

Dear SIU Carbondale Retirees:

Congratulations on your retirement. On behalf of our faculty, staff and students, please accept my thanks for your years of dedicated service. We have all benefited from your commitment to accessibility and opportunity, to student success, and to advancing our culture of excellence.

Thank you for your energy and loyalty, and for being such passionate advocates for all of those who want to learn. You have made a lasting, positive difference in the lives of thousands of students, fellow employees, and our many friends and neighbors in the communities we serve.

We encourage you to utilize the services described in this brochure, and thank you for your continued support of the University.

We are pleased to present each retiree with:

- A Certificate of Service, generally awarded at the ceremony honoring those who retire within a given year;
- An emeritus identification card, to use as needed to receive services and privileges granted by the University to retirees.

Congratulations again on this significant achievement.

Sincerely,

Rita Cheng  
Chancellor

#### *Associations*

#### **State Universities Annuitants Association and Foundation-Springfield (SUAA)**

SUAA's purpose is to monitor/lobby the state legislators to protect/strengthen the State Universities Retirement System (SURS) pension program for the welfare of its members – the retirees of the state universities and community colleges. It protects pension funding and supports legislative action favorable to annuitants. SUAA membership is available through the SIUC Emeritus and Annuitant Association. For more information, call 217-523-4040, visit their website [www.suaa.org](http://www.suaa.org), or write to the State Universities Annuitants Association, 217 E. Monroe Suite 100 Springfield, IL 62701.

#### **SIU Carbondale Annuitant Association**

The Annuitant Association is the local SUAA chapter. Dues of \$31 include state-level membership dues (\$25) which are sent to SUAA to protect pension funding and to support legislation favorable to annuitants. The remaining \$6 is used to support local chapter activities. Membership is open to retirees/spouses and current employees.

The Annuitant Association offers educational, social and service opportunities. In addition to two general luncheon meetings (spring and fall), it sponsors several social activities and supports volunteer projects (i.e. blood drives each year, scholarship fund-raising activities). The Association is represented by members serving on the Civil Service Council, A/P Council, Joint Benefits Committee, Faculty Senate and Graduate Council. Activities also include an Emeritus Lecture Series. For more information, call or write to the SIU Carbondale Annuitant Association, c/o Human Resources, Mail code 6520, Carbondale, IL 62901-6525, 618-453-6689.

#### **SIU Alumni Association**

You're invited to join the SIU Alumni Association which provides opportunities to network with fellow Salukis, members and friends of SIU.

Members receive Southern Alumni magazine, a quarterly publication featuring stories about SIU: research, student accomplishments, athletic and alumni news, and more. Members enjoy the Advantages Program which provides an opportunity of savings that includes local and national discounts at hundreds of retailers, access to research archives like JSTOR, and Morris Library and the alumni travel program.

Annual membership is \$40 for an individual and \$60 for two. Looking for a longer commitment? You may choose a three year or life membership option.

For more information, please stop by our office located in Colyer Hall, call us at 618-453-2408, or visit us online at [www.siualumni.com](http://www.siualumni.com). Together we are unstoppable.

#### *Benefits and Services*

#### **Human Resources-Employee Benefits**

Retirees should feel free to call the Employee Benefits office at 618-453-6668 with general questions regarding the State of Illinois' health, life, vision, and dental insurance plans. The Employee Benefits office is located at 1255 Douglas Drive Miles Hall, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Questions regarding insurance premium deductions from the monthly annuity check, plan enrollment records, beneficiary changes, tax changes, and other issues must be directed to SURS at 1-800-275-7877.

Please visit these websites for more information:  
Human Resources – <http://www.hr.siu.edu>  
State Universities Retirement System – <http://www.surs.com>

#### **Educational Benefits**

Retirees may enroll in credit courses, or may audit courses, offered by the University. A tuition waiver benefit is extended to retirees. The procedure for registration is the same as is followed by active personnel. A 50% waiver of undergraduate tuition may be extended to eligible children of 7-year employees of SIU who have retired. Either of these waivers may be used only within the Southern Illinois University system. For additional information, contact Employee Records, 1255 Douglas Drive Miles Hall., Carbondale, IL 62901, or call 618-453-6698.

