Learn. Lead. Shine.
THE BEST WAY TO PREDICT THE FUTURE IS TO CREATE IT.

–Abraham Lincoln


★ No. 1 public regional university in Illinois
★ No. 4 public regional university in the Midwest
★ No. 6 regional university in Illinois
★ Top 20% of performers on Social Mobility
★ Top 25% of regional universities in the Midwest

Consistently ranked among the top 15 regional public universities in the Midwest for over a decade, UIS is also among its Best Value Schools.
Mission

The University of Illinois Springfield, one of three universities that comprise the world-class University of Illinois System, provides a uniquely student-centered educational experience both in and out of the classroom through active learning, meaningful research and impactful civic engagement that prepares graduates to contribute fully to society.

Vision

University of Illinois Springfield will be a pathway to OPPORTUNITY, a catalyst for CHANGE and a space of POSSIBILITY where learners become ethical and passionate scholars, leaders and citizens capable of transforming their local and global communities.

Values

- Student-focused Teaching and Learning
- Integrity
- Inquiry
- Civic Engagement
- Diversity
- Strategic Thinking
- Accountability

UIS domestic students hail from 48 states, and the U.S. territories of Guam and Puerto Rico.
Accreditations

- American Chemical Society’s Committee on Professional Training
- Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business
- Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs
- Council on Social Work Education
- Higher Learning Commission
- Homeland Security National Center for Academic Excellence
- Honors Council of the Illinois Region
- Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association
- Illinois State Board of Education
- National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences
- National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement
- National Collegiate Honors Council
- National Environmental Health Science and Protection Accreditation Council
- National Security Agency
- Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration

STAR point

Founded in 1970 as Sangamon State University, UIS became part of the University of Illinois System in 1995.
UIS Results

UIS graduates are prepared to meet all new challenges, whether they choose to continue their education or join the workforce.

Employers

Undergraduates
- State of Illinois
- Memorial Health System
- Caterpillar
- Horace Mann Educators Corp.
- State Farm

Graduates
- Caterpillar
- IBM
- Microsoft
- Byte Sized Solutions
- Sangamon County
- Tuutkia

Continuing Education

Undergraduates
- DePaul University
- Eastern Illinois University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- University of Illinois System
- Western Illinois University

Graduates
- Syracuse University
- University of Florida
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- University of Illinois Springfield

The Career Development Center assists students with finding internships, resume writing, job search plans and more.
UIS Colleges:

- Business & Management
- Education & Human Services
- Liberal Arts & Sciences
- Public Affairs & Administration

Center for Academic Success

The Learning Hub supports UIS student success by providing assistance with writing skills, grammar, math, statistics, software applications, reading, studying and test-taking.

The Office of Advising Services Information and Support (OASIS) provides guidance on general education, majors, electives and university-required coursework.

Research Centers

- Center for State Policy and Leadership
- Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies
  - Illinois Innocence Project
- Norris L. Brookens Library
- Center for Online Learning, Research & Service (COLRS)
- Therkildsen Field Station at Emiquon
- Undergraduate Research Support Program

Brookens Library

UIS is one of 91 Illinois institutions that share online catalogs for reciprocal borrowing. UIS students can borrow from more than 38 million items and even have them delivered! Brookens also provides consultation services with expert librarians and access to nationwide libraries through interlibrary loan, offered at no cost to UIS students.

- Physical Books: 352,668
- Ebooks: 215,723
- Cloud Library Ebooks: 1,026
- Physical Media: 6,466
- Feature Films: 2,492
- Digital Media: 25,112
- Cloud Library eAudiobooks: 223
- Physical Serials: 9,513
- Digital Serials: 14,928
Get the **STAR** treatment no matter where you are

**UIS Online**
Approved in all 50 states to offer 52 fully online/blended undergraduate and graduate programs.

- Flexibility; tailored for working *adults*
- Personal attention, tech support & one-on-one faculty advising
- Same faculty and rigor as on-campus
- Online program coordinators who help you get connected throughout your educational journey
- Deeply discounted E-tuition rate

**Online, Professional and Engaged Learning**
- Center for Online Learning, Research and Service
- Office of Engaged Learning
  - Study Away
  - Internships and Prior Learning Credit
- Continuing and Professional Education
  - Short-term non-credit professional development courses

**U.S. News and World Report (2020)**
- Best Online Graduate Business Programs (Excluding MBA)
- Best Online Bachelor’s Programs
- Best Online Graduate Education Programs
- Best Online Bachelor’s Programs for Veterans

**UIS Peoria**
A satellite location since 1975, offering select undergraduate classes at Illinois Central College to provide a University of Illinois degree with flexibility, affordability and convenience.

