DATES & DEADLINES

November 6
Deadline to make initial submission of Research Paper, Thesis, or Dissertation for December 2020 graduation. (Required!)

November 10
Graduate School November payroll deadline.

November 13
Deadline to make final submission of Research Paper, Thesis, or Dissertation for December 2020 graduation. (Required!)

November 15
Deadline for receipt of Graduate School Tuition Scholarship Applications for Spring Semester 2021.

November 20
Last day to add a full-term course with instructor approval through the Graduate Registration Office.

Graduate School’s Anti-Racist Learning Group

A new professional development event, called the Anti-Racist Learning Group has been created and organized by Dr. Rose Moroz, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School. The Graduate School posted an Anti-Racist Message on its website over the summer, and in that message we pledged to bring unconscious bias awareness and education into our meetings and workshops. This learning group is one way for us to make this pledge a reality.

In the event, interested graduate students will come together with Graduate School staff to watch online speeches/panel discussions etc., discuss and share reactions, to learn about racism and how to be anti-racist and work toward eradicating systemic racism, everywhere but especially here at SIUC.

The group will meet weekly from October 15 until November 19, via Microsoft Teams, on Thursdays, 5:00 - 6:00 pm.

All SIUC graduate students are welcome to participate. Interested students may contact Dr. Moroz at rmtmoroz@siu.edu.
SIU awards several different types of fellowships to its most outstanding students. Every fall semester the Graduate School hosts an annual Assembly of Fellows reception and award ceremony honoring the newly awarded fellows for that academic year. This year was unique due to COVID-19 and we were unable to host the event in person as we normally would but we still wanted to honor the fellows, so we held a virtual TEAMS event where the PROVOST, OVCR, and Graduate School Dean recognized the fellows. They were presented with their certificates and members of their department were in attendance to congratulate them on their achievements. This year we recognized close to 100 fellows.

These include: Delyte and Dorothy Morris Doctoral Fellowships, Doctoral Fellowships, Master’s Fellowships, PROMPT (Proactive Recruitment of Multicultural Professionals for Tomorrow) Assistantships, Graduate Dean’s Fellowships, Dissertation Research Assistantships, the Richard and Donna Falvo Outstanding Dissertation Award, and the Outstanding Thesis Award. In addition, the State of Illinois funds Diversifying Faculty in Illinois (DFI) Fellowships.

Fellowship Competition Planning
With the spring 2021 semester beginning on January 19th instead of January 11th, please be advised that the deadlines for each Fellowship remain the same as set before:

- Morris - due Friday, January 15th by 4pm
- Doctoral - due Friday, January 15th by 4pm
- Master’s - due Friday, January 22nd by 4pm
- Graduate Dean’s - due Friday, January 22nd by 4pm
- PROMPT - due Friday, January 22nd by 4pm

Considering that spring semester will be starting a week later than originally planned, please play very close attention to those deadlines and plan accordingly if you are a department that is planning to submit nominations.

Each of the five Fellowships have different eligibility criteria so please review each carefully. You can find all the information for each Fellowship on the Graduate School website at https://gradschool.siu.edu/cost-aid/fellowships/.
P.E.O. Scholar Awards

Chapter KL (Carbondale, IL) of P.E.O. International is to give an award that funds female Ph.D. students $25,000 for a year. The eligibility requirements are below.

To be eligible for a P.E.O. Scholar Award, a candidate must meet the following requirements:

- be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States or Canada
- have earned, at minimum, a bachelor’s degree
- be within two years of graduating from a doctoral program and have at least one full academic year of work remaining in August of the year you are awarded
- be enrolled in full-time doctoral-level study at an accredited U.S. or Canadian post-secondary institution during the entire academic year of the award

More information about this award is available at https://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-scholar-awards.

About the P.E.O. Scholar Awards

The P.E.O. Scholar Awards (PSA) program was established in 1991 to provide substantial merit-based awards for women of the United States and Canada who are pursuing a doctoral level degree at an accredited college or university.

Multi-factor authentication is coming

—If you don’t enroll you will lose access …

This message is critical for all SIU students (as well as faculty and staff). Multi-factor authentication (MFA) is now available.

If you don’t know, multi-factor authentication means that you will sign in with a username and password, and then verify that you are the owner of the credentials by accepting a push notification on your cell phone or mobile device, or by entering a unique passcode generated by an MFA token. Adding MFA verification to the sign-in process dramatically increases security around your credentials and accounts, but maybe more importantly to you, when the opt-in period ends (January 2021), you will lose access to SIU technology systems and services (until you enroll). Lost services include access to email, SalukiNet, D2L, network access, printing on campus, and more.

To avoid this inconvenience, you are strongly urged to enroll now. Information and instructions for MFA enrollment can be found here. Contact SalukiTech for additional help at 618-453-5155 or salukitech@siu.edu.
Collecting Donations for the Saluki Food Pantry

The Graduate School is collecting non-perishable food and toilet paper donations for the Saluki Food Pantry, from October 22 until November 20. Donation boxes are located in the Student Services Building: in the lobby and on the third floor next to the elevator. Cash or check donations can be left at the Graduate School front office.

The Saluki Food Pantry is open this semester on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm and provides food assistance to undergraduate and graduate students. [https://studentcenter.siu.edu/services/saluki-food-pantry.php](https://studentcenter.siu.edu/services/saluki-food-pantry.php)