



**student life**

# 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](http://www.uis bkstr.com), through the campus' main website, or through [efollett.com](http://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



two is the Non-Profit Resource Center, a service that helps non-profit organizations to find information on funding sources and opportunities. The UIS Archives and Special Collections unit, on level one of the library, houses both UIS records and manuscript materials, including the campus' oral history collection, and the Illinois Regional Archives Depository, one of 14 in the state.

**Educational Technology** is responsible for instructional technology facilities and services at UIS. Facilities include computer labs, technology-enhanced "smart" classrooms, multimedia classrooms, and distance learning/video conferencing rooms. Educational Technology administers Blackboard, Web Board, and WebCT servers supporting online courses and provides technical support for standard instructional software and multimedia production software. A variety of equipment, including digital still cameras, digital or analog video camcorders, and laptop computers, is available for loan to students and faculty.

General access labs are located in BRK 180 and HSB 108/109. Additional computer labs (6), smart classrooms (46), technology enhanced conference rooms (5), and distance learning rooms (2) are locat-

ed throughout campus. Each semester, Educational Technology offers a series of free workshops on multimedia topics (such as iMovie, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, Flash, and others) in the multimedia classroom. The videoconferencing facilities provide "live" two-way audio and video connections to either single or multiple remote sites, permitting courses to be delivered or received from other locations on a potentially worldwide basis.

**Library and Educational Technology hours** are Monday-Thursday 8 a.m.-midnight; Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Sunday 1 p.m.-midnight. Hours are extended during exam periods.

Access the library's collections or find out about services at [www.uis.edu/library/bridge.htm](http://www.uis.edu/library/bridge.htm). Find out more about Educational Technology at <http://edtech.uis.edu>.

## **BURSAR'S OFFICE**

The Bursar's Office, located on the lower level of the Public Affairs Center, will cash your personal checks up to \$25, or \$25 over the amount of payment when you present a valid UIS *i-card*. The office also operates a U.S. postal substation; collects your registration,

housing, and other fees; and sells campus parking decals and bus passes for the Springfield Mass Transit District. MasterCard, VISA, and Discover cards are accepted for payment on student accounts via the UIS Student Accounts website at [www.uis.edu/studentaccounts/](http://www.uis.edu/studentaccounts/).

The Bursar's Office is normally open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. However, for fall and spring, the office is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday during the week before the semester begins and for the first two weeks of the semester. For the summer term, extended hours are in effect the week before the session begins and continue through the first week.

## **CAMPUS HEALTH SERVICE**

The Campus Health Service is located in BSB 20. Physicians are available six hours a week. The clinic is staffed by a nurse practitioner and a registered nurse during regular clinic hours, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A walk-in clinic is available from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday and Wednesday.

Health care is provided to you whether you are a full-time or part-time student and whether or not you have student health insurance. Services include treat-

ment for minor acute illnesses and injuries, yearly pap smears, birth control, allergy injections, foreign travel consultations, and immunizations for foreign travel as well as required immunizations. Physical examinations are provided for all UIS athletes and for students who are required to have them for work, school, etc.

A wellness resource and self-help area is available in the CHS clinic and a supply of over-the-counter remedies is also available, along with guidelines and directions for their use.

You do not pay a health service fee, nor do fees paid for health insurance come to the health service. The CHS is supported by university funds and some user fees. There is no charge for visits to the CHS, although there are some charges for special services. You are notified at the time of the visit if any charges will be incurred. Because more complex health issues sometimes arise, you are expected to have your own insurance to cover these types of expenses. You are also responsible for informing CHS staff if your insurance requires the use of specific providers.

All care is confidential. A copy of medical records or information contained in such records is provided by written consent and as required by law.

## CAMPUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Around-the-clock assistance is provided for students, faculty, staff, and visitors by the Campus Police Department, located on the north side of campus and east of parking lot C. Emergencies such as a crime in progress, a fire, or a medical emergency, as well as suspicious persons or activities, should be reported to the department immediately. The non-emergency number is (217) 206-6690. In an emergency call 206-7777.

