

## Chapter 9 – Student Programs and Services

Southern Utah University provides a variety of services, programs, and activities to help students obtain the maximum benefit from their university experience; most are free for currently enrolled students. Described below, these services, programs, and activities are grouped alphabetically in the following categories.

### **Academic and Student Support Services** **Family and Health** **Student Involvement** **Sharwan Smith Center Services**

Southern Utah University's Student Services staff supports the mission of the University by:

- Fostering a learning environment for students and members of the University by providing quality services, and individual and institutional support.
- Providing programs and services designed to acknowledge the value of each individual and through personal example promote fairness, integrity, and personal responsibility.
- Encouraging students to develop personal skills and abilities that enhance their enjoyment of and success in life and by providing opportunities for students to broaden their social, cultural and intellectual perspectives.
- Offering programs that challenge students to think critically, to provide service to others and to become responsible, caring members of society.

Under the direction of the Vice President for Student Services, a number of programs and services are offered to help students experience the opportunities set forth in the statement above.

### **ACADEMIC AND STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

#### **ADMISSIONS**

The Admissions Office, located in the Sharwan Smith Student Center, provides prospective students with information needed to apply and plan their academic future. Admissions Counselors assist students in preparing for college at SUU.

The Admissions Office Welcome Center hosts campus tours and several on-campus events each year. Other recruitment and public relations functions are also organized and/or sponsored by this office.

The Admissions Office involves students directly in the leadership aspect of the recruitment process through the Presidential Ambassador program. The Presidential Ambassador program is a prestigious student organization designed to host dignitaries, help with special events for the President's Office, give campus tours and participate in the recruitment of high school leaders.

Please refer to Chapter 3 for more information on Admissions Office services.

#### **CAREER SERVICES**

Career Services, in Sharwan Smith Center 101, assists students and alumni with student employment; professional/career employment; education credential files; internships; and career counseling.

- Job listings are posted daily on the web-based SUU CareerNet: <http://www.suu.edu/ss/career> and a part-time job board in ST 101. Job listings include: part-time and professional job openings for students and graduates, as well as internship opportunities.

- Current elementary and secondary teaching positions, notices of education employment fairs and on-campus interviews are posted daily:  
<http://www.suu.edu/ss/career/internet/teacherjobs.html>
- A career library with books, directories, and employer brochures, provides information on career choices, resume writing, interviewing skills, job search strategy, and company research.
- Career counseling (individually, in small groups, and using the Choices computerized career planning program) is available by appointment.
- Semi-annual Career and Summer Jobs/Internship Fairs are open to all students each school year.
- On-campus interviews with employer representatives are scheduled through Career Services. The interview calendar is posted on the Career Services web-site and on bulletin boards.
- Students who wish to participate in on-campus interviews must register with Career Services. Teacher Education students must complete a credential file before interviewing.
- Job Search Workshops are scheduled each semester. See Career Services web-site for specific information.
- Each student must assume primary responsibility for the achievement of his/her own employment goals, and must be willing to conduct thorough research, to prepare carefully, and to travel sufficiently to bring those goals to fruition. Career services personnel are happy to provide individual and group assistance to support this process.

### **COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES**

The Department of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) provides leadership and vision for rapidly changing student development needs across campus. CAPS exists to help students develop a balanced and effective approach to their academic pursuits by broadly addressing developmental needs associated with campus culture, as well as specifically addressing personal, social, career, and academic challenges of SUU students. These services are designed to help students understand themselves, create and maintain meaningful and satisfying relationships, improve their academic performance, and make satisfying career and life choices.

Individual, couples and group counseling are available on a first come first serve basis, to single or married students for a broad spectrum of needs. Additionally, outreach and consultation services are available and aim to provide preventative education and early identification of common mental health problems. Our goal is to act as initiators and catalysts, as well as provide a method for individual, organizational, and social change across the campus and community. This change process is a critical component of the University as we seek to encourage the development of an accurate and powerful identity for individuals, the University, and the community. For additional information or to make an appointment, please call (435) 865-8621. All services are confidential.

### **STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER**

For more information about academic advising, university orientation, First Year Experience, testing, tutoring services, and academic probation, refer to the Student Success Center in Chapter 12.

