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# WINTER BREAK

**RESIDENCE HALLS WILL CLOSE AT 2 P.M. on SATURDAY, DEC. 15, 2018**

## Additional Dates of Interest:

**Sunday, December 9, 2018**

8:00pm—24 Hour Quiet Hours start and last until buildings close.

**Friday, December 14, 2018**

Lentz Dining Hall will close at 6:30 p.m.

Lentz Computer Lab will close at 5 p.m.



## **BREAK HOUSING**

Break Housing will be offered on an as-needed basis; as always, Wall & Grand, Evergreen Terrace, and Elizabeth Street Apartments do not close during Winter Break

Residents must sign up for break housing in the Lentz Area Office by Friday, December 7th at 4:00pm

**RESIDENCE HALLS WILL OPEN AT 9 A.M. on SATURDAY, JAN. 12, 2019**

## SIU Campus Resources

### [SIU Police](#)

618-453-3771

### [Parking Division](#)

618-453-5369

### [Counseling Center](#)

618-453-5371

### [Wellness Center](#)

618-536-4441

### [Student Health Services](#)

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

## SAFETY ONLINE

The Internet was built for sharing, not for anonymity or security. Be familiar with each website's privacy and security settings. There are billions of people online but, how many of them do you want to know where you live, where you work, or who your family and friends are. You can try and maintain a degree of privacy, but ultimately what you do online is similar to what you do in public like driving in your car or walking through campus. Below are some tips for staying safe online:

- ⇒ Do not to post anything you would not be comfortable explaining in the future.
- ⇒ Keep personal and work/organization/department accounts separate. Use separate email addresses, phone numbers, and devices, if possible.
- ⇒ Don't accept friend requests from strangers. When available, use features that limit who may send a friend request or see your profile.
- ⇒ Use two-factor authentication whenever possible.
- ⇒ Don't post your travel plans where people who want to find you (e.g. stalkers) or people who want to avoid you (e.g. burglars) will see them.
- ⇒ Don't identify where you work on a personal account: your friends and family already know, and strangers don't need to know.

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- 12/05 – Men’s Basketball vs. St. Louis Univ.  
SIU Arena @ 7 P.M.
- 12/07 – Women’s Basketball vs. Northern Illinois  
SIU Arena @ 7 P.M.
- 12/08 – Track & Field Event  
Saluki Fast Start  
SIU Rec Center @ 10 A.M.
- 12/08 – Women’s Basketball vs. Eastern Illinois  
SIU Arena @ 3:30 P.M.
- 12/12 – Men’s Basketball vs. Murray State.  
SIU Arena @ 7 P.M.
- 12/21 – Women’s Basketball vs. IUPIU  
SIU Arena @ 2 P.M.
- 12/22 – Men’s Basketball vs. Winthrop Univ.  
SIU Arena @ 3 P.M.
- 12/25 Merry Christmas!

# Credit Card Fraud

With the holiday season fast approaching, people are shopping for those perfect gifts for all of the loved ones in our lives. As technology advances and changes, not only do shoppers tend to utilize online shopping more, but thieves are finding easier ways to steal your credit and debit card information.

As an informed credit or debit card holder, always be alert for skimming devices that may be placed on gas pumps, ATMS, and other locations where you swipe your card. A skimming device is a detachable card reader that may be difficult to distinguish between the actual card reader. Once a consumer or cardholder places their credit or debit card inside of the skimming device, their personal banking information, credit/debit card information, and PIN number becomes compromised. This means that the thief may have all of that information and will utilize it for his or her fraudulent purposes. When utilizing any type of card reader, look for signs of tampering on the machine including, but not limited to, glue or scuff marks near the card reader or where a user would type in their PIN number. If you question whether or not a skimming device is attached to the machine, **use a different** ATM, gas pump, etc., and contact local law enforcement.



In addition to being able to recognize skimming devices, cardholders should also be leery of utilizing facilities that offer free Wi-Fi access for personal banking purposes or online shopping. Open Wi-Fi access offers hackers and credit card thieves a much easier avenue for stealing other users’ personal information, even if the site has a lock or “https” in the URL.

Cardholders and consumers should use common sense when they receive e-mail messages or alerts that instruct the receiver to follow a link and enter personal information. Many times, these are phishing messages, which are fraudulent messages utilized for the sole purposes of stealing sensitive information, such as usernames, passwords, banking information, etc. When you are unsure about whether a message or e-mail is a phishing message, call the source directly (ex: if you receive an e-mail from your financial institution, call the bank directly) or close out all tabs and utilize the secure log-in from the appropriate website. Do not click on any attached links and enter in sensitive information!

Lastly, cardholders and consumers should be aware of their rights and responsibilities as a cardholder of the appropriate financial institution. Many companies offer fraud protection for little or no cost to the cardholder. Make sure you are utilizing all available benefits to ensure you are protected from credit card and/or identity theft.

