

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Business student organizations are an important part of the college and provide valuable interaction, knowledge and experience for those who participate. The networking opportunities provided to members have proven year after year to be one of the best sources of job opportunities upon graduation. Students in the college are encouraged to survey the available organizations and to join at least one student group.

Accounting Society is an organization for students who are interested in business, with an emphasis on accounting. This organization allows its members the opportunity to gain practical experience and enhance their leadership and communication skills through their participation. rso.business.siu.edu/acctsoc

American Marketing Association is a national organization. An understanding of marketing concepts is stressed along with social interaction and community service. rso.business.siu.edu/ama

American Production and Inventory Control Society (APICS) is the premier professional association for supply chain and operations management. (Department of Management)

ASCEND is open to all undergraduate and graduate students from all majors who seek to focus exclusively on the business leadership potential of pan-Asian professionals. Programs include mentorship programs, leadership training, ongoing résumé and interview critiques, company visits, networking events and professional/technical development. ascendleadership.org

Asian Business Association (ABA) is a student organization open to all ethnicities and majors that is devoted to encouraging the professional development of Asian, Asian-American and other ethnic minorities in the field of business at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. For more information, contact Saiying Deng at sdeng@business.siu.edu.

Beta Alpha Psi is a business fraternity for accounting majors. To be eligible for membership, one must maintain a 3.0 grade point average and have an interest in the field of accounting. The organization's goals include encouraging scholastic and professional excellence, providing opportunities for association with practicing accountants and promoting participation with the College of Business. rso.business.siu.edu/bap

Beta Gamma Sigma is the national honor society for business students who are enrolled in AACSB-accredited colleges. Membership is by invitation only and is limited to those students in the top of their junior and senior classes. For more information, contact Greg DeYong at gdeyong@business.siu.edu.

Blacks Interested in Business (BIB) is open to any student, regardless of major, who is interested in business. Through its activities, workshops and seminars, its goal is to motivate, inspire and improve the self-confidence, self-esteem and self-development of its members. For more information, contact Marc Morris at memorris@business.siu.edu.

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Business Leadership Council is the coordinating organization for the College of Business student body. The council provides its constituents with a vital link between the administration, faculty and students, and provides substantive input for the policies and planning of the college. The council provides students with a variety of activities and service opportunities throughout the year. For more information, contact Dennis Nasco at dnasco@business.siu.edu. **rso.business.siu.edu/blc**

The Financial Management Association is for students interested in finance and investments. It provides its members with investment knowledge, social activities and awareness of employment opportunities. **rso.business.siu.edu/fma**

Hispanic Business Association (HBA) is a student organization dedicated to promoting Hispanic culture and diversity by providing a platform for business prospects within our communities. HBA reaches out to all individuals from different majors and ethnicities and provides them with advancement opportunities through leading organization initiatives that will educate, connect and prepare members for the corporate world. HBA provides students an opportunity to network with professionals, local entrepreneurs and corporate recruiters to get insights into different careers and industries.

National Association of Black Accountants is the leader in expanding the influence of minority professionals in the fields of accounting and finance. Established in 1969, the association strives to promote and develop the professional skills of its members, to encourage and assist minority students in entering the accounting profession and, among other goals, to represent the interests of current and prospective minority accounting professionals. **rso.business.siu.edu/naba**

Collegiate Future Business Leaders of America (Phi Beta Lambda) is a student organization, open to any major, that helps build leadership, competitiveness and social skills needed in today's business world. It is a national organization associated with Future Business Leaders of America. **rso.business.siu.edu/pbl**

Pi Sigma Epsilon is recognized nationwide as one of the most esteemed professional fraternities available. It concentrates on improving student skills in sales and marketing and is open to all majors. All members of the organization work together as a team to help each other with academic and professional enhancement. It offers optional social activities and conducts fundraisers for charitable causes, as well as for travel to regional and national conventions. The organization has excellent alumni contacts and corporate sponsors. Joining this organization will assist students in becoming more knowledgeable about the business community, the marketing profession, SIU life in general and much more. New members are recruited at the start of each semester. rso.business.siu.edu/pse

Project Management Institute (PMI) is the premier international organization that seeks to identify, extend, unify and communicate knowledge in information technology, information systems and information management. The Project Management Institute (PMI) advances the practice, science and profession of project management throughout the world in a conscientious and proactive manner. PMI is a unique student organization that can benefit students of all majors across the university. For more information, contact James H. Nelson at nelson.j@business.siu.edu.

Saluki Entrepreneur Corps works with the Center for Innovation, Small Business Development Center and the Southern Illinois Entrepreneurship Center “to inform, support and inspire college students to be entrepreneurial and seek opportunity through enterprise creation.” The organization is open to all majors. rso.business.siu.edu/salukiceo

Saluki Student Investment Fund provides students at SIU with hands-on experience in portfolio management and investment research. This includes managing a portion of the SIU Foundation portfolio with a midcap core strategy, as well as investing to maximize long-term capital appreciation. rso.business.siu.edu/ssif

Society for the Advancement of Management provides students with the opportunity to develop management and leadership skills and to get a broad look at what business and management are all about. RSO activities allow students to gain invaluable leadership experience. rso.business.siu.edu/sam

Women’s Business Association (WBA) is a student organization devoted to encouraging the success of women in business. This organization is open to men and women of all majors. WBA wants to inform, connect and prepare individuals for the corporate world by providing them with advancement opportunities through leading organization initiatives. WBA provides students an opportunity to network with professionals, local entrepreneurs and corporate recruiters to gain insights into different careers and industries. rso.business.siu.edu/wba