## STUDENT SUPPORT CENTER

The Student Support Center comprises a unique combination of five separate programs which work together to offer services to students. Student Support Services, Talent Search, and Services for Students with Disabilities are located on the second floor of the Sharwan Smith Center in ST 206. Multicultural Center is located across from Thunderbird Circle dining in ST 107 and Upward Bound is located on the main floor of the Multipurpose Building. Each program is designed to help students develop the personal, academic, and professional skills they need to enhance individual growth, adjust to college life, and prepare for a career.

### *Multicultural Center (MCC)*

The Multicultural Center in ST 107 is located across from Thunderbird Circle Dining and provides personal, academic, financial and career counseling to ethnic minority students at SUU. Students are assisted with their adjustment to college life, and are encouraged to use the academic support services available on campus. The MCC also serves as a liaison between various tribal, state, and federal agencies.

To further enrich cultural understanding, the MCC encourages the participation of all interested faculty, staff, and students in various multicultural activities. The Native American Student Association, Hispanic Club, Asian Club, International Club, Black Student Alliance, and Polynesian Club co-sponsor special campus events such as the Miss Native American Pageant SUU, International Week, Black History Month, Native American Week, and a Polynesian Luau. The staff of the MCC is readily available for consultation, and coordinates numerous workshops, demonstrations, and displays dealing with international, Native American, African-American, Pacific Island, and Hispanic cultures as a campus and community service. The MCC also promotes the development of ethnic-oriented curriculum by furnishing panels and workshops on minority cultures, languages, and current issues.

### *Disabled Student Services*

The Americans with Disabilities Act and the Rehabilitation Act guarantee equal access, equal opportunity and non-discrimination for people with disabilities. SUU is committed to supporting both the intent and spirit of these laws. To identify and provide necessary support services and accommodations as soon as possible, students with disabilities are encouraged to visit the Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities in the Sharwan Smith Center ST 206 as soon as they are admitted to Southern Utah University.

Faculty are required to provide the following ADA description of disability accommodations on their syllabi: Students with medical, psychological, learning or other disabilities desiring academic adjustments, accommodations or auxiliary aids will need to contact the Southern Utah University Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities (DSS), in Room 206F of the Sharwan Smith Center or phone (435) 865-8022. The Office for Students with Disabilities determines eligibility for and authorizes the provision of services.

### *Student Support Services*

Student Support Services is funded through the U.S. Department of Education. This program is designed to provide equal access and opportunity to postsecondary education for educationally and economically disadvantaged students and students with disabilities. Student Support Services provides eligible SUU students developmental and college-level instruction and special services designed to increase their retention and graduation rates; to maximize their social, cultural and academic adjustment within the University environment; and to assist in the achievement of their academic and

career goals. These services include developmental classes in English (ENGL1000) and in math (MATH 0950, 0990), and also Math 1010, Math 1050, tutorial services, and individualized academic and personal skills development.

### *Talent Search*

Talent Search at Southern Utah University provides early intervention services to 650 southern Utah students in grades 6 through 12. Its purpose is to help students better understand their educational opportunities and options, and prepare them for post secondary education. Participants receive information about college admission requirements, scholarships, and various financial aid programs. Project activities include assessment of each participant's academic needs; ACT seminars, career and financial aid counseling; academic guidance, college tours, and leadership activities to keep students in school and focused on career and college success.

### *Upward Bound*

Upward Bound is a federal program serving 100 students from high schools in southern Utah and northern Arizona. Its mission is to provide opportunities for participants to succeed in pre-college performance and ultimately higher education pursuits. Tutoring and counseling services throughout the school year are offered to these students to help them develop the skills and motivation needed for academic success in high school and entrance into postsecondary programs. Twice each year these students spend a weekend at SUU attending selected workshops. They are also provided with the opportunity to tour college campuses in their home state. A six-week summer campus residential component prepares them for college life. The Upward Bound offices are located in the Multipurpose Center.

