University’s Accreditation Reaffirmed for full 10 years!

Sullivan University has just been notified that its accreditation has been reaffirmed for another full ten years by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) at its Annual Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, ten full years is the maximum time of such reaffirmation.

Rigorous Process

Two years ago, The Commission on Colleges of SACS adopted a new set of Accreditation Principles and Sullivan University was in the second group of colleges and universities to be evaluated under these new, rigorous regulations. There are twelve Core Requirements and 53 Comprehensive Standards which must be met to the satisfaction of a visiting team of other University administrators, and then passed the inspection of the Commission itself. Sullivan submitted its Compliance Document to SACS in September 2004 and hosted an on-site review team in April 2005. The University submitted a response to the on-site team’s report in July 2005, and the Commission made its decision in December 2005.

Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)

The Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) is a new requirement for institutions to create a vision for improving the educational experience of students. Sullivan’s QEP is titled “Sullivan: An Online Learning Community”. The plan focuses on the development of an integrated learning environment which should make the learning experience more interesting and more effective for Sullivan students.

Sullivan University: a pioneer in accreditation

Sullivan was the first private career-focused college in the eleven state southern region to earn accreditation from the prestigious Commission on Colleges in 1979. Sullivan had hosted a site visit of peers in October 1977, which led to the Commission granting Candidacy to the institution at its December 1977 annual meeting. Sullivan’s accreditation has been reaffirmed in 1984 (the first grant of accreditation is for five years) and again in 1994. This current reaffirmation is part of the regular ten year cycle of the Commission reaffirming the continued accreditation status of the University. Kentucky is in the Southern Region and is the northern most state in the Southern Association; the other states whose colleges and universities are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, are: Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas. Think of any major university in one of these eleven states and they will be accredited, as is Sullivan University, by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

What does this mean to graduates of Sullivan?

Sullivan University’s accreditation from the Commission on Colleges of SACS adds tremendous value to your degree now and for the rest of your life. You are/will be a graduate from an institution of higher education that was able to comply with rigorous requirements regarding the quality of its faculty, facilities, learning equipment, curricula, library, student services, administrative personnel and processes and learning outcomes. This is a benefit that lasts forever and increases over time as your Sullivan degree continues to open new doors of opportunity for you and your family.

A team effort

Dr. Jim Watkins, Sullivan’s Vice President of Academic Affairs, spearheaded the reaffirmation process as the University’s liaison with the Southern Association. In addition to his excellent coordination of the entire process, the heart and soul of the effort was driven by Dr. A.R. Sullivan, University’s president and founder.

The University’s Board of Directors gave direction and support to the entire effort. The Sullivan University System administrators provided much needed insight and support. But it was the many student, faculty and support staff, and administrators who provided the ongoing quality education and support services to a very able student body that tipped the scales decisively in the direction of reaffirmation. Thanks to everyone who made this reaffirmation a major positive event in the life and history of this fine institution.

Sullivan IT Academy students are in HOT demand

Since 1998, Sullivan University has graduated hundreds of Microsoft Certified Professionals through its IT Academy program. Employers in Kentucky and surrounding states have recognized the University’s recognized excellence and quality of students produced, and hire them to staff their Information Technology departments, many hold positions of responsibility and become supervisors or managers. At Peak 10, Chana Cohn, a graduate of Sullivan’s Microsoft and Cisco programs recently promