



Provost Prospectus





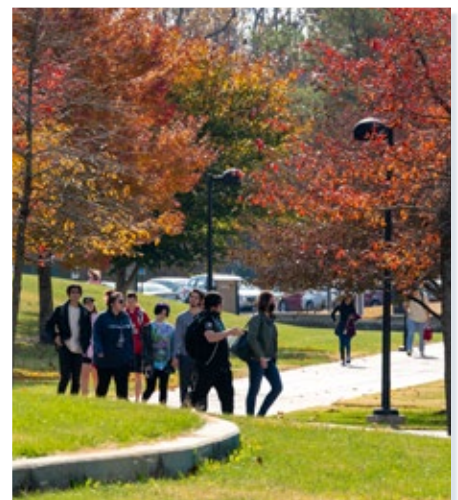
The University

Established in 1965, the University of Southern Indiana is one of five state universities in Indiana conferring baccalaureate and higher degrees. From its earliest stage of planning in the early 1960s, community leaders have supported the University by providing a solid base for its present success and future growth. That community support continues today, as evidenced by continued strong giving to a vibrant USI Foundation, and a solid reputation in the state legislature. The University of Southern Indiana has undergone a major transformation in academic programs and in instructional and support facilities. The climate exists for growth and expansion.

The University of Southern Indiana recognizes, through its mission, the diversity of its learners, other constituencies and the greater society it serves. Strategic decisions, planning and budget priorities, and administrative and academic goals are congruent with USI's mission. The University's governance and administrative structures promote effective leadership and support collaborative processes that enable the University to fulfill its mission.

The University of Southern Indiana's appeal to students is found in its size, accessibility of professors, beautiful environment and innovative housing, proximity to an urban center, friendliness of students, employees and the community, as well as its affordability and value. The University is in close proximity to major cities, including St. Louis, Indianapolis, Louisville and Nashville.

Set on a beautiful 1,400-acre campus, USI is a Carnegie Foundation Community Engaged University located in Evansville, Indiana, supported by the local business community and a vibrant arts and entertainment culture. USI enrolls over 9,100 undergraduate, graduate and dual credit students in more than 130 areas of study with an average grade point average of 3.5 for entering freshman. A public higher education institution, USI boasts competitive and renowned programs through the College of Nursing and Health Professions, the Romain College of Business, the Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education, the College of Liberal Arts, and the School of Graduate Studies. The University is home to graduate programs with online offerings and provides study-abroad opportunities in more than 60 countries, as well as hosting international students from around the globe. USI offers continuing education and special programs to more than 15,000 participants annually. The University's Outreach and Engagement programs include its Center for Applied Research, College Achievement Program, Community Engagement (including Historic New Harmony, Historic Southern Indiana and the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art), Corporate Partnerships and Customized Training, training at Westgate Academy serving the Crane Naval Base members, Lifelong Learning Noncredit Courses and Certifications, Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC), Safety Training, Service Learning, Southern Indiana Japanese School, USI @ Innovation Pointe, and the Veteran, Military, and Family Resource Center. In cooperation with



the University of Evansville and Indiana University School of Medicine, USI is a partner in the Stone Family Center for Health Sciences which is located in downtown Evansville. USI serves as an authorizer for two charter schools, Indiana Agriculture and Technology School and Springville Community Academy. Indiana Agriculture and Technology School is a tuition-free charter school currently the educational home to 253 students in grades 7–12. Springville Community Academy, located in Springville, Indiana, opened in 2022 and is home to over 165 K-8 students.

USI started the transition to Division I athletics in Fall 2022 as a member of the Ohio Valley Conference. The USI Men's Soccer and Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving are members of the Summit League while Men's Tennis is a member of an OVC/Horizon League partnership. The University currently sponsors 19 varsity intercollegiate sports. Student-athletes have consistently maintained an overall grade point average of 3.28 and consistently boast nearly 200 Academic All-Conference awards annually. USI has been nationally ranked by *USA Today* and the NCAA for student-athlete graduation rate and is proud to offer scholarship opportunities in each varsity sport. Prior to the transition to Division I, USI Screaming Eagle Athletics was a competitive member of NCAA Division II and the Great Lakes Valley Conference and boasts numerous regional and national championships during that time.

The Position

The University of Southern Indiana seeks a visionary and effective Provost to enhance and further the academic programs and initiatives of a student-centered institution; support faculty development and aspirations; work with an engaged student body; collaborate with other institutions of higher education within Indiana as well as citizens, community leaders and local officials for the advancement of the University and the region; and work with legislators and others to help advocate for the University.

The Provost is the chief academic officer of the University and reports to the University President. In addition to the academic areas of the University, the Provost has responsibility and oversight for the departments of Outreach and Engagement, Career Services and Internships, David L. Rice Library, the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Center for International Programs, Institutional Analytics Office, Sponsored Projects and Research, Registrar's Office, Disability Resources, Honors Program, and Online Learning.