## FAMILY AND HEALTH

### *Veterans' Services*

Veterans attending SUU and pursuing a four-year degree or an AAS degree may receive benefits from the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Students who have completed six months of basic and advance training for military service may be eligible for course credit. Please check with the SUU Veterans' Office listed below for an evaluation. SUU participates with the veteran and the Department of Veterans' Affairs in all educational benefits offered. Programs change; therefore, contact with the veterans' coordinator, SUU Registrar's Office, Sharwan Smith Center 166A, (435) 586-7715, is crucial to getting benefits in a timely manner.

### *Student Health Clinic*

Health services are provided for all enrolled students at SUU. The Clinic is located on the first floor of the Sharwan Smith Center. Appointments are requested and can be scheduled by calling (435) 586-7718. Services are kept confidential.

The Student Health Clinic at SUU strives to provide a variety of health related services to the campus community, in the clinic setting. These services include primary health care such as acute illness care, women's health care, treatment of minor injuries, public health issues, and mental health concerns. In providing these services, an emphasis is placed on health education, illness prevention, and encouraging healthy lifestyle choices.

Services are provided by a full-time Family Nurse Practitioner. There is a one time fee at the first visit, and nominal fees are assessed for some services. Charges will be assessed for missed appointments. Illness or accidents requiring laboratory, x-ray, suturing, or casting that cannot be accommodated by Clinic staff will be referred to a health care provider in the community or to the Valley View Medical

Center Emergency Department. Any further care beyond what the Clinic can render must be paid for by the student or his/her insurance provider.

In the event of an illness or injury when the Clinic is not open, students should call a qualified health care provider. Staff does not respond to emergencies outside of the Clinic. In the event of an emergency outside of the Clinic or for medical transportation, call **911**. All emergencies should be referred to the Valley View Medical Center, 1303 North Main Street, Cedar City. The telephone number is (435) 868-5000.

The Student Health Clinic also serves as a resource for health education materials. The staff is available to other areas of the University to provide quality educational presentations with a focus on taking personal responsibility for one's health and wellness.

### **ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUG EDUCATION & COUNSELING PROGRAM**

Southern Utah University offers alcohol and other drug education and counseling to students desiring information to assist their own or someone else's substance related issues. For information and appointments, please visit Counseling and Psychological Services or call (435) 865-8621.

### **STUDENT INVOLVEMENT & LEADERSHIP**

The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership recognizes that the development of the whole student is achieved through in-class and out-of-class learning opportunities and experiences provided through programs designed to enhance intellectual, leadership, personal, and professional development. When afforded these opportunities for knowledge and individual growth, students have a better understanding of themselves and others as it relates to student organizations, in future professions and responsibilities as part of a larger community.

The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership encompasses leadership development, service-learning, campus events, outdoor recreation, spirit squad, student government, campus recreation, Greek life, and student organizations. Getting involved in a student organization or program will provide students with several key educational advantages and help them to further develop important life skills. We invite students to get involved- join a club, play intramural sports, attend campus events, learn to rock climb, be a mentor, enjoy a theatrical or musical performance and find your niche at SUU.

The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership is located in the Sharwan Smith Center. Call (435) 586-7762 for additional information.

The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership works in cooperation with the following offices/organizations to enhance the student experience.

### **STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

The leadership of the Southern Utah University Student Association SUUSA is separated into five branches: executive, legislative, judicial, activities, and involvement. The purpose of student government is to provide opportunities for student involvement, leadership development and to plan and implement successful activities that meet the social and academic needs of students.

Student government complements the academic life of SUU students through the programs and activities they sponsor. Many opportunities exist for students to assist in the activities organized by student government. Please visit the leaders in the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership to enrich your collegiate experience.

### **Executive Branch—Executive Council**

Under the direction of the student body president, the executive council consists of the president and three vice-presidents: academic, activities, and involvement. The executive council oversees all functions of student government.

### **Legislative Branch—SUUSA Senate**

The SUUSA Senate is comprised of 2 elected senators from each College or School of the University. The academic vice president is president of the senate, which approves all allocations of student fees.

### **Judicial Branch—Judicial Council**

The Judicial Council consists of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices. The jurisdiction of the Council extends to all cases regarding the SUUSA constitution. It rules on election by-laws, parking appeals, and assists the Student Services office with student judicial hearings.

### **Activities Branch – Student Activities Board (STAB)**

The Student Activities Board provides student events and educational programs to the campus community. Annual campus events include Welcome Week, Homecoming, SUU Idol competition, and Thunderbird Awards.

