

STUDENT LIFE

Student life at the University of Illinois at Springfield is both stimulating and comfortable. Recreational sports, intercollegiate athletics, many active student organizations, and regularly scheduled cultural attractions broaden campus life. Support services, ranging from housing to health care to computer labs, make student life at UIS as convenient as possible. All services and activities are available to full- and part-time students.

ATHLETICS

The Prairie Stars belong to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and compete in six varsity sports. Men's soccer, women's tennis, and women's volleyball compete in the fall. Men's and women's basketball compete in the winter, and men's tennis in the spring. The women's volleyball team has advanced to the regional tournament six times while the men's and women's tennis, women's basketball, and men's soccer teams have won regional championships in recent years and advanced to NAIA national tournaments. Men's basketball began its inaugural season in 2002-2003.

The Office of Athletics is located in SLB 16.

BOOKSTORE

Follett's UIS Bookstore is located just off the cafeteria on the lower level of the Public Affairs Center. All texts required for your classes are available in the store, including a large supply of used books. In addition, the bookstore carries school supplies, reference books and bestsellers, greeting cards, gift items, and UIS clothing. A selection of academically priced computer software and computer accessories is also available. There is a special order service for books and software not in stock. Gift certificates are available. In addition, you can sell your textbooks back to the bookstore year-round.

The bookstore is accessible online at www.uis bkstr.com, through the campus' main website, or through efollett.com.

The bookstore is open 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday. Extended service hours and dates are published in the course schedule each semester.

BROOKENS LIBRARY

The Norris L. Brookens Library supports teach-

ing and learning at UIS with a collection of 521,000 books and journals, nearly 2,000 periodical subscriptions, 3,500 films and videotapes, and 1,800,000 microforms. UIS students can search the statewide ILLINET Online system to find information about the holdings and availability of library materials both at UIS and at 42 other academic libraries throughout the state, including the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Books and journal articles not available in the local collection may be obtained through inter-library loan at no charge. Over 90 databases, many of them full-text, are also available through the library network and can be accessed remotely as well as on campus.

Library faculty provide individualized instruction, offer workshops for specific courses, and teach a course in library research methods. A member of the library faculty works with each degree program at UIS to support the program's particular information needs. In addition, individual assistance is provided at the Information Desk on level two. Another specialized service is course reserves, available either electronically or at the Circulation Desk. Also available on level