The following positions report directly to the Provost:

- Dean of the College of Liberal Arts
- Dean of the College of Nursing and Health Professions
- Dean of the Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education
- Dean of the Romain College of Business
- Dean of the School of Graduate Studies
- Associate Provost for Academic Affairs
- Director of the David L. Rice Library
- Executive Director for International Programs and Services
- Executive Director for Outreach and Engagement
- Chief Data Officer
- Director of Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning and Director, Office of Sponsored Projects and Research Administration
- Career Services and Employment Coordinator

- a commitment to effective interaction with the faculty;
- excellent communication skills;
- skills to lead initiatives to maintain and enhance the academic stature of the University;
- demonstrated experience in fundraising across a diverse donor base;
- a commitment to innovation and creativity;
- evidence of successful interactions with governing boards;
- the ability to work within a complex State system of higher education;
- a demonstrated record of building and maintaining an atmosphere of transparency and collegiality;
- a record of achievement in strengthening and infusing diversity in their current operation;
- a demonstrated understanding and commitment to internationalization and globalization through support for international programs and students.

The ideal candidate will have, among other qualities:

- strong leadership and management experience;
- strong evidence of involvement in student academic and extracurricular commitments;
- a commitment to engaged learning and student success;

Additionally, this candidate will:

- have the highest integrity;
- be a strategic and visionary thinker;
- be an articulate and inspiring communicator; and
- have energy, passion and an abiding sense of humor.

INSTITUTIONAL OUTLOOK

The University of Southern Indiana is a thriving institution with highly regarded academic programs, a long history of a strong student-focused culture, a community of active teachers and scholars, and a record of commitment to its community and region. The University of Southern Indiana faces both challenges and opportunities over the near term as it seeks to sustain and further strengthen programs and services for its students, as well as the wider community, state and beyond.

RAISING THE PROFILE OF THE UNIVERSITY

USI's role as a regional leader in higher education has positioned the University for greater opportunities, yet the University continues to increase its brand statewide, nationally and internationally. The next Provost will be expected to participate in continuing the efforts to raise the profile and reputation of the University. This strategy must be coordinated with continued efforts to strengthen partnerships and relationships at the state level—particularly with the legislature and the Commission for Higher Education.

MAINTAINING A STRONG CAMPUS CULTURE

At the University of Southern Indiana, an open campus culture is highly valued; dialogue and debate, a commitment to shared governance, communication, diversity, collaboration, and access and interaction serve as the foundation for a unified vision for the University. The Provost and entire administration will have an opportunity and responsibility to model and strengthen these values through existing and new models.

STRENGTHENING RELATIONS WITH ALUMNI

The University's commitment to the future is in part dependent upon support of past students. The University seeks to strengthen existing relationships with alumni, particularly through the USI Alumni Association, as well as seek and establish new partnerships that will be mutually beneficial. The University's alumni are extremely supportive; however, more can be done to improve alumni interaction, financial support and involvement.

DIVERSIFYING RESOURCES

Despite the fact that Indiana is the envy of many states regarding funding for higher education, the University of Southern Indiana has experienced changes in the tax-supported share of its operating budget and has limited control over tuition rates and limited ability to set student fees. Therefore, the new Provost will need to be a financial advocate for the University, aligning academics with state revenue metrics, finding ways to maintain and improve the quality of programs through strong legislative advocacy, energetic fundraising with alumni and other donors, the development of other resources through community and economic development, greater internal efficiencies and creative marshaling of campus finances. In partnership with the University of Southern Indiana Foundation, the University has the opportunity to build upon the successful recent track record of fundraising and advancement. The new Provost will benefit from a positive spirit of entrepreneurship within the University to help address these challenges and take advantage of new opportunities.

MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING PROGRAM EXCELLENCE

The University has gained a reputation for excellence in student learning, teaching and scholarship. Every effort must be made to ensure that excellence remains the focal point in all aspects of the University. Increased enrollment, retention and more visible national recognition can only be accomplished if the academic culture and student focus remain at the center of USI's commitment. The Provost must articulate a vision that can unite the campus, communicate the University's values, and effectively advocate for the resources and staffing necessary to sustain the energetic momentum and to maintain excellence.

BUILDING UPON EXISTING STRENGTHS AND DEVELOPING NEW PROGRAMS

The Provost will help guide the discussion regarding supporting systematic review of academic programs, growth in existing programs with increased demand, and new program development as well as new modes of delivery. In addition, the Provost will have the opportunity to strengthen an academic model of education that integrates the liberal arts, social and natural sciences, and professional programs, including an expansion of its flourishing graduate curriculum. In Fall 2022, the University welcomed the second largest number of graduate students in its 57-year history, with 1,822 students enrolled in masters and doctoral programs.

