### UIS Increases Tax Revenue
- Approximately **79.5%** of UIS’s students remain in Illinois upon completing their educational goals. As students earn more, they pay higher taxes. Employers also pay higher taxes through their increased output and spending.
- Over the students’ working lives, state and local government in Illinois will collect a present value of **$58.6 million** in the form of higher tax receipts.

### UIS Reduces Government Costs
- UIS students who achieve higher levels of education are statistically less likely to have poor health habits, commit crimes, or claim welfare or unemployment benefits.
- The improved lifestyles of students result in a reduced demand for government-supported services. Better health leads to reduced health care costs. Reduced crime leads to a reduced burden on the criminal justice system. Further, increased employability leads to fewer claims for welfare and unemployment benefits.
- As a result, taxpayers in the state of Illinois will see a present value of **$23.6 million** in savings to government over the students’ working careers.

### UIS is a Solid Investment for State & Local Taxpayers
- In FY 2013-14, state and local taxpayers in Illinois paid **$23.8 million** to support the operations of UIS.
- For every $1 of public money spent in UIS, taxpayers receive a cumulative return of **$3.50** over the course of students’ working lives in the form of higher tax receipts and public sector savings.
- Taxpayers see an annual return of **10.0%** on their investment in UIS. This return compares favorably with the 1.1% discount rate used by the federal government to appraise long-term investments.