### **Involvement Branch – Student Clubs and Organizations**

SUU offers many opportunities for students to become involved on campus. Over 100 student clubs and organizations fulfill many purposes and individual needs. Club categories include: (1) support and multicultural; (2) professional development; (3) athletics and recreation; (4) service and Greek organizations; (5) academic development, and (6) art and entertainment. The Vice President for Clubs and Student Involvement is responsible for overseeing all clubs on campus and representing their interests. The Assembly is a body elected by clubs which allocates funds to student clubs and organizations on campus. The Clubs and Student Involvement Vice President is the president of the Assembly.

Students interested in joining or starting a club are encouraged to seek support and guidance from the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership located in the Sharwan Smith Center.

### **SERVICE LEARNING**

The Service and Learning Center is committed to providing opportunities for students to learn from community service and volunteerism. The office provides a number of avenues for service working with over 70 local programs, agencies, and locations where volunteers are needed. Students involved in various university clubs can elect to provide service on campus and in the community. One-time annual projects such as Make a Difference Day, the National Family Volunteer Day, Relay for Life, and Sub for Santa are just a few examples of the events supported by this office. The Center also assists in planning Alternative Spring Break trips for students who want to spend their break helping others. The Service and Learning Center is located in the Sharwan Smith Center, and can be reached by calling (435) 865-8335. [www.suu.edu/ss/service](http://www.suu.edu/ss/service)

### **GREEK ORGANIZATIONS**

#### ***Fraternities and Sororities***

SUU is home to four (4) Greek-letter organizations: Alpha Phi (sorority), Delta Psi Omega (sorority), Sigma Nu (fraternity) and Sigma Chi (fraternity). Each year Greek students render hundreds of hours of community service, raise thousands of dollars for charities, and cultivate important leadership skills while managing their organizations. In addition to providing their members with opportunities to serve, lead, and grow, fraternities and sororities offer students a place to create life-long friendships and enjoy a vibrant social life. These efforts are coordinated by the United Greek Council and the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership to

ensure that the Greek experience at SUU is safe, productive, and fun. To learn more about joining a fraternity or sorority contact the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership at (435) 586-7762.

### **OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTER**

The Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC), located in the Sharwan Smith Center 176B, is SUU's resource for adventure trips, educational seminars, and rental equipment. Whether you are interested in trying something for the first time, or you are a seasoned veteran, the ORC can provide you with the information you seek to be successful. The ORC offers a variety of trips such as hiking, mountain biking, rock climbing, canyoneering, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and others. The ORC sponsors workshops that teach outdoor fundamentals, such as climbing techniques, clothing and equipment, and outdoor cooking. For more information contact (435) 865-8704, or visit <http://www.suu.edu/ss/outdoors>.

### **CLIMBING WALL**

The Climbing Wall, located in the JL Sorenson Physical Education Building, is managed and operated by SUU Outdoors. The climbing wall staff offers workshops that teach the basic skills of rock climbing to both the campus and local community. Whether you are a seasoned climber or climbing for the first time, the climbing wall offers a variety of great opportunities for personal growth and skill development. For more information contact (435) 865-8704, or visit <http://www.suu.edu/ss/outdoors>.

### **ROPES COURSE**

The Ropes Course, located adjacent to the University President's house, is operated by SUU Outdoors. The Ropes Course provides great opportunities for groups to work together to accomplish a common objective. It can be a catalyst to group cohesion and help groups learn how to work together. For more information contact (435) 865-8704, or visit <http://www.suu.edu/ss/outdoors>.

### **CAMPUS RECREATION**

#### ***Intramurals***

SUU has a very active intramural and Campus Recreation program with over 3,800 students participating in intramural sports each year. There is great interest and support for involvement opportunities in flag football, basketball, volleyball, racquetball, tennis, softball, indoor and outdoor soccer, and many other sports. Great leadership training opportunities exist within Campus Recreation and intramurals for students who have an interest in organizing tournaments or events, being trained to officiate athletic contests, helping to publicize or market intramurals or just participating as a team member. [www.suu.edu/ed/pe/building/fitness](http://www.suu.edu/ed/pe/building/fitness)

#### ***Fitness Center***

The Student Body Fitness Center is geared toward the students of SUU. The Fitness Center offers students the opportunity to increase their cardiovascular fitness, flexibility and strength by using the latest state of the art Cybex machines, treadmills, elliptical machines, bikes, and free weights. Monthly and semester memberships are available. Students can also enroll in PE 1090 to receive credit for working out.

