Apply to the university beginning June 1.
Beginning Oct. 1, complete a FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov. SIU Carbondale’s school code is 001758. Some students are selected for verification. The SIU Financial Aid Office will contact you if more information is needed.
Complete the General Scholarship Application at scholarships.siu.edu by Dec. 1.

The Financial Aid Office (FAO) at Southern Illinois University Carbondale assists students by awarding financial aid to help pay for post-secondary education. Financial aid is awarded from federal, state, institutional and private sources in the form of grants, scholarships, loans and student employment. Financial aid is available to students with financial need and those without need. A financial aid application (FAFSA) should be submitted to determine eligibility for the various financial aid programs.
## AIM HIGH!

The Illinois AIM HIGH grant program is an initiative of the General Assembly’s Higher Education Working Group, and it is intended to help four-year universities enroll and retain talented and high-achieving Illinois students by providing grants directly to students.

To qualify for AIM HIGH funds, students must:
- Be a resident of Illinois and graduated from an Illinois high school
- Be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident
- Complete a FAFSA and have a household income that does not exceed six times the poverty rate
- Meet full admissions criteria
- Be enrolled as a full-time student (at least 12 hrs) in a baccalaureate degree program

Freshman AIM High Award
- $2,500 per year, for up to 4 years
- Academic criteria: 24 ACT/1160 SAT and a 3.5 high school GPA.

This award may be stacked with the SIU Dean’s Scholarship or the University Excellence Award.

Award recipients must be a new first-time student starting Fall 2021.

Saluki Scholars AIM High Award
- $2,000 per year, for up to 4 years for new freshmen or 3 years for transfer students
- New freshman academic criteria: 18-23 ACT/960-1150 SAT and 3.0+ high school GPA

New transfer academic criteria: Minimum 30 credit hrs and 3.25-3.49 transfer GPA

[siu.edu/aimhigh](http://siu.edu/aimhigh)

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## FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

New freshmen applicants must be admitted to the university to be considered for our academic scholarships. Freshmen awards are based upon a holistic review of the qualifying credentials submitted at the time of applying for admission. [scholarships.siu.edu](http://scholarships.siu.edu)

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<td><strong>DEAN’S SCHOLARSHIP</strong></td>
<td>Admitted to SIU&lt;br&gt;Must have at least a 24 ACT or 1160 SAT to be reviewed&lt;br&gt;Successful applicants typically have at least a 3.5 high school GPA</td>
<td>$4,000-$6,000/year for four years Total value of $16,000-$24,000</td>
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<td><strong>UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP</strong></td>
<td>To be invited to apply, typical applicants have at least a 24 ACT or 1300 SAT and 3.5 high school GPA</td>
<td>$9,500/year for four years Total value of $38,000</td>
<td>Complete undergraduate admission application, including high school transcript and test score, submitted to SIU Undergraduate Admissions by Nov. 1</td>
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<td><strong>CHANCELLOR’S SCHOLARSHIP</strong></td>
<td>Demonstrate leadership skills and service to their community&lt;br&gt;Selection is competitive</td>
<td>Covers tuition, mandatory fees, room and board for a total of four years Total value of more than $102,000</td>
<td>Scholarship interview at SIU: Feb. 5-6, 2021</td>
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## TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

To be considered for the greatest number of scholarships, including departmental scholarships, students must first be admitted to the university, then should complete the General Scholarship Application by December 1. Transfer students are encouraged to complete the General Scholarship Application one year in advance of their term of entry. Most scholarships—including university-wide, merit-based awards—are awarded only to fall-entry students. [scholarships.siu.edu](http://scholarships.siu.edu)

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<td><strong>DEAN’S TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP</strong></td>
<td>3.5 transfer GPA&lt;br&gt;Completed 30 transferable credit hours</td>
<td>$4,000/year for two years Total value of $8,000</td>
<td>Awarding begins July 2020 for those entering 2021-22</td>
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<td><strong>PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP</strong></td>
<td>Receive a Dean’s Transfer Scholarship offer&lt;br&gt;Member of PTK for at least one academic year</td>
<td>$3,000 one-time award (five awarded each year)</td>
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## COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

To compete for the Transfer Achievement and Provost’s Scholarships, students must submit a Transfer Scholars Program Application, found within your General Scholarship Application Account, and complete an interview at SIU during Transfer Scholarship Interview Day.