## CAREER SERVICES

Career Services helps you develop an understanding of yourself and the world of work so that you can make effective career decisions. This process is carried out through individual career counseling, workshops, computer-based career information, and special interest programming.

Throughout the academic year, Career Services supports your efforts by providing career fairs and access to web-based job placement systems, sponsoring on-campus recruitment schedules, offering resume writing and job search workshops, and maintaining a video and career information library. Recruitment literature from various busi-

nesses, social service agencies, school districts, government organizations, and graduate schools is available.

Graduate school information, including announcement and registration materials for standard tests such as the GRE, GMAT, MCAT, and LSAT is available in the office.


The office is located in SAB 50D, phone 206-6508.

## CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

The Center for Teaching and Learning was established to provide student academic support, faculty development programs, and assessment activities. Each of these activities is discussed below. For general information and appointments, call (217) 206-6503, visit the CTL on campus at Brookens 460, or connect to the CTL web site at [www.uis.edu/ctl](http://www.uis.edu/ctl).

**ACADEMIC SUPPORT** (Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday 4-8 p.m./phone (217) 206-6503/Brookens 460)

Student Academic Support provides you with assistance in writing, mathematics, biology, chemistry, and computing, and coordinates tutoring in other dis-



ciplines. CTL faculty and graduate assistants work with you individually or in groups, concentrating on helping you to become an independent learner. Academic Support is also the site for testing and assistance in English as a Second Language (ESL).

Faculty/instructional support programs include assistance with general instructional technology including training and assistance for faculty, staff, and graduate assistants in the use of software provided through UIS computer services. For training schedules or assistance, call (217) 206-7450 or go to [www.uis.edu/ctl/training/schedule.html](http://www.uis.edu/ctl/training/schedule.html).

**ASSESSMENT** (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m./phone (217) 206-7125/Brookens 460)

The assessment office coordinates all entry/exit, baccalaureate, and special assessment activities for the campus. The office collects, analyzes, and reports data to assist other campus units or groups in making program, policy, or institutional decisions.

## **CHILD CARE CENTER**

The Children's Center on campus provides toddler care for children 15 months to 2 years of age, offers pre-K classes with extended care for ages 3 to 5, and

provides after-school care for ages 5 to 12. Considered one of the best pre-schools and childcare facilities in the Springfield area, the center is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The educational programs are designed to meet the needs of each child and to prepare him or her for experiences in kindergarten and beyond. Sliding fees are available for families who meet eligibility criteria. The center is open from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Evening care is provided 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday during the fall and spring semesters. Applications and current fee schedules are available at the center. Space is limited. For further information phone (217) 206-6610.

## **COUNSELING CENTER**

The Counseling Center provides confidential counseling services that assist students, staff, and faculty in dealing with personal issues such as depression, anxiety, relationship concerns, sexual abuse, sexual assault, assertiveness, and procrastination.

The Counseling Center staff includes trained professionals qualified to provide psychological services to individuals, couples, families, and groups. In addition, the center offers workshops on topics such as

stress management, conflict resolution, test anxiety, time management, acquaintance rape, substance abuse, grief and loss, holiday depression, and fear of public speaking.

To schedule an appointment with a counselor, call (217) 206-7122 or stop by the Counseling Center, SAB 30.

## **OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS**

The Office of the Dean of Students, located in SLB 22, strives to enhance student learning and student achievement by fostering a positive, inclusive campus environment through programs and services that support the needs of a diverse student population; by providing opportunities for students to engage in experiences that enrich the value of their education; by helping students develop leadership and life skills so that they are empowered to advocate for their own needs and interests; and by creating awareness and promoting understanding to educate students about student, community, and social issues.

The Office of the Dean of Students houses Advocacy and Assistance, Judicial Affairs, Student Legal Assistance, and the Clearinghouse for Student Concerns and Issues.

## OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES

The Office of Disability Services provides academic assistance to qualified individuals with a documented disability. Documentation must adequately verify the nature and extent of the disability according to current professional standards and techniques and must clearly substantiate the need for the student's specific accommodation requests. Services may include readers, peer note takers, alternate test formats, texts on tape, adaptive technology, general advocacy, and referral services. The office is located in SLB 11 and is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. An adaptive technology lab, featuring some of the latest technology available for individuals with special needs, is located in SLB 15. For more information, call the office at (217) 206-6666 (voice) or (217) 206-6668 (voice/TTY).