COMMUNICATION

The University's relative size and diversity of programs have always been strengths, both internally and externally. In addressing new issues as well as old, it is important for the Provost to play an active,



engaged and transparent role with the faculty, staff and students within the University and to engage the campus community—empowering all levels of the University in order to understand and address institutional goals. The Provost will need to successfully represent the entire University community effectively within the greater Evansville area and beyond, while working cooperatively with University faculty, staff, students and administrators.

DEMOGRAPHICS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

Consistent with many other campuses, the University of Southern Indiana is in a region that has population declines within the traditional age cohort for several years. Additionally, competition for students has grown. The University is committed to growing enrollment and while admission and retention profiles have been stable, the campus must further build on this promising foundation to further strengthen and support a student-focused model in the years ahead and more effectively represent the University more aggressively in the markets of northern Indiana, eastern Illinois, western Kentucky and beyond.

PERFORMANCE-BASED FUNDING

The State of Indiana has a system of performance-based funding for public institutions, the primary focus of the current metrics being degree completion, student persistence and on-time graduation. The new Provost must ensure that academic programs and enrollment management strategies are in alignment with the performance-based funding metrics and statewide educational attainment goals.

STRENGTHENING DIVERSITY

The University of Southern Indiana has made a strong commitment to diversity, and values the gains it has made. Enhanced ethnic, religious, racial, economic and gender diversity needs to be encouraged in the recruitment of students, faculty and staff. Achieving understanding and acceptance of fully integrated diversity is valued and is part of the strategic plan. Further progress

in these areas will require sustained and vigorous commitment from the entire University community to deeply integrate the diversity goals into personal and institutional development, teaching, scholarship, service and global collaborations. The Provost will need to look at ways to enhance diversity, including international recruitment efforts.

EMBRACING SHARED GOVERNANCE

The administration, faculty, staff and students are committed to working collaboratively to continually improve all aspects of the University. The University not only has a commitment to shared governance, but its structures and processes give evidence to a strong culture of collaboration. The administration works with the Faculty Senate, Administrative Senate, Staff Council and Student Government Association in the development of policies and in decision making at a variety of levels. Working effectively with various constituent groups to ensure mutual respect, participation and cooperation is critical to the future growth and development of the University.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ENGAGEMENT

Beyond its institutional value as an economic and cultural resource, the University of Southern Indiana—a Carnegie Foundation Community Engaged University—has taken a number of proactive steps to lead and partner with economic and educational initiatives both within its immediate region and beyond. Through its office of Outreach and Engagement, innovative programs include Historic New Harmony and USI @ Innovation Pointe, Evansville's high-tech business incubator, among others. The University promotes personal growth, business development and economic revitalization in the community. The Provost will have the opportunity to lead efforts to build upon and further deepen ties, with attention to such issues as the changing economy and finding new ways to meet the educational needs of its community and region.



Applicant Qualifications

Candidates must have a PhD or other terminal degree that would qualify the candidate for an appointment as a full professor with tenure in one of the University's academic departments. A successful history of administrative experience (five years preferred) in senior academic leadership roles at an accredited institution of higher education is required. Candidates should have a strong record of intellectual, scholarly and administrative accomplishments; a broad understanding of liberal arts education and professional programs; and a keen appreciation for the values and traditions of the University of Southern Indiana. The next Provost must be a strategic thinker who can plan and execute a future vision for USI while building upon its existing strategic plan. The Provost must be a transparent and collaborative leader, an articulate and inspiring communicator, and an experienced, responsible financial manager.

Information for Applicants

The review of credentials will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. For highest consideration, please submit

materials by **April 16, 2023**. Application materials should be submitted via the USI Human Resources website at: <https://usi.peopleadmin.com/postings/10592> and include a letter of interest; curriculum vitae; and the names, addresses (including email) and telephone numbers for at least five references. (References will not be contacted without consent from the applicant.)

Applications and Nominations

Nominations and questions should be forwarded to Sarah Will: skwill@usi.edu. More information is available on the USI website at: <https://www.usi.edu/provost-search>. All applications and nominations will be considered highly confidential. To request accommodations during the application and/or interview process please contact the Employment Manager at mcweinzapf@usi.edu or 812-464-1840.

As an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer, the University of Southern Indiana considers all qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy or marital status, parental status, national origin or ancestry, age (40 and older), disability, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, veteran status or any other category protected by law or identified by the University as a protected class.





Vision

USI will be a recognized leader in higher education boldly shaping the future and transforming the lives of our students through exceptional learning and intentional innovation.

Mission

USI is an engaged learning community committed to exceptional education. We exist to provide an educated citizenry that can engage in a civil manner within a community with divergent ideas and cultural differences. We prepare our students to lead and make positive contributions to our state, their communities, and to be lifetime learners in a diverse and global society.

