# The Saluki Watch Dawg

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# **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

Saluki Night Shuttle

618-549-0304

Carbondale Resources

**Carbondale** Police

618-457-3200

Memorial Hospital

618-549-0721



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Spring break is a time for students to relax and escape the everyday grind of college, but it has also become notorious for traveling to party spots and engaging in risky behaviors. Make this year's spring break memorable by having fun and helping yourself, your friends, and others stay safe and healthy. Remember you can be held responsible at SIU for what happens on Spring Break.

DON'T PUT YOURSELF AT RISK

-Follow the local laws of your destination

-Be aware of your surroundings, do not travel alone, and avoid dark, isolated areas -Always keep hotel and balcony doors locked.

-Choose a hotel room between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> floors for security and fire safety reasons.

-Remember to bring prescriptions in their original labeled containers with your name.

-Designate a driver before going, or put money aside for a cab.

-Decide as a group what your plans are: If you leave as a group, come home as a group. DON'T LEAVE ANYONE BEHIND!!

# 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:

- $\Rightarrow$  Do not to post anything you would not be comfortable explaining in the future.
- $\Rightarrow$  Keep personal and work/organization/department accounts separate. Use separate email addresses, phone numbers, and devices, if possible.
- $\Rightarrow$  Don't accept friend requests from strangers. When available, use features that limit who may send a friend request or see your profile.
- $\Rightarrow$  Use two-factor authentication whenever possible.
- $\Rightarrow$  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.
- $\Rightarrow$  Don't identify where you work on a personal account: your friends and family already know, and strangers don't need to know.

CARBONDA

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#### SIU Department of Public Safety

## **WEATHER PREPAREDNESS 101**

March Calendar

March 8-15 SPRING BREAK

March 9 1:00 PM Men's Baseball vs Bellarmine

March 18th 6:00 PM Men's Baseball vs Western IL

March 26th 6:00 PM. Men's Baseball vs UT Martin

March 16<sup>th</sup> 12:00 P.M. Softball vs. Illinois State 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.

# TAX SEASON IS UPON US...

Filing taxes is a real-world wake up call. As a student, do you know when to file a tax return and what deductions and credits are available to you? **1. What if you attend school outside your home state?** 

# Are you interested in having DPS conduct an educational crime prevention program?

DPS offers several educational crime prevention programs and safety services to the campus and surrounding communities. To inquire about a program or to schedule one, please contact CPL. Tuthill or LT. Carrie Keith at 453-3771 Your federal tax return should be filed with the IRS based on your permanent address. State taxes are a different story and you need to check your local state tax code to determine if you must file a return.

2. Do you have to pay taxes on a scholarship?

DPS offers several educational crime prevention programs and safety services to the cam- wages on the W-2.

3. Are there any tax breaks?

*The American Opportunity Tax Credit is good for the first two years of college and can be claimed twice per student. This tax savings offers up to \$1,500 in savings.* 

4. When is my tax return due and what records do I keep?

*Federal returns are due April 15, state deadlines vary. You should keep all your receipts for tuition and books, scholarship information, financial aid, and any proof of enrollment.* 

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# 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

<u>Veteran Services</u> 618-453-1335

The Clinical Center 618-453-2361

# Meet An Officer



**Detective Justin Emery** 



The Southern Illinois University Carbondale Department of Public Safety (DPS) is a Community Policing and Problem Solving Agency that provides comprehensive public safety services. Personnel establish and maintain trust-based relationships with University faculty, students, staff and the broader community. Department personnel foster partnerships with the community and other law enforcement agencies. Personnel focus on preventing crime and improving quality of life.

Please Let us know how we are doing!

Click on the link below to fill out our 2025 Community Survey.

Survey Monkey



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about federal hazing legislation, go to: www,stophazing.org/policy

WANT TO LEARN MORE? GO TO STOPHAZING.ORG

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conduct. Reach out to your institution to find out what policies they have in place and how to report hazing.

> STOP HAZING