## FOOD SERVICE

The Food Emporium, located in the Public Affairs Center, features a variety of choices: the Cook's Nook has "home-style" meals; the Showtime area has cooked-to-order specialties; the grill and deli areas offer hot and cold sandwiches, side dishes, and snacks; the pizza area offers pizza by-the-slice or made-to-

order pizzas with your favorite toppings. In addition, there is a soup/salad bar, bakery items, desserts, beverage isle, and a Grab-n-Go Express area that allows you to get pre-packaged items when you're on the run.

During the fall and spring semesters, the Food Emporium is open Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and 3:45-6:30 p.m. During the summer term the Food Emporium is open only Monday-Friday. Purchases can be made with cash or by using your i-card with a meal plan. Customers who pay with their i-cards receive discounts.

Another place to get food on campus is the Café, located in the Lincoln Residence Hall. Offering convenience-style items as well as pizza, salads, and sandwiches to those with late-night cravings, the Café is open till midnight every day. The Café opens at 8 p.m. Monday-Friday and at 6:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. The Café is a cashless operation. You can make purchases only if you have an i-card and meal plan. The Café is closed during the summer term.

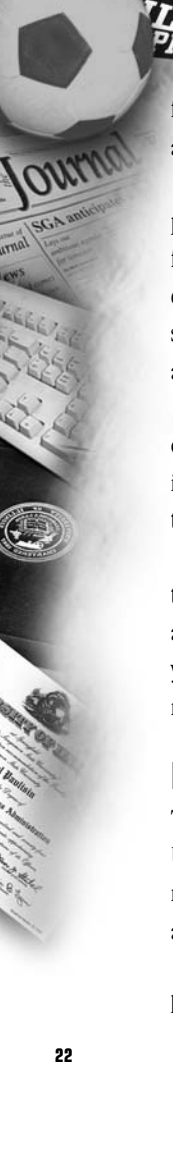
## HOUSING

Student housing at UIS includes Lincoln Residence Hall, as well as 146 on-campus apartments and

townhouses; additional townhouse units are scheduled to open in 2003. Both single students and student families are housed on campus. Several residence hall rooms and apartments are specially designed and equipped for students whose mobility is impaired.

Lincoln Residence Hall is home to first- and second-year students enrolled in the Capital Scholars program. Students are accommodated in a four-person cluster arrangement that includes two double-occupancy rooms sharing a bath. Lincoln Residence Hall also includes a fitness room, several floor lounges, and a large multipurpose room as well as a café and serving area. Residence hall students are required to participate in a campus meal plan. Meals are served in the PAC Food Emporium.

Upper-division and graduate students reside in the on-campus apartments and townhouses. Single students are housed in furnished two- or four-bedroom units, where both private and shared bedroom assignments are available. Married students and students with children are assigned to one- or two-bedroom apartments that may be furnished or unfurnished. The number of family units is limited, and the maximum family size that can be accommodated is



four people. Rental costs vary according to the type of accommodation.

For students with families, the Child Care Center provides day care, after-school care, and evening care for children age 15 months and over. School-age children attend the highly regarded Ball-Chatham schools, and regular school bus transportation is available for children living in campus housing.

Housing assignments are based on the date a completed application is received. You can obtain full information and application materials by contacting the UIS Housing Office at (217) 206-6190.

The UIS Housing Office also maintains information regarding off-campus accommodations. Staff will assist you in searching for off-campus housing, but you are responsible for arranging your own accommodations in the surrounding community.

## ID CARDS

The *i-card* is your student identification card for the University of Illinois at Springfield. It is a permanent, multifunction photo ID card that combines traditional ID functions with other services.

You will need your *i-card* to use the library, on-line library resources, and the gym and fitness center.

You may also use the *i-card* to receive ticket discounts and/or admission to athletic home games and other UIS-sponsored events.

The *i-card* provides access to campus meal plans for dining on campus and to the “Campus Cash” declining balance account. Campus Cash is used for campus copiers, printing, laundry, vending, and other on-campus purchases.

