

## SIUE Summer Enrollment Realizes 2% Increase Explosive Graduate Program Growth Fuels Surge

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EDWARDSVILLE – SIUE's summer enrollment is also historically diverse. The University enrolled 709 Black students, the most for a summer session since 1995, and 274 Hispanic students, a record for a summer term. International enrollment also increased by 19% compared to summer 2019.

The enrollment growth was primarily focused on master's and doctoral graduate programs. The development and delivery of a large cadre of new online graduate programs pushed enrollment up 21% over 2019. Overall master's program enrollment was up 22% overall, while doctoral programs increased 20%.

Five of SIUE's six schools offering graduate courses grew. They were led by the new online MBA which helped the School of Business enrollment grow 149 students (62%). The School of Engineering's master's programs gained 27%, and the expanding School of Nursing saw its graduate programs increase by 22%.

Summer enrollment from first-time undergraduate transfers also jumped 20%.

SIUE is still accepting students for the fall 2020 semester, which begins Monday, Aug. 24. For more information, visit siue.edu/apply or call 618-650-3705.

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 13,000.