**University Center of Lake County (UCLC)**
UIS is a member of UCLC, which provides bachelor completion, graduate, and advanced professional development programs at multiple sites. Classes, scheduled and delivered to appeal to **ADULT LEARNERS**, are offered evenings and weekends, face-to-face, online, blended, and via interactive video.

**Geographic Information Systems Lab**
Beyond the Classroom

At UIS, undergraduate and graduate students complement their classroom experience through research and unique laboratories.

Academic Facilities

- Astronomy Observatory
- Mock Courtroom
- NPR Radio
- TV Studio
- Visual Arts Gallery

Field Stations

- Lake Springfield
- Therkildsen at Emiquon Nature Preserve

Laboratories

- Child Advocacy Residential Simulation
- Cyber Terrorism
- Exercise Science
- Geographic Information Systems
- Nursing Simulation
- Photography
- Multimedia

STAR point

Emiquon is the 7,000-acre historic wetland that’s one of the largest floodplain restoration projects in the U.S.!

Innovate Springfield

links students and community members to the resources and activities within the University of Illinois System through the Discovery Partners Institute in Chicago and the statewide Illinois Innovation Network.
Transfer Students
go.uis.edu/tr

Typically transfer applicants with a 2.0 and 30+ college level credit hours are admissible.

**Transfer Student Profile**

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**Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Transfer Scholarships** may be available for select, eligible members of PTK who’ve earned an associate’s degree from an Illinois community college.

**Transfer Merit Scholarships**

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**Community College Friendly**

- **16** joint agreements
- More than **50** 2+2 advising guide agreements
- Transfer guides for **every** community college in Illinois
- UIS Peoria office at Illinois Central College
- City Colleges of Chicago scholarship

**Get started online**

- itransfer.org: get a transfer student checklist and learn how Illinois makes transferring easy
- TransferREADY.org: learn transfer basics and dispel transfer myths
- Transferology.com: get your college transfer questions answered

**Veterans**

We accept these military/veteran transfer credits:
- American Council on Education (ACE)
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST)

**STAR points**

- **60%** of enrolled undergraduates are transfer students.
- UIS offers **14** online bachelor degree completion programs.
- UIS is a member of the University Center at Lake County.
- Transfer applicants can complete their degree audit during admission, not after!
The Graduate Experience

Full-time graduate students benefit from the flexibility UIS offers as much as our part-time students who are working and raising families. Evening classes, financial assistance and caring professors will help you balance it all.

Typically, a GPA minimum of 3.0 is needed for admission. On average, GPAs range from 2.75–3.45. Visit uis.edu/graduateeducation to view specific graduate admission requirements. Applying for admission to graduate school at UIS is easy and application fees will be waived for applicants planning to join us in spring, summer or fall 2020.

At UIS, leadership is lived every day, and, the leadership you live each day at home, school and work is the perfect experience for our programs, so skip the tests!

Graduate admission exams

No Exam Required
- Accountancy
- Athletic Training
- Communication
- Computer Science
- Data Analytics
- Educational Leadership
- Environmental Sciences
- Human Development Counseling
- Human Services
- Legal Studies
- Liberal and Integrative Studies
- Master of Arts in Education
- Political Science
- Public Affairs Reporting

Exam May Be Required
- GMAT, for MBA applicants without supervisory experience
- GRE, for History applicants who don’t submit a writing sample and statement of purpose
- GMAT or GRE unless Management Information Systems applicants have a 3.0+ GPA, graduate degree or five years of experience
- GRE is encouraged for Doctor of Public Administration applicants
- Master of Public Administration
- GRE, for Master of Public Administration applicants with a GPA of 2.49 or less
The Graduate Public Service Internship (GPSI) program places UIS students with state or local government and non-profit agencies for which interns earn:

- A tuition waiver
- Partial fee waiver
- Stipend

Sample placements:

- Illinois Auditor General
- Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
- Sangamon County Health Department
- Illinois Emergency Management Agency
- Office of the Attorney General

go.uis.edu/GPSI

Graduate Assistantships are also available. For more information: go.uis.edu/GA

Public Affairs Reporting

UIS has a highly competitive, nationally renowned master’s degree program in Public Affairs Reporting that offers real reporting experience in the Illinois Statehouse press corps.

