

College of Arts and Sciences Alumni Hall of Fame Recognition Program

SIUE has produced 80,000 graduates who have earned more than 90,000 degrees, 33% of which are College of Arts and Sciences graduates. Previously, the SIUE Alumni Association recognized a single outstanding alumnus/alumna each year through the Distinguished Alumnus Award Program. The Distinguished Alumnus served as the speaker for the August commencement and his/her name was engraved on a plate which is displayed on the Distinguished Alumnus plaque at Birger Hall.

In an effort to better recognize the outstanding achievements of a growing number of SIUE alumni, a new University-wide Hall of Fame recognition program is being initiated in 2008. The program will broaden the recognition of outstanding alumni and allow all University academic units and their alumni to come together in October to celebrate the achievements of successful SIUE graduates. Induction into the Alumni Hall of Fame is the highest honor bestowed on an alumnus/alumna of SIUE.

Four distinguished alumni of the College of Arts and Sciences will be selected each year including one alumnus/alumna from natural sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities. The Dean's office will make the selections in this first year with a representative from the Alumni Association Board. Next year, the selections will be by a committee comprised of the Assistant CAS Development Director, a member of the Alumni Association board, a student of a CAS discipline and Faculty representing arts, humanities, social sciences, and physical sciences.

The names of CAS Hall of Fame recipients will be inscribed on a plaque that will be prominently displayed in the Peck Building. Hall of Fame recipients will also be recognized in the *Arts* & *Sciences Today* newsletter, on the CAS webpage, on the Alumni Association webpage and the *E-Connection* publication. The recipient of the CAS Hall of Fame award must attend the induction ceremony that shall be held during SIUE Homecoming Week on Friday, October 10, 2008. The Dean's office may choose an alternate in the event that one of the selected alumni cannot attend. Exceptions may be considered in the case of illness, infirmity, etc.

Nomination Process

Individuals or groups may nominate a CAS alumnus/alumna. Nominations not selected shall be considered each year for a period of up to five (5) years. Hall of Fame recipients may also be inducted posthumously. Nominations may be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to the College. Nominations must include a letter of support and the completed nomination form, based on the following criteria:

- has obtained an SIUE undergraduate or graduate degree;
- the positive impact by the honoree in his/her chosen field of study;
- awards and recognition the honoree has received;
- community involvement and activities;
- SIUE or other higher education involvement following graduation.

Materials must be submitted no later than 4:30p.m. on July 25, 2008. For questions, please contact Grant Andree, Assistant Development Director, at (618) 650-2626 or qandree@siue.edu. Additional assistance can be obtained from the CAS Special Events Facilitator at (618) 650-5049.