



SIUE to host NIRSA club soccer regional

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EDWARDSVILLE - Southern Illinois University Edwardsville has been selected as the Region IV North site for the National Intramural and Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) [club soccer championship](#). The tournament will run from October 27-29, with games being held both at Ralph Korte Stadium and the Recreational Sports Complex.

“We are excited to bring this tournament to campus and continue to showcase SIUE to our professional organization,” said Keith Becherer, SIUE director of campus recreation. “It also benefits the local economy as participants and supporters fill hotel rooms, visit restaurants and utilize retail outlets.”

The top eight men’s and women’s teams from NIRSA’s Region IV universities will attempt to qualify for nationals in Phoenix. Teams from Washington University in St. Louis, Saint Louis University, Truman State University, Kansas State University and Missouri State University will be competing.

While SIUE is a member of NIRSA Region III, Cougar club soccer teams play in Region IV because of the greater proximity of teams. SIUE’s men’s and women’s club teams are ranked #2 and #4, respectively, in the East Division of the Kansas-Missouri Soccer League and are automatically qualified to participate in the tournament.

[Southern Illinois University Edwardsville](#) provides students with a high quality, affordable education that prepares them for successful careers and lives of purpose to shape a changing world. Built on the foundation of a broad-based liberal education, and enhanced by hands-on research and real-world experiences, the academic preparation SIUE students receive equips them to thrive in the global marketplace and make our communities better places to live. Situated on 2,660 acres of beautiful woodland atop the bluffs overlooking the natural beauty of the Mississippi River's rich bottomland and only a short drive from downtown St. Louis, the SIUE campus is home to a diverse student body of more than 14,000.