9,178 students*

Enrolled at USI in the 2022–2023 academic year

AVERAGE GPA OF ENTERING FRESHMEN
3.5

AVERAGE COMBINED SAT TEST SCORES
1128

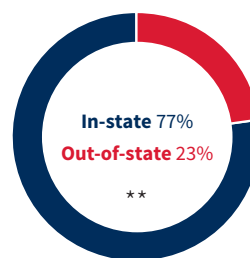
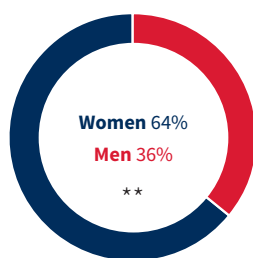
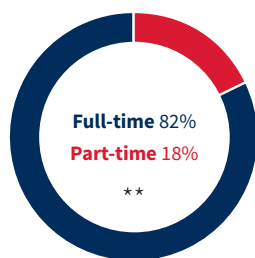
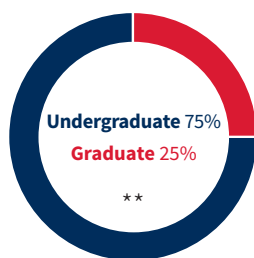
AVERAGE ACT TEST SCORES
23

88|47|36

In Fall 2022, students came from 88 Indiana counties, 47 states and 36 countries.

Non-Traditional*** 28%

Minority and International** 17%



4 academic colleges

- College of Liberal Arts
- College of Nursing and Health Professions
- Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education
- Romain College of Business

1965

year established

130+

areas of study

50,000+ alumni

15,000+

annual participants in continuing education courses and special programs sponsored by Outreach and Engagement including:

- Historic New Harmony
- USI-Crane Partnership
- I-69 Innovation Corridor

1,400

acres of beautiful campus

20

average class size

150+

student organizations

Forbes 2022
AMERICA'S
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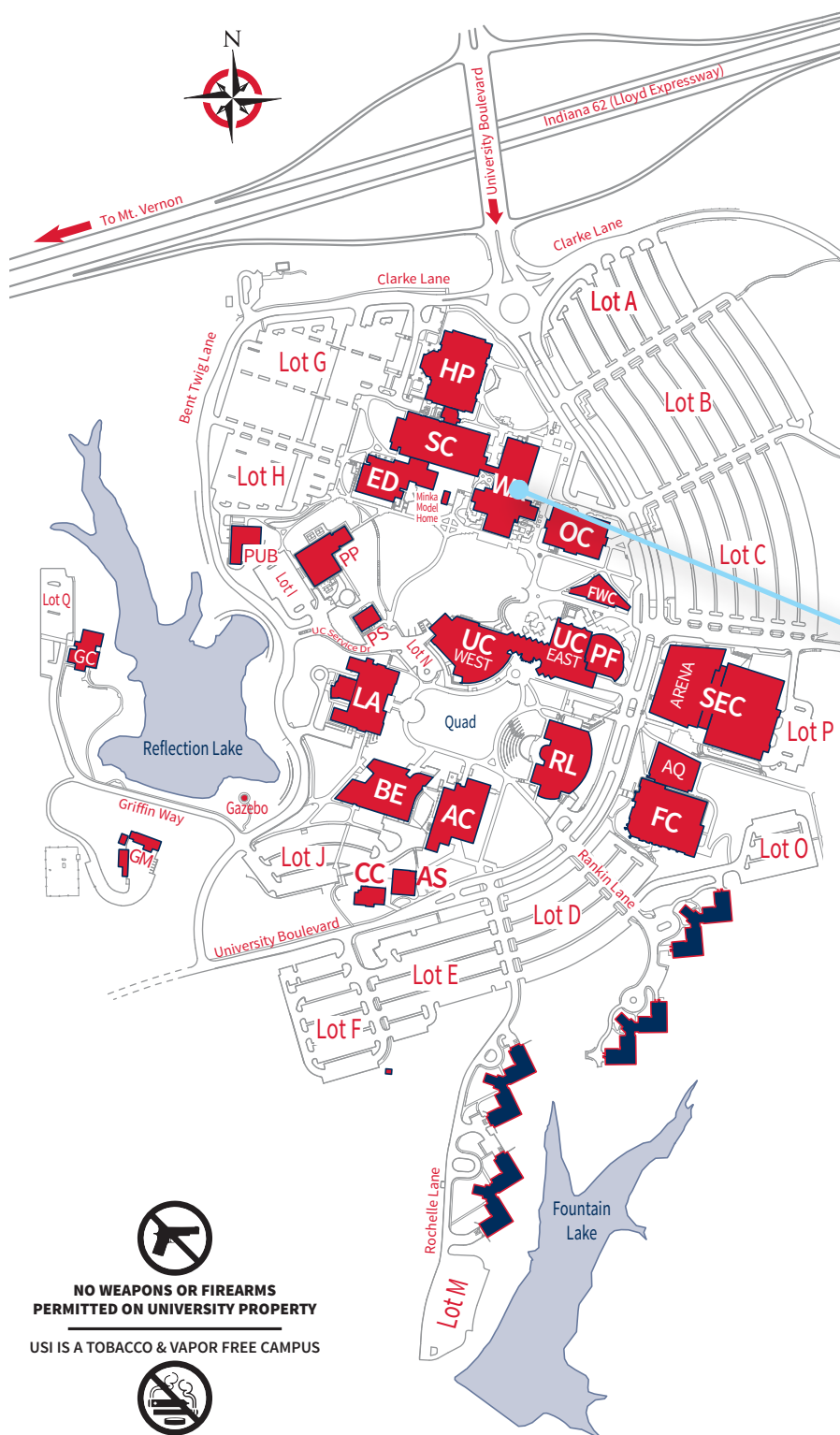
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*Overall USI enrollment is the sum of dual credit, undergraduate and graduate students.

