaison!**

Mae Smith– Ofc. Dintelman
Schneider– Ofc. Allen
Neely– Ofc. Borum, Ofc. Presley
U. Hall– Ofc. Pyatt, Cpl. Cunico
Saluki Athletics– Ofc. Harrell
RSO– Ofc. Closson
Trueblood– Cpl. Street

Morris Library– Ofc. Stark Student Center– Ofc. Bryant

Lentz-Ofc. Followell

Recreation Center-Ofc. Dozier

Evergreen Terrace- Ofc. Schnicker

Wall & Grand– Ofc. Sneed, Ofc. Emery

Bailey, Baldwin, Abbott, Smith, Warren, & Kellogg– Ofc. Smithpeters, Ofc. Tuthill, Cpl. Murphy

Felts, Brown, Steagall, Bowyer, Pierce– Ofc. Rafe, Cpl. Murphy

For more information on your Liaison Officers, click <u>here.</u>

### CRIME OR INCIDENT REPORTING

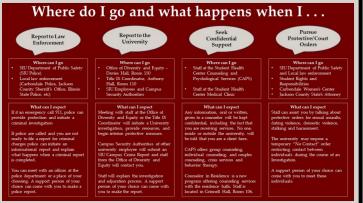
There are several reporting options available for victims of crime. Criminal incidents including, but not limited to theft, burglary and drug or alcohol use should be reported to law enforcement. For incidents of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking, individuals have additional reporting options.

If it's an emergency, dial 911 for immediate assistance and view the quick reference guide.

Some individuals may pursue justice though the legal system, while others are interested in personal restoration. The options for reporting sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking are available at any time, although reporting is encouraged as soon as possible following an incident. You are not required to select just one option – you may

choose multiple options because each option may offer a different type of resolution. The links below will help to identify the options that best meet your needs.

- 1. Report to Law Enforcement
- 2. Report to the University
- 3. <u>Seek Confidential Support</u>



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The Administration at the Department of Public Safety would like to congratulate DPS employees who were recognized during the annual awards ceremony on December 15, 2016.

*Meritorious Service Awards*Detective Renee Eberhard

Lifesaving Awards
Corporal Carrie Keith
Officer Brittany Schnicker

Community Service Awards
Lieutenant Ryan House
Sergeant Allan Willmore
Officer Kevin Cox
Officer Molly Pyatt

*Director's Award*Dr. Jon Shaffer, Director of Housing

Excellent Service Awards
Lieutenant John T. Allen
Sergeant Jason Russell
Corporal Brian Murphy
Detective Dustin Borum
Officer Matthew Smithpeters
Officer Michael Allen
Officer Lee Nguyen
Samuel Bates
Andrew Weisburd

## Hours of Operation

Monday 8:30pm—12:30am

**Tuesday** 8:00pm—12:00am

**Wednesday** 8:00pm—12:00am

Thursday 8:00pm—12:00am Friday 8:30pm—12:30am

**Saturday** 5:30pm—9:30pm



**DPS: 618-453-3771** 

## SIU SAFE WALK

The Department of Public Safety has developed a mobile app to assist students, faculty and staff with the opportunity to walk to various locations on campus with an escort.

The SIU Safe Walk app is available free through your app store.

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Saluki Patrol will meet the person requesting the walk at the designated start location and time. SIU Safe Walk does not operate during break periods or times when the University is closed.

Fill out the form completely and submit it to request a walk escort.

Name:

DAWG (numbers only):

Email:

Phone number (numbers only):

Douglas Dr

SIU Department of Public Safety. In an emergency call 911.

SIU Safe Walk

police.siu.edu/safewalk