#### ***Open Recreation***

Open Recreation offers all students with a current I.D. card a variety of opportunities to participate in self-directed recreational activities to meet their recreational and leisure needs and interests. Fun and participation in the activity is the main focus.

Open recreation opportunities available are basketball, racquetball, swimming, aerobics, indoor track running, Wally ball, volleyball, and badminton.

The Campus Recreation Department is located in The Sorenson Physical Education Building, Room 205, and can be reached at (435) 586-7774.

### **SHARWAN SMITH CENTER SERVICES**

The Sharwan Smith Center serves as the campus hub for students, faculty, and staff and includes a dining hall, bookstore, snack bar, post office, and food court. Most student services departmental offices are located in the Sharwan Smith Center.

Facilities within the building are also available for students, faculty and community members to sponsor workshops, conferences, meetings or other academically-related events.

The Center also includes a ballroom for dances, dinners and other large events and a movie theatre where a variety of films are shown at a nominal cost throughout the year. Students interested in learning about these programs should contact the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership at 435-586-7762.

A number of entertaining, cultural, and educational events to include nationally known musical and entertainment organizations, dramatic groups, and individual performers are brought to campus with the help of the Student Activities Board (STAB).

To schedule rooms in the Sharwan Smith Center or elsewhere on campus, students, faculty, staff, and community members should contact Centralized Scheduling at 865-8219. The director assists with finding times, dates, and rooms most agreeable for scheduling appropriate events.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

The Department of Public Safety's goal is "working with you to make the university a safer place to learn." Housed in Sharwan Smith Center, the department provides law enforcement services to the SUU campus, its satellite buildings and grounds.

All crimes and accidents that occur on campus need to be reported to the Public Safety Office. They provide the campus community with a wide variety of services, including: unlocking locked cars, and giving lectures and seminars. Internships are also available to students who fulfill the requirements set forth by the Chief of Public Safety.

The department regulates parking on the SUU campus. Students, faculty, and staff are required to have valid parking permits or decals to park on the campus from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the week. Signed parking lots require a valid parking permit. Motorcycle and mo-ped parking is permitted in specifically marked areas throughout the campus; a valid motorcycle permit is required. Racks to accommodate bicycle parking are located near several buildings on the campus. Visitor parking is available in designated areas on the campus and includes metered parking.

Individuals may use 911 as an emergency telephone number to reach police, fire and medical services. The telephones in the SUU campus elevators are connected directly to the 911 system. Eight blue lights are located throughout the campus to help individuals in emergencies. The 911 and blue light systems are for emergency use only.

The Public Safety Department continually works with all the surrounding law enforcement communities: Cedar City Police Department, Iron County Sheriff's Office, Utah Highway Patrol, and the State Department of Corrections. All Department of Public Safety officers are state certified and fully trained in all police functions. The department continues to be one of the most highly trained departments in the state.

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Information on public safety, parking, and security issues is available at the department by calling (435) 586-7793 or on the web site at <http://www.suu.edu/ad/safety>.

### BOOKSTORE

Owned and operated by the University, the SUU Bookstore is the official University source for all required books and supplies. This self-service store has been designed to provide students and faculty with a central location for the purchase of the items needed for day-to-day college activities. The Bookstore also stocks a complete assortment of art and computer supplies, stationery and sundries. It provides buyback services at the end of each semester on most textbooks. The SUU website for the bookstore is <http://www.bookstore.suu.edu>.

### C-STORE

The C-Store is located across the hall from the Bookstore and provides convenience and quick access for students, faculty, and staff members on campus. They offer everything from drinks, snacks, film, and health aids to popcorn, pretzels, and fudge!