There is no charge for your first *i-card*; however, there is a replacement fee for lost, stolen, or damaged cards. If you are transferring from UIC or UIUC, you must bring your old *i-card* to receive a replacement at no charge.

To obtain an *i-card*, visit the ID Center in the Public Affairs Center, room 108. Students must be registered for at least one course taught on campus (not solely distance learning courses) to be eligible for a photo *i-card*. UIS will mail a non-photo card to students enrolled solely in distance learning at the beginning of their first semester. All *i-cards* are activated upon registration for the semester. Students should bring a photo ID (driver’s license, passport, etc.) and copy of their schedules with them to the ID Center.

For more information on any *i-card* programs,

please contact the ID Center at 206-7718 or e-mail [UISIDCenter@uis.edu](mailto:UISIDCenter@uis.edu).

## INTER-CLUB COUNCIL BOARD

The Inter-Club Council Board is a standing committee of the Student Government Association that coordinates and supports the many registered student clubs and organizations on campus. The board is composed of representatives from all clubs and organizations and coordinates club activities and administers the special activity grant program that provides funding support for club activities of benefit to the entire student population. For more information contact the Office of Student Life in SLB 22 or call (217) 206-6665.

## INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The Office of International Affairs is responsible for advising all international students, staff, and faculty as well as for study abroad through the Global Experience Program.

The office is committed to meeting the special needs and interests of all students, staff, and faculty from foreign countries. Activities and assistance are designed to promote a successful educational experience for international members of the UIS communi-

ty and to foster intercultural awareness and cooperation on campus and in the larger community.

Services include:

- Orientation to American culture, the campus, and the community
- Assistance in academic, financial, governmental, institutional, and personal problem solving
- Social, cultural, and educational programming
- Host family program

International Affairs serves as an advocate for international students on campus, in the community, and with domestic and foreign government agencies. The office regularly publishes a newsletter to update students on U.S. Immigration regulations and to keep them informed of upcoming activities.

The office also serves as a resource for all UIS students who are interested in studying abroad through the Global Experience Program as part of their academic program. Information on options and UIS policies and procedures affecting study abroad is available in the office and on the office's web page.

International affairs is located in CPV 169 and is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday; phone (217) 206-6678. E-mail: [jgold1@uis.edu](mailto:jgold1@uis.edu);

or visit [www.uis.edu/internationalstudentaffairs/index.htm](http://www.uis.edu/internationalstudentaffairs/index.htm).

## OFFICE OF MINORITY STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Office of Minority Student Affairs helps students of color meet their educational, personal, social, and cultural needs by organizing support activities (workshops, seminars, etc.) that motivate students toward self-affirmation and community involvement. Information on minority organizations, both on and off campus, as well as minority businesses, churches, and community services, may be obtained through the office. The office also publishes a bi-monthly online newsletter, *The Common Bond*. Activities sponsored through the center include an annual welcome reception, Kwanzaa celebration, cultural fest, and MLK Unity March.

**The Minority Leadership in Public Service Program** is designed to attract academically strong minority students with an interest in public service. The program is a two-year educational experience in an academic program, coupled with an internship experience in a work setting, that culminates in a bache-


lor's degree. To be selected for this program you must have achieved an overall grade-point average of B or better (3.00+) and must submit two letters of recommendation and an essay. A committee of UIS faculty and admissions staff make the final selection. Minority Leadership in Public Service students receive full financial aid packages combining federal and state grants with institutional funds.

Other programs administered through the office include information and applications for the U of I Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP). The office also serves as a liaison/advocate for students who need assistance with academic, social, cultural, and personal concerns.

The office is located in CPV 161, and is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (later by appointment). For additional information, phone (217) 206-6333, fax (217) 206-7252, e-mail [omsa@uis.edu](mailto:omsa@uis.edu), or visit [www.uis.edu/minoritystudentaffairs/](http://www.uis.edu/minoritystudentaffairs/).