**Degree-seeking students

***Undergraduate and graduate students

Campus Overview



Campus Legend

Applied Engineering Center	AE
Aquatic Center	AQ
Arts Center	AC
Art Studio	AS
Business and Engineering Center	BE
Carter Hall (UC West 233)	UC
Couch/Renner Hall (ED 1101)	ED
Dowhie Ceramics Center	CC
Education Center	ED
Forum Lecture Halls (FA 1, 2, and 3)	FA
USI Foundation	FO
Fuquay Welcome Center	FWC
Griffin Center	GC
Grounds Maintenance Center	GM
Hamilton Music Studio (LA 0114)	LA
Health Professions Center	HP
Human Resources (FA 166)	FA
Kleymeyer Hall (LA 0101)	LA
Liberal Arts Center	LA
Mallette Studio Theatre (LA 0105)	LA
McCutchan Art Center/Pace Galleries (LA 0155)	LA
Mitchell Auditorium (HP 1002)	HP
Orr Center	OC
Performance Center	PF
Physical Plant Service Center	PP
Public Safety Building	PS
Publishing Services Center	PUB
Recreation, Fitness and Wellness Center	FC
Rice Library	RL
Science Center	SC
Screaming Eagles Complex	SEC
– Athletics Department	
– Kinesiology and Sport Department	
– Multipurpose Courts A, B, C	
– Screaming Eagles Arena	
Support Services Center	SS
Theatre Support Center	TS
University Center	UC
Wright Administration Building	WA

USI Human Resources (FA 166)

8600 University Boulevard, Evansville, Indiana 47712

The Human Resources office is located in the Forum Wing of the Wright Administration Building. The nearest parking lot is Lot B.

For more information on the vibrant USI campus, take a virtual tour: [USI.edu/tour](https://www.usi.edu/tour).

Funding

Indiana carries an AAA rating from Moody's, Standard and Poor's and Fitch. The Indiana Commission for Higher Education funds USI two ways:

- **Base funding**—considers enrollment figures and inflation
- **Performance funding**—promotes improving overall degree completion, on-time graduation rates, at-risk degree completion and student persistence incentive

Approximately 52.9% of the University's 2021–2022 operating budget came from state appropriations while student fees made up 40.1% and 7% from other sources.



Retention & Graduation Rates

- **1 year** retention for the incoming 2021 cohort: **69.8%**
- **4 year** graduation 2018 cohort: **36.9%**
- **6 year** graduation 2016 cohort: **50.6%**

First-time, full-time baccalaureate degree seeking students

Educational Excellence



President Rochon

As USI's fourth president, Dr. Ronald S. Rochon is a strong advocate for educational excellence, access, equity and equality. Under his leadership, the University has implemented its third Strategic Plan: Accelerating Impact—which includes goals for improving student success, fostering impactful engagement, elevating the visibility and reputation of the University, and strengthening its financial viability, all of which he plans to achieve through

collaborative community, regional, state, national and global initiatives. He intentionally guides the University to be a catalyst for change, creating a talented, educated citizenry that meets the entrepreneurial and workforce needs of society.

USI Foundation

The USI Foundation was established October 1, 1968 as the official gift receiving agency for the University with an inaugural gift of \$200. Since then over 150,000 individuals, businesses and organizations have generously supported the noble work of higher education at USI. The mission of our Foundation is: To attract, acquire and manage donors' charitable gifts to support and sustain the goals of the University of Southern Indiana.

The current assets of the USI Foundation total \$175.3 million.

Campus Improvement

USI takes pride in its beautiful, modern campus and has made significant investments in campus facilities since its founding.