### OUTTAKES

Outtakes, operated by Chartwells, is located in the Sharwan Smith Center and features breakfast items such as breakfast burritos, breakfast sandwiches, hash browns, and sweet rolls. At lunch time, treat yourself to a bowl of homemade soup with a small loaf of homemade bread, or enjoy a hot dog, corn dog, pizza stick, a variety of homemade salads and sandwiches or a personal pan pizza. Outtakes also offers soft drinks, coffee, and candy.

### FOOD COURT – SHARWAN SMITH CENTER

The **T-Bird Grill** offers a wide variety of menu items including hamburgers, cheeseburgers, chicken nuggets, wrap sandwiches, grilled cheese sandwiches, fries, onion rings and cold, soft drinks. Daily “meal deal” specials are offered for those looking for a good meal at a great price.

If you don't like what's on the grill, try a rice bowl, specialty sandwich, signature sandwich, a yogurt, shake or ice cream from **Hogi Yogi – Teriyaki Stix**. Watch for coupon specials in the University Journal and for special holiday flavors offered throughout the year.

The newly remodeled **T-Bird Circle** is an inviting place for students, faculty and staff to gather and enjoy delicious food in a lively environment. The all-you-can eat menu provides a variety of healthy food choices at reasonable prices. The **Circle** serves Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner during the weekdays and Brunch and Dinner on the weekends.

### MAIL SERVICES AND POST OFFICE

With the exception of passports and registered mail, full U.S. mail services are available to include money orders, at the Campus Post Office. FedEx, UPS, direct printing to mail piece, address correction, and list management are also provided. Mailboxes are available and may be rented by the semester. All students living on campus must have a mailbox to receive mail. FedEx and UPS will deliver parcels for SUU students, faculty, and staff with a valid SUU mailbox and correct university address. Visit <http://www.suu.edu/ss/postoffice> for more information.

### STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

#### *University Journal*

The University Journal student laboratory newspaper serves the campus of SUU. Published in full-size form on Mondays and

Thursdays during the academic year, the Journal includes the latest in student news and opinion. It includes a website accessible through the SUU Homepage and at [www.SUUNews.com](http://www.SUUNews.com).

Any student is invited to gain valuable career experience and/or to foster beneficial interpersonal skills by working on the Journal. Positions are filled each semester in news, photography and art as well as in production, circulation and marketing. Freshmen are welcome.

#### *The Student Handbook*

Students attending SUU are expected to maintain a high standard of conduct and to uphold the policies of the University and state and federal laws. Students are expected to demonstrate maturity in their judgments and assume responsibility for their actions. The Student Handbook outlines the University's expectations as well as Student Rights and Responsibilities. The handbook can be found at [www.suu.edu/ss/vp](http://www.suu.edu/ss/vp).

#### *Kolob Canyon Review*

The Kolob Canyon Review is a literary magazine featuring poetry, short fiction and essays. The Review provides a forum for the creativity of students. With funding from the SUUSA, the magazine receives advisement from the English department and is published annually.

#### *The Scriblerian*

The Scriblerian is a publication sponsored by the English Department and the Braithwaite Writing Center. The Scriblerian is a publication for students by students. This on-line journal <http://www.suu.edu/hss/english/scriblerian> is the result of a competition organized by Writing Center tutors for ENGL 1010 and 2010 students.

### FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

It is the policy of Southern Utah University to comply fully with the terms, provisions, and intent of the Family Educational rights and Privacy Act of 1974. A complete statement of the SUU policy and procedures relative to this act may be obtained from the Office of the Registrar. For specific rights and protections granted to students see Appendix D, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS (Policy 11.2)

Students of Southern Utah University share with many others a vital interest in the essential mission of their college. As citizens of the larger community in which the University is located, students have all the responsibilities provided to any citizen and all have the rights and responsibilities specific to their role as a Southern Utah University student. Students are encouraged to refer to [www.suu.edu/pub/policies](http://www.suu.edu/pub/policies).

Academic expectations are outlined in course syllabi and must be met in order to earn a passing grade. Faculty may make reasonable accommodations for students who confront unforeseen unique circumstances that limit or restrict class participation or performance; however, faculty is not expected to minimize expectations. To ask faculty to do so devalues the work of all other class participants; therefore, students who are unable to complete required coursework and attend class regularly should talk with the faculty member or their advisor about alternatives.