## PARKING

Full-time and part-time students, faculty, and staff who use the campus parking lots are required to purchase parking decals and display them on their vehi-



cles. Decals are sold at the Bursar's Office. You may purchase two decals without presenting vehicle ownership information. If you need decals for more than two vehicles, you must present a current vehicle registration card for each additional vehicle to the Bursar's Office .

## **PETITION PROCESS**

This catalog contains several references to the student petition form. Some of the more common uses of this form are requests for course overload, petitions for credit, and various requests for waivers. In general, the student petition form may be used to request an exception to any campus policy.

## **RECREATION**

The Campus Recreational Sports program includes informal, open recreation, intramural sports, fitness and instructional programs, outings and trips, sports clubs, and special events. Both structured and non-structured activities are offered. Recreational equipment is available for check-out. The Fitness Center offers free weights, dumbbells, individual selectorized weight machines, recumbent and upright bicycles, stair steppers, ellipticals, and treadmills. Lockers and

showers are available and are accessible to those whose mobility is impaired. The gym is available for basketball, volleyball, badminton, aerobics, running, or walking. Outdoor facilities include four tennis courts, recreational sports fields, a lighted sand volleyball court, two lighted basketball courts, and a softball field.

Nearby Lake Springfield offers two public beaches, fishing facilities, public boat launching docks, parks and picnic areas, and a children's zoo. One public golf course is located near the lake, with seven others scattered around the city. The Abraham Lincoln Memorial Garden, located on the lake shore, features nature trails that wind through 60 acres of trees, shrubs, and flowers native to the Midwest of Lincoln's time.

The Fitness Center and gym are located in the Student Life Building. The Campus Recreational Sports office is in the Fitness Center in SLB 118.

## **STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE (SAC)**

The Student Activities Committee is a standing committee of the Student Government Association that provides social, recreational, and cultural activities to enhance student life on campus. Events that have be-

come part of the UIS tradition include Welcome Week, Homecoming, Springfest, and the annual graduation celebration. SAC also hosts a variety of other activities including comedy nights, casino nights, live music, movies, and more. You are encouraged to take part in these and other events. For more information contact the Office of Student Life in SLB 22 or call (217) 206-6665.

## **STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

The Student Government Association is an integral part of the campus governance structure and is a primary conduit for student input and advice regarding campus policy and procedure. The SGA appoints students to a variety of campuswide committees and maintains several standing committees of its own. Among the standing committees are the Inter-Club Council Board, which coordinates the registered student clubs and provides supplementary funding through the special activity grant program, and the Student Activities Committee, which is the primary student activity programming body.

The SGA consists of six officers (including the president and the student representative to the Board

of Trustees) and 15 student senators. Elections are held each fall and spring. For more information about the SGA or any of its programs, stop by the Student Life Office in SLB 22, or call (217) 206-6665.

## STUDENT GRIEVANCES

If you have a grievance about the application of campus policy, academic or non-academic, you should attempt to seek informal resolution of the matter with the faculty or staff member involved or, if necessary, with the help of the immediate supervisor of the faculty/staff member. If such informal procedures fail to resolve the matter in an equitable manner, you may initiate a formal grievance procedure. Contact the Office of the Dean of Students for information about the process.

## STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE

If you are a full-time (12 hours or more) student, you will be assessed a fee for group health and accident insurance unless you show proof of equivalent coverage (see below). Peoria students are not assessed a fee for insurance unless all or a portion of their course load includes classes on the Springfield campus.

Part-time (6 to 11 hours) students are also eligible

to participate in the insurance program by completing an enrollment form and paying the required insurance fee. Applications are available at the Office of Human Resources or the Bursar's Office. Established deadlines to enroll in the student insurance program are published each semester in the course schedule.

UIS-insured students may purchase identical coverage for dependents. If you are insured during the spring semester, you may continue coverage for yourself and your dependents through the following summer even if you are not enrolled during the summer term. (To ensure summer coverage, you must make application and pay the required premium before the last day of spring semester. Applications are available at the Office of Human Resources or the Bursar's Office.)

You will be required to provide the Office of Human Resources with proof of equivalent insurance coverage to waive university-provided student insurance. Proof must be submitted only to Human Resources either in person, by fax, or postmarked U.S. mail no later than the established deadline. Proof may include a current insurance card, letter of verification from your insurance carrier on company letterhead, or a certificate of coverage. Human Resources will

keep a copy of this proof and will provide you with a receipt showing satisfactory completion of the student insurance process.