Improvement projects include:

- David L. Rice Library (2006)
- Kenneth P. McCutchan Art Center/Palmina F. and Stephen S. Pace Galleries (2008)
- Residence Life Community Center (2008)
- Lenny and Anne Dowhie Ceramics Center (2009)
- Business and Engineering Center (2010)
- Applied Engineering Center (2013)
- Performance Center (2015)
- The Griffin Center (2016)
- Fuquay Welcome Center (2018)
- Screaming Eagles Arena (2018)
- Physical Activities Center Renovations (2020)
- Aquatic Center (2021)
- Health Professions Building (2023)
- Recreation, Fitness, and Wellness Center (2024)

Leaving our Mark



NCAA Division I Athletics



Screaming Eagle Stats:

- NCAA Division I
- Ohio Valley Conference (OVC)
- 19 men's and women's sports
- Overall GPA of USI student athletes: 3.29



The USI Athletic Department's goal is to achieve national prominence in each varsity sport while maintaining academic excellence. USI has been nationally ranked by *USA Today* and the NCAA for student athlete graduation rates.

USI teams have claimed four national championships (men's basketball, 1995; baseball, 2010; baseball, 2014; softball, 2018) and finished three times as national finalists in men's and women's basketball. The men's and women's cross country/track teams have produced 10 individual national champions since 1997.



Community Engagement

Since 2008, USI has held the distinguished Community Engagement Classification from **The Carnegie Foundation** for the Advancement of Teaching. This achievement recognizes USI's ongoing collaboration with the Tri-state community and beyond in both curricular engagement and outreach and partnerships. USI is one of only 361 campuses nationwide that holds this designation.



USI Engineers in Action bridge building event

Multicultural Center

USI's Multicultural Center (MCC) promotes academic success of students by preparing them to be responsible citizens in a multicultural society. This department offers a warm, welcoming, supportive and inclusive environment for USI's diverse populations and provides services such as:

- advising organizations
- conducting diversity training on and off campus
- assisting in student recruitment
- educational and social programming



Throughout the school year, the MCC creates opportunities for cultural interaction between students, the campus and the community at large to promote cultural awareness and sensitivity by hosting these community events:

- Black and Brown Summit of Excellence
- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Luncheon
- Gospel Explosion
- Phenomenal Women Recognition



Employment

At USI, we value our faculty, support staff and administrators, and recognize them as our greatest asset. Some of the many benefits the University provides are:

- A competitive benefits package for eligible employees —includes medical, dental, vision, life, disability, accident, hospital and critical illness insurance
- Tuition waivers for employees and their families
- University contribution retirement plans
- Vacation and sick days
- Paid parental leave (10 days)
- Summer flex hours
- Free campus parking
- HSA
- FSA

Retirement Plans

Eligible faculty, support staff and administrators may participate in the University Defined Contribution 403(b) Plan after a one-year waiting period. USI contributes 11% of annual appointment salary to this plan once the waiting period has been satisfied.

If the employee has participated in another university-sponsored retirement plan with employer contributions, the waiting period may be waived if written documentation is provided to Human Resources within 60 calendar days from the first date of employment. Employees are immediately 100% vested in these funds. Eligible employees may participate in supplemental retirement plans by contributing pre-tax dollars from their pay.

Healthcare

Healthcare coverage is available for full-time employees working on at least a 75% academic or fiscal year schedule, their spouses and their dependents up to age 26. Health insurance benefits are available on the first day of the month following hire date. The University of Southern Indiana offers two medical insurance plans to choose from through Anthem. For details on plan options and coverage go to [USI.edu/hr/benefits/medical-insurance](https://usi.edu/hr/benefits/medical-insurance).

Benefits of Working at USI



University Health Center

Located on the lower level of the Health Professions Center, the University Health Center is a full-service clinic offering medical services and health-related information to students, faculty and staff.