go.uis.edu/PAR

Master’s Student Profile

- Male: 48%
- Female: 52%
- Full-time: 33%
- Part-time: 67%
- Average Age: 33
- Asian: 6%
- Black: 10%
- Latino: 4%
- Multiracial: 2%
- International: 19%
- Campus: 53%
- Online: 47%
- Degree-seeking: 90%
- Non-degree seeking: 10%
UIS international students hail from **45** countries, including:

- India
- China
- Nigeria
- United Kingdom
- Saudi Arabia
- Vietnam
- The Gambia
- Republic of Korea

**English Proficiency Requirement**

- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
- International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
- Pearson Test of English (PTE)

**Undergraduate**

TOEFL 61; IELTS 5.0; PTE 50

**Graduate**

TOEFL 79; IELTS 6.0; PTE 65

**International Merit Scholarships**

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**Application Deadlines**

Prepare 6–8 weeks in advance to ensure all needed documentation arrives by noted deadlines.

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<td>Nov. 1</td>
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<td>Summer</td>
<td>June</td>
<td>April 1</td>
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Courses with Curricular Practical Training (CPT) programs eligible for **24-month STEM extension** and Optional Practical Training (OPT) support are available at UIS.
UIS Student Profile

Total 4,275

66% On Campus

34% Online

Male 48%

Female 52%

Part-time 45%

Full-time 55%

DIVERSITY

Asian 5%

Latino 8%

Black 13%

Multiracial 3%

International 9%

Degree-seeking 95%

29 Average Age

UIS Class Sizes

30–40: 12%

Less than 10: 18%

10–20: 36%

20–30: 30%

More than 40: 4%

More than 100: 0%

The average college graduate can expect to earn about $1 million more than the average high school graduate over a lifetime.”
— U.S. Census Bureau

93% of undergraduates and 87% of graduates are employed, performing service, in the military or continuing their education. (* of those for whom career outcomes are known; 64% of undergraduates and 50% of graduates)

31 Bachelor’s degrees

21 Master’s degrees

1 Doctoral degree

13:1 Student – Faculty ratio

86% of faculty hold highest degree in their field

52 Online options
On average, ACT scores range from 20–27 and SAT scores range from 990–1218. Applying for admission to UIS is easy and free. Skip the essay and the application fee!

**Freshmen Student Profile**

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**High School RANK**

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**High School GPA**

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**Priority Application Review Dates**

Feb. 15
March 15
Lincoln/AIM HIGH Merit Scholarships for UIS Freshmen

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Capital Scholars Honors Program
uis.edu/caphonors

The mission of the Capital Scholars Honors Program is to provide a challenging, interdisciplinary, educational experience in which well-qualified, motivated students gain understanding and leadership skills to engage the world.

On average, freshman honors students score 28 on the ACT and 1310 on the SAT.

Students admitted to the Capital Scholars Honors Program receive a scholarship that takes the place of the Lincoln Merit Award. Those scholarships tend to be higher than the Lincoln Awards, ranging from $5,000 to a full scholarship.

More Freshman Honors Scholarships

- Merit Award
- Dean’s Award
- Provost’s Award
- Chancellor’s Award

The President’s Award Program is a scholarship initiative for campus diversity that offers high-achieving students $5,000 or $10,000 awards.
Athletics

- NCAA Division II
- Great Lakes Valley Conference
- 15 Sports Teams

■ 7 Men’s
  - Baseball
  - Basketball
  - Cross Country
  - Golf
  - Soccer
  - Tennis
  - Track & Field

■ 8 Women's
  - Basketball
  - Cross Country
  - Golf
  - Soccer
  - Softball
  - Tennis
  - Track & Field
  - Volleyball

Select students may be eligible for partial athletic merit scholarships.

The Recreation & Athletic Center (TRAC)

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Say “yes” to ResLife at UIS

Our on-campus housing includes
- Wi-fi (high-speed internet access in every room)
- Cable (120+ channels including HBO, and the NFL & Big 10 networks)
- So much parking, even freshmen can bring cars!
- ADA suites
- Security 24/7 every day
- Full-time resident directors
- Fully staffed front desk
- Emergency alert system and kiosks throughout campus
- Free laundry

Residence Halls
- Key card access
- Video monitoring of entrances/exits
- Living-learning communities
- Suite-style rooms
- Furnished
- Lounges and classrooms just steps outside your door
Lincoln Residence Hall

Townhouses
- Four private bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Cathedral ceiling
- Full kitchen
- Furnished