You may request a one-time student insurance exemption when you have full-time status. An exemption will continue in effect until you request reinstatement to the plan or do not respond to a periodic request to confirm that you continue to be covered by another health plan. You may become eligible for reinstatement to the university's policy within 30 days of the loss of other insurance coverage. Proof of cancellation is required at the time of application. Semester fees will not be pro-rated. Only the Office of Human Resources will accept and issue student insurance exemptions and reinstatements.

If you withdraw from school or drop to part-time (11 hours or less) status during the semester for which coverage was purchased (usually the first 10 days), you will not be covered under the policy and a full refund of the premium will be made. If you drop or withdraw later than 10 days after the beginning of the semester, you will remain covered under the policy for the full period for which the premium has been paid and no refund will be available. For more information contact the Office of Human Resources at (217) 206-7095.



## OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE

The Office of Student Life, located in SLB 22, coordinates and supports a wide variety of extra-curricular programs and services for you. These include advising the Student Government Association and its associated groups, providing registration and support services for student clubs and organizations, and managing the Student Center. The office also provides a variety of student leadership, development, and volunteer programs and other activities. You are encouraged to visit the Office of Student Life if you are interested in being active and involved in on-campus activities.

## STUDENT RECORDS POLICY

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act gives you the right to inspect and review your official UIS records, to request amendments of items that are inaccurate or misleading, and to limit access to such records. You also have the right to withhold the disclosure of directory information. You have the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by this campus to comply with the requirements of FERPA. For additional information and the entire policy or to complete a nondisclosure form, contact the Office of Admissions and Records by calling (217) 206-6709.

## OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED LEARNING

OTEL provides technical assistance to faculty members developing online classes; promotes campus use of the Internet to enhance learning, scholarship, and service; and coordinates the development of Internet-based classes and programs at UIS. As part of the University of Illinois Online initiative, OTEL facilitates technology collaboration with the other campuses and central administration of the University of Illinois. Contact the Office of Technology-Enhanced Learning at (217) 206-7317 for details on specific online efforts, or visit <http://otel.uis.edu>.

OTEL is located in HRB 78. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., telephone (217) 206-7173. Information concerning UIS' online programs and courses and a course directory is available at <http://online.uis.edu>.

## TRANSPORTATION

The Springfield Mass Transit District provides bus transportation between the Springfield downtown area and the campus between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday; limited service is available on Saturday. You may ride the bus between UIS and Lincoln

Land Community College at no cost. Multi-ride discount passes are available at the Bursar's Office. Schedules and additional information are available from the Bursar's Office as well as the Student Life Office in the Student Center.

## WOMEN'S CENTER

The Women's Center educates the campus community about gender-related issues, addresses matters of particular concern for women, and promotes a campus climate that is safe, healthy, and respectful of all people.

The center enhances all students' academic experiences by offering information, support, referrals, advocacy, and programming on a variety of gender-related issues. Students may visit the center to take advantage of its resource files, videos, and magazines for academic or personal use. Students may also relax or socialize in the center's attractive lounge.

The Women's Center sponsors activities that support women's academic, cultural, and personal interests with a special focus on women's safety needs. The center promotes awareness, prevention, and intervention for sexual assault and domestic violence through such initiatives as the WhistlesSTOP program, Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) training, and The Clothes-

line Project. The center houses a comprehensive collection of brochures and resource information on such topics as acquaintance rape, date rape drugs, domestic violence, and sexual assault.

Initiatives sponsored by the Women's Center have included the Every Body is Beautiful art exhibit, A

World Free of Violence Against Women, and support of student-generated activities.

The center also administers the free Central Illinois Women's Action (CIWA) e-mail network, which shares news, postings, and events. Contact [ciwa@uis.edu](mailto:ciwa@uis.edu) for more information or to sign up.

The Women's Center is located in SAB 35. For more information, contact 206-7173 or e-mail [womenscenter@uis.edu](mailto:womenscenter@uis.edu).