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<td><strong>TRANSFER ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP</strong></td>
<td>3.5 transfer GPA&lt;br&gt;Scheduled to earn an associate’s degree from a regionally accredited community college before enrolling at SIU</td>
<td>$8,000/year for two years Total value of $16,000</td>
<td>Admitted to SIU: Feb. 1, 2021 SIU Transfer Scholars Program Application submitted by Feb. 22, 2021</td>
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<td>$16,000</td>
<td>Complete the scholarship interview at SIU: March 29, 2021</td>
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## COLLEGE & DEPARTMENTAL SCHOLARSHIPS

More than 600 scholarship opportunities are available to specific majors through SIU departments and colleges. Also, check out our Alumni Association scholarships! Do not assume you don’t qualify. Complete the SIU General Scholarship Application at [scholarships.siu.edu](http://scholarships.siu.edu).
## IMPORTANT DATES

### SEPTEMBER
General Scholarship Application is open. Visit scholarships.siu.edu to apply.

### OCTOBER
1. The 2021-22 FAFSA is available to submit online.

### NOVEMBER
1. A complete application for undergraduate admission must be submitted, including all required credentials and documents, to be considered for the University Excellence Scholarship and Chancellor’s Scholarship.

### DECEMBER
1. General Scholarship Application Priority Deadline.

### FEBRUARY
5-6. Freshman Scholarship Interview Weekend.

### MARCH
29. Transfer Scholarship Interview Day.

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### SIZE
- **13-to-1** student to faculty ratio.
- 60% of classes have 19 or fewer students.

### SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS
- **$140 million** annually
  - More than 1,500 incoming students each year are awarded scholarships.
  - More than 600 scholarship opportunities.

### FACULTY
- 83% of our instructional faculty are full-time teachers.
- 72% of our full-time instructional faculty have a doctorate or other terminal degree.

### STUDENTS
- 11,695 students from nearly every state.
- 35% of undergraduates are minority students.

### ACADEMICS
- More than 200 programs.
- 20 professional schools: Law and Medicine.

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More than 90 percent of our students receive some form of financial aid, with gift aid — scholarships, grants and waivers (that’s the kind you don’t have to pay back) — topping the chart. Students also have a variety of student employment options, as well as a variety of loan options.
MORE ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM
Engaging seminar classes on specialized topics are the heart of the UHP. These classes, specially created by outstanding faculty, constitute a small liberal arts college experience within a comprehensive research university environment – the best of both worlds!

Benefits of being an honors student:
- Early registration for full academic schedule every semester.
- Streamlined access to campus research scholarships and national competitive scholarships.
- Extended checkout privileges at Morris Library.
- Building friendships in two dynamic Living Learning Communities.

Applications and more information at honors.siu.edu.

SALUKIS ABROAD OR STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS
Study abroad. Research abroad. Intern abroad. These are all possibilities for SIU students, and your SIU scholarships may help you cover costs! We offer opportunities in more than 50 countries, with options ranging from two weeks up to an academic year. International experience sharpens your communication and intercultural skills as well as deepens your knowledge in your major. The credits can transfer back in a variety of ways. Every student can include at least a short-term program into their degree without delaying graduation. Learn more at cie.siu.edu/sa/.

ON-CAMPUS LIVING
Learning happens in all areas of campus, including the residence halls. Living Learning Communities (LLCs) encourage the personal development and academic success of our residents. These LLCs offer students the chance to live with other students who share the same major or majors within the same college, or with whom they have something in common. LLCs give students the opportunity to meet and interact with other students, as well as faculty and staff.

In addition to LLCs, on-campus living gives you access to more than 2,000 programs, and to leadership opportunities with registered student organizations.

Learn more about living on campus and important contract dates at housing.siu.edu.