# SIU's Saluki Step Ahead:

#### What is it?

Saluki Step Ahead offers a unique opportunity for transfer students to complete their baccalaureate degree *completely online* in the select programs. Saluki Step Ahead allows students to apply to SIU early, secure a predetermined degree track, and complete a bachelor's degree all at a lower cost.

### Benefits

- Early admittance into SIU
- 4-year outlined degree track
- Personalized assistance from an Admissions Coordinator
- \$8000 scholarship (\$4000/year for two years)
- Must maintain good academic standing

# **Participation Details**

In order to qualify for Saluki Step Ahead, a student must:

- Attend a partner institution
- Apply during first year at community college
- Graduate with AA/AS/AAS degree with a minimum of 2.0 GPA

Enter into a Saluki Step Ahead partner online program:

- <u>Accounting</u>
- Business & Administration
- <u>Criminology and Criminal Justice</u>
- Health Information Management
- History
- Industrial Management and Applied Engineering
- Nursing (RN to BSN)
- <u>Radiologic Sciences</u> (Co-op program with Carl Sandburg College)
- Coming Soon: Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Information Technology and Psychology.

#### How to Apply

Students who wish to apply will need to complete the <u>Application for Undergraduate Admission</u>. To ensure consideration for Saluki Step Ahead, students will need to:

- List the Illinois community college you are attending
- Choose a Saluki Step Ahead major.
- Choose the term that he or she intends to transfer to SIU.
- Submit the necessary credentials to be admitted to the SIU (see below).

# Students with 12 or more transferable semester hours of credit must:

- Submit official college transcripts from every college or university attended.
- Have at least a 2.0/4.0 cumulative GPA (as calculated by SIU).
- Be eligible to continue enrollment at the last institution attended.

Students with less than 12 transferable semester hours of credit must:

- Submit official college transcripts from every college or university attended.
- Have at least a 2.0/4.0 cumulative GPA (as calculated by SIU).
- Be eligible to continue enrollment at the last institution attended.
- Must meet freshman admission criteria for SIU.
- Submit official high school transcripts for review.

Once conditionally admitted, the student will be contacted by the Undergraduate Admissions Office to start the Saluki Step Ahead program!

Get more information regarding the Saluki Step Ahead program.