For more information regarding credit card fraud, visit <https://www.bankrate.com/credit-cards/credit-card-fraud/>.



### Additional Resources

[Office of Equity and Compliance](#)

618-453-4807

[Dean of Students](#)

618-453-2461

[Student Rights and Responsibilities](#)

618-536-2338

[Saluki Cares](#)

618-536-2338

[Salukis on Your Side](#)

618-453-3311

[Veteran Services](#)

618-453-1335

[The Clinical Center](#)

618-453-2361

### Meet The SIU Police



Sgt. Geittmann – Day Shift Patrol Sergeant

# Winter Break Theft Prevention

With the end of the semester quickly approaching, students living within residence halls should be aware of the upcoming winter break closure dates. The residence halls will close at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, December 15, 2018, and will reopen at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, January 12, 2019.

As many people know, with the majority of students returning to their hometowns during the winter break, thefts and burglaries tend to increase this time of year. Please remember to take all items you will need during break. Students will not be permitted back into the buildings during winter break. In addition, take your valuable possessions home with you. If you cannot pack your valuable items, make sure to have a list of your possessions and all relevant information (make, model, color, serial number, etc.) Housing and the Department of Public Safety have partnered up to create a [web-based form](#) for students to utilize when recording this pertinent information.

Lastly, in order to maintain the security of your remaining possessions, make sure all doors and windows are locked prior to leaving campus. This includes the connecting door between the resident's room and his or her restroom.



## Have a safe and happy winter break!

December is a great time to unclutter your life! Do you have any unused or extra items that you would be willing to donate to others in need? If so, check out some local charity events:

- ⇒ [Carbondale Police Department, SIU Police & Saluki Athletics Children's Coat Drive](#)
- ⇒ Donate unwanted items at [The Women's Center](#)
- ⇒ Donate toys for children in the community at the [Toys for Tots Distribution Hub](#) at 602 1/2 E. College Street, Carbondale IL.

[Reporting Crimes/ Incidents?](#)

Option 1- Report to the University

When a report is made to the University, you have the option of addressing the incident under the University's policies and Student Conduct Code. The University will provide any available interim protective measures such as academic accommodations, changes to housing, and changes to class or work schedules. The University will initiate an investigation regardless of where the incident occurred. University reports can be made to any SIU Employee, any SIU Campus Security Authority, The Office of Equity and Compliance, Title IX Coordinator, or Student Rights and Responsibilities. To complete a report, click [here](#).

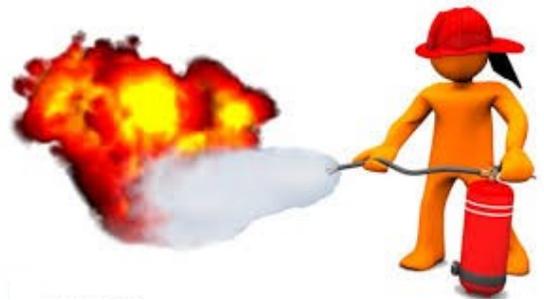
Option 2- Report to Law Enforcement

*Incidents on SIU Campus:* If it's an emergency, call 911. For non-emergency incidents, call the SIU Department of Public Safety, 618-453-3771. Reporting crimes and emergencies to the Department of Public Safety will generate a law enforcement response and investigation. The Department will notify the necessary University staff of the incident. *Incidents within Carbondale:* If it's an emergency, call 911, for non-emergency incidents call the Carbondale Police Department, 618-457-3200. Reporting crimes and emergencies to the Carbondale Police will generate a law enforcement response and investigation. Carbondale Police works closely with the SIU Department of Public Safety and the University, with reports being forwarded to the necessary University staff of the incident.



Did you know in the event of a fire, you may have just two minutes to escape? With cooler temperatures, people are spending more time indoors, increasing the potential for a fire. To help protect yourself and your family, follow the tips below to ensure that you are taking all safety precautions against fire hazards:

- ⊗ Identify and remove fire hazards
- ⊗ Test your smoke detectors monthly
- ⊗ Change the batteries of your smoke detectors, as needed
- ⊗ Be sure fire extinguishers are in proper working condition
- ⊗ Know the proper way to use a fire extinguisher
- ⊗ Create two fire escape plans & practice them
- ⊗ If there is a fire, GET OUT & STAY OUT
- ⊗ Call 9-1-1 for all fire emergencies



**IF THERE IS A FIRE ANYWHERE ON CAMPUS, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MUST BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY!!!**

Is your emergency kit ready and available? Make sure you have an emergency kit available in both your vehicle and at home. Here are some items you may consider putting in your kit:

- ◆ Water & food
- ◆ Battery-powered radio & extra batteries
- ◆ First aid kit
- ◆ Flashlight
- ◆ Multi-purpose tool
- ◆ Whistle
- ◆ Moist towelettes
- ◆ Cell phone w/ charger
- ◆ Blankets

**EMERGENCY KITS**