USI.edu/healthcenter

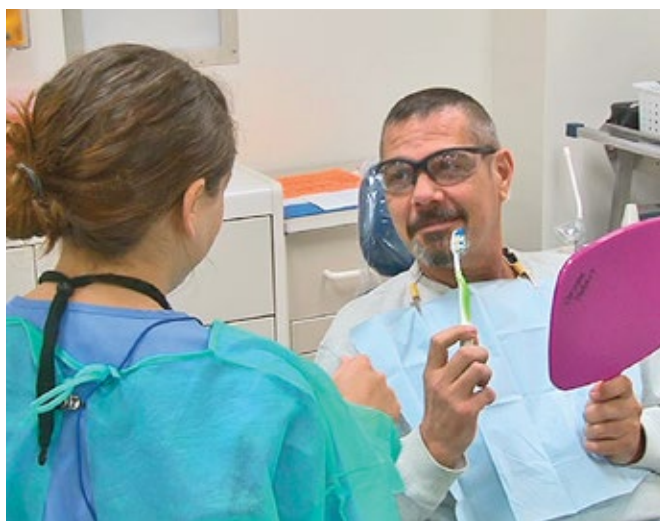


Educational Benefits

Eligible faculty, support staff and administrators receive a full waiver of student tuition and fees for undergraduate and graduate courses. Spouses and dependents of eligible faculty, support staff and administrators receive a waiver of 75% of student tuition and fees for undergraduate and graduate courses. Certain lab and miscellaneous fees as outlined in the University Handbook also may be waived. Employees also may receive a waiver of fees for noncredit courses held on campus through the Outreach and Engagement Department. Please see the Fee Waiver policy in the University Handbook for more details.

Dental Hygiene Clinic

The Dental Hygiene Clinic in the College of Nursing and Health Professions offers dental hygiene services to adults and children of all ages at a nominal cost. All services are performed by students in a clinical setting and are supervised and evaluated by dental hygiene faculty.



Pedestrian, Bike and Nature Trails

USI boasts many miles of multi-use trails on its scenic 1,400-acre campus, open to the University community and the public. The USI-Burdette Trail is a three-mile paved trail resulting from a partnership between USI and nearby Burdette Park. The trail is a popular route for hikers, bicyclists and runners and is a key connection to an area of river bottom land, with an additional 37 miles of paved roads currently signed for bicycle use south of Burdette Park. The USI-Burdette Trail is a designated destination point of the American Discovery Trail, which passes through southern Indiana. The trail also has been named a National Recreation Trail by the Secretary of the Interior.



Wellness

Employees can access the facilities and participate in the many activities offered in the Recreation, Fitness and Wellness Center (RFWC). There is no cost for employees but you must present your employee ID card for admittance.

Features include:

- aquatics center
- three basketball courts
- cardiovascular equipment
- free weights
- indoor elevated track
- game room
- lounge
- climbing center and group exercise rooms

RFWC activities include:

- basketball
- volleyball
- badminton
- table tennis
- billiards
- foosball

- Yoga
- self-defense
- various group exercise classes
- fitness consultation
- and more...

To support employee fitness and well being, USI offers eligible employees the option to take one hour per week of paid time to devote to pre-approved fitness activities. The Time to Get Fit program is designed to encourage employees to exercise by participating in exercise programs sponsored by the University.



Volunteer USI

Volunteer USI is coordinated through USI Alumni Engagement and Volunteer Services and is a University-wide program to recruit, place and recognize volunteers who give their services and talents to benefit USI and the surrounding communities.



Volunteer USI
contributed

63,266

hours in 2021-2022.

Total hours since 1996:

2,336,383



Evansville Riverfront



Main Street, Evansville

Evansville, the “River City” located in a horseshoe bend along the scenic Ohio River, offers many of the amenities of a major metropolitan city, but retains Midwestern friendliness and hospitality. As the third-largest city in Indiana, Evansville has a population of 117,979 residents in the city limits and an additional 358,676 residents living in the metropolitan area.

As a center for regional industry, prominent employers include: Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indiana, ALCOA, CenterPoint Energy, Berry Global, Inc., Reckitt Benckiser Group/Mead Johnson Nutrition Company, SABIC Innovative Plastics and AstraZeneca.

Evansville is home to two Level II Trauma Centers, Deaconess Hospital and Ascension St. Vincent Evansville.

Deaconess Health System is a provider of healthcare services to 26 counties in three states (IN, IL and KY). The system consists of nine hospitals located in southern Indiana and two in Kentucky. <https://www.deaconess.com>

Ascension St. Vincent Evansville provides emergency medicine services, level II trauma care, medical-surgical care and maternity services that include prenatal care for women and babies in high risk-pregnancies. <https://healthcare.ascension.org/locations/indiana/ineva/evansville-ascension-st-vincent-evansville>

Evansville Regional Airport offers competitive-priced connectivity to hundreds of domestic and international destinations with frequent daily flights to top-rated, major hub cities - Atlanta, Dallas and Charlotte, as well as non-stop, low-cost flights to Destin and Orlando. Served by Allegiant, American Airlines, and Delta, Evansville Regional Airport is an easy and welcoming gateway to and from southwest Indiana, western Kentucky and eastern Illinois.

For more information about Evansville go to swinchamber.com.

Evansville and the surrounding areas offer a wide variety of quality K–12 schools to families with children.