#### **University Club**

The University Club encourages social interaction within the SIU Carbondale community. The Club offers social hours and other events for members and their guests. The Club is open to employees and retirees. For more information, contact Roland Person, the University Club, at 618-457-8658 or email [rpers@siu.edu](mailto:rpers@siu.edu).

#### **Student Health Center**

Retirees may use the Student Health Center to obtain consultation and immunizations for travel to foreign countries on a fee for service basis. Optical services are available at the Marion Eye Center's satellite office. For further information, call 618-453-3311.

#### **Notary Service**

Notary services are available through the Office of General Counsel, Room 318, Anthony Hall, or Employee Benefits, 1255 Douglas Drive, Miles Hall

#### **Daily Egyptian**

A mail subscription to the Daily Egyptian is available to retirees at \$110 per year. For further information, please call 618-536-3311.

## **Parking**

Retirees having 20 or more years of service at Southern Illinois University Carbondale are eligible to be issued up to two free gold parking decals, if they have not previously been issued them by Parking Division and no one else in the home is affiliated with the University. If you wish to purchase additional gold parking decal(s), the cost is \$11 per decal. If you wish to replace an existing gold parking decal, the cost is \$5 if the parking decal scraps are returned, \$11 if not returned.

The gold parking decal has the same parking privileges as a blue decal. Please note, you may not park at 1) metered spaces signed as "Visitors Only", 2) other metered parking spaces without paying the meter, 3) those spaces designated for the Clinical Center patients, or 4) spaces, areas or lots designated as Assigned, Restricted or Reserved. You may park in all red, blue, green overnight and yellow parking spaces except as noted above. Please, also display your valid state disabled hangtag or license plate if you require parking services in a handicapped designated space.

## **Student Center:**

The Student Center Emeritus Courtesy Card entitles you to these benefits:

- 10% discount on all cash sales in the Old Main Restaurant, Marketplace Food Court outlets, and McDonald's.
- 10% discount in the University Bookstore on reference books, supplies, clothing, and gift items. Please note that special orders, computer software, and textbooks are not discounted.
- Access to the Craft Shop and Wood Shop facilities at no cost (materials and workshops extra.)
- Special rates at the Student Center's Bowling and Billiards Center.
- Free fax service at the Information Station "Fast Fax" for domestic transmissions.

For additional information, call 618-536-3351 or visit the Student Center web page at

[www.siucstudentcenter.org](http://www.siucstudentcenter.org).

## **SIU Credit Union**

The SIU Credit Union offers an emeritus checking account to retirees age 55 and older. This is an interest-bearing checking account with no minimum balance required and no service charge. Fifty dollars is required to open an emeritus checking account and a \$5 deposit to a membership share account if you are not currently a member of the SIU Credit Union. Individuals with emeritus checking accounts may also obtain money orders and cashier's checks with no service charge and a free VISA Check Card which gives 24-hours a day access to your account via ATMs and VISA merchants. Free Internet Home Banking with bill pay is also available.

The SIU Credit Union in Carbondale is located at 1217 W. Main St. and 395 N. Giant City Road, in Marion at 2809 Outer Drive, in Energy at 300 S. Pershing and in Metropolis at 704 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The phone number is 618-457-3595 or 800-449-7301 and the website is [www.siucu.org](http://www.siucu.org) Member NCUA.

## **Student Recreation Center**

Retirees and their spouses or domestic partners may purchase a special emeritus membership on a semester or annual basis at a discount. There is also the option to purchase an annual membership on a monthly basis through automatic bank payment. Locker and towel services are also available. There are programs specifically designed for active adults and emeritus. For program information, personal trainer services and building hours, call (618) 453-1277 or go to the Student Recreation Center's website at [reccenter.siu.edu](http://reccenter.siu.edu).

## **University Directory**

Retirees continue to be listed in the University Directory with their emeritus status.

## **Library**

Library privileges and use of the facilities are extended to all retirees and their spouses or domestic partners. For additional information call 618-453-1455.

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# Retirement Services Guide

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**A guide to services,  
facilities and benefits for  
retired employees  
of Southern Illinois  
University Carbondale**

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