Apartments
- Newly renovated
- One-, two- and four-bedrooms
- Furnished and unfurnished
- Private bedrooms available
- Full kitchen
- One- and two-bathrooms

More Options
- Family housing
- Gender-inclusive housing
- International housing
- Graduate housing

STAR point
Housing contracts are due Dec. 1 for spring and June 1 for fall.
UIS fosters an inclusive community, supportive of academic and

**Equity & Inclusion**
- Diversity Center
- Gender & Sexuality Student Services
- Hispanic/Latinx Initiative
- Women’s Center

**Student Services**
- Counseling
- Disability
- Health
- Career

**Student Resources**
- Bookstore
- Campus Recreation
- Greek Life
- Pre-law Center
- Veterans Affairs

**STAR point**
The Necessary Steps mentoring program is a living-learning community established to transition first-generation students through the challenges and demands of college life.
personal growth through progressive and collaborative experiences.

**Student Union**
- Food court and dining
- Starbucks
- Foosball table
- Gaming room
- Darts
- Flat screen TVs
- Pool table
- Ballroom
- Student Leadership Center

**STAR point**
The Cox Children’s Center, a resource for university students, faculty, staff, alumni and community, is licensed through the State of Illinois and holds voluntary accreditation through the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

**Greek Life**

**Student Union Starbucks**

**Student Union**
Our students, faculty, staff and alumni demonstrate Leadership Lived every day through the more than 130 on-campus clubs and organizations, community volunteerism and more.

Our 43,000 global alumni know what it takes to be leaders in their communities, serving as staff attorneys, senior financial analysts, chief financial officers, teachers, software developers and CEOs. Together, UIS students and alumni add an impressive $176 million to the local economy.

Geographically positioned within the heart of the state, UIS offers students, agencies and corporations engagement and partnerships in a variety of entrepreneurial ventures and social innovations.
UIS Student Representatives to the University of Illinois System Board of Trustees with President Timothy Killeen.
The City of Springfield

Big-city amenities, small-town charm

Capital of Illinois

Home of 16th U.S. President, Abraham Lincoln

Population 120,000

Home to our 746-acre campus

200 miles southwest of Chicago

100 MILES NORTHEAST OF ST. LOUIS

Getting around

- Public bus transportation
- Amtrak station
- Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport

Lake Springfield
Springfield

- Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum
- Zoo
- Botanical gardens
- Nine public golf courses
- International cuisine and grocery stores
- Lake Springfield

Regular bus service is provided from the UIS campus to the mall, downtown area, and to other points around the city.

visitspringfieldillinois.com
Admission

UIS Institutional Codes
FAFSA: 009333
ACT: 1137
AP, CLEP, SAT: 0834
GRE, GMAT, TOEFL: 1787

CAP Honors
All applicants that meet the honors program profile must submit a personal statement detailing their professional aspirations, intellectual interests, and personal experiences. The honors program will extend invitations to join its community after university admission.

Rolling Admission
Although UIS Admission encourages students to submit their applications ASAP — keeping in mind the priority application review dates for best consideration for scholarships, housing, roommates and course scheduling — students may apply at any time through the start of classes. Applicants typically hear from the Office of Admission two weeks after completing the application. Online programs may have different deadlines; visit uis.edu/online.

Preview UIS

go.uis.edu/visit

Preview UIS is an opportunity for prospective freshman, transfer, graduate and online students to interact with Admission and other UIS staff/faculty, sit in on an overview of the university and admission, collect reference materials, and get questions answered.

Join us
✦ Preview UIS
  • President’s day
  • Saturday, March 28
  • Thursday, July 23
✦ Weekly information sessions
✦ Individual and group visits
✦ Monthly webinars

Meet UIS on the road
Go to apply.uis.edu/portal/travel to see when we’ll be in your area.
Financial Aid

Did You Know?
✧ During the 2017–2018 academic year, UIS undergrads averaged $18,370 in need and non-need based financial assistance, making the cost for the average freshman $5,593.
✧ UIS tuition rate is guaranteed at the time of enrollment for all four years.
✧ Tuition hasn’t increased in five years.
✧ Almost 70% of all UIS students receive some financial aid.

Current UIS Tuition and Fees

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These figures are for fall 2019 and are subject to change by the University of Illinois Board of Trustees. New rates for the fall are typically shared in the spring.

What You Pay at UIS

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Institutional Scholarships

Each year, students applying for admission to UIS are invited to join current UIS students in applying for over 300 private scholarships totaling $630,000.

UIS Orchestra

79% resident undergraduates pay less than full tuition and fees.