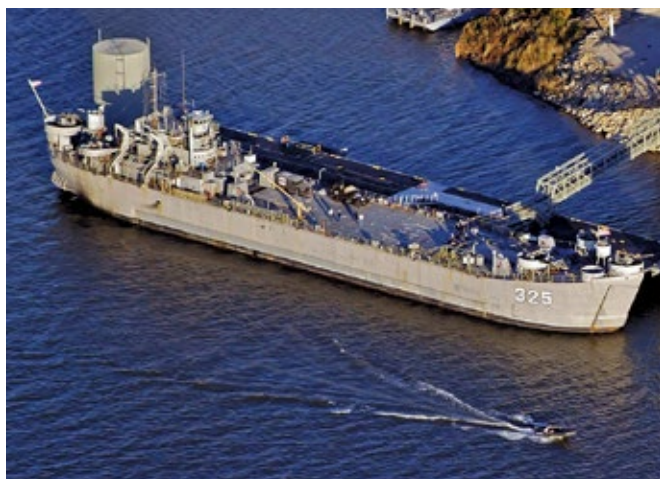
- **Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation**—five traditional high schools, one early college high school and a technical center
- **Signature School**—a public charter school ranked first in the Midwest and ninth in the nation by *Washington Post*
- **Evansville Day School**—a private, preK– grade 12, college preparatory school
- **Evansville Catholic Diocese**—four high schools and 22 elementary schools
- **Evansville Christian School**—a private, Christian school offering preK–grade 9

Additional Indiana school corporations include: Warrick County, South Gibson County, East Gibson County, North Gibson County, Metropolitan School District of Mount Vernon, and Metropolitan School District of North Posey.



LST 325 Memorial Museum

The LST 325, docked along Evansville's riverfront, is a fitting tribute to Evansville's industrial contribution during World War II. The ship offers tours with seasonal hours throughout the year.



Mesker Zoo

Mesker Zoo first opened in 1928. Since then, it remains one of the oldest and largest zoos in the state of Indiana. It is open 365 days a year.



Bosse Field

Built in 1915 and home to the Evansville Otters, Bosse Field is the third-oldest professional baseball stadium. The Evansville Otters belong to the Frontier League, and play from May to September. The 1992 Hollywood movie, *A League of Their Own*, starring Tom Hanks, Geena Davis, Rosie O'Donnell and Madonna was filmed at Bosse Field.



Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage

A National Recreational Trail, the Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage will be a 42-mile paved path around Evansville when completed. The trail provides walking, jogging or biking through the area's natural habitat.



Restaurants to try in Evansville:

www.visitevansville.com/restaurants

Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra

The Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra performs from September to May at the Victory Theatre in downtown Evansville. This nonprofit organization is the largest arts group in Evansville.



West Side Nut Club Fall Festival

The West Side Nut Club Fall Festival attracts over 200,000 people annually while promoting philanthropic values of local nonprofit organizations. Over 126 food booths line Franklin Street to raise money for the nonprofit organizations. This week-long event is considered to be one of the largest street festivals in the United States.



Ford Center



Central Library



Evansville African American Museum



Victoria National Golf Club

Additional Attractions

- Old National Events Plaza
- Evansville Museum of Arts, History & Science
- Willard Library
- Reitz Home Museum
- Koch Family Children's Museum of Evansville
- Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve
- Angel Mounds State Historic Site
- Harmonie State Park
- Swonder Ice Rink
- Deaconess Aquatic Center (Indoor)
- Burdette Park and Aquatic Center
- Civic Theatre
- Eastland Mall
- Evansville Farmer's Market
- Franklin Street Bazaar
- Haynie's Corner Arts District

Other Nearby Attractions

Historic New Harmony

Since 1985 USI has provided oversight and management to the historic town of New Harmony, Indiana, a community with a rich intellectual and cultural heritage. It was the site of two utopian community experiments in the early 1800s, and today is a destination for tourists and arts patrons. The University operates the New Harmony Gallery of Contemporary Art and offers tourism and education programs about the community at the Athenaeum Visitors Center.



Restaurants to try:

www.visitnewharmony.com/locations/food-drink



Historic Newburgh

Situated east of Evansville, Newburgh, Indiana, sits on the banks of the Ohio River. Its Historic District along the scenic Rivertown Trail, offers a unique dining and shopping experience to visitors and residents.



Restaurants to try:

www.historicnewburgh.org/food-and-drink



Holiday World & Splashin' Safari

Priding itself as the nation's first theme park, Holiday World & Splashin' Safari is located nearby in Santa Claus, Indiana. It is a theme and water park with one admission price and offers fun and entertainment for the entire family.



Restaurants to try:

<http://santaclausind.org/listing-categories/dining>



Henderson, Kentucky

Henderson, Kentucky, located over the bridge from Evansville, is most noted for residents John James Audubon and W.C. Handy. The town's Riverwalk provides a place for walkers and joggers to view pieces from the Audubon Sculpture Walking Tour. Hikers also enjoy the John James Audubon State Park and Museum.



Restaurants to try:

www.hendersonky.org/attraction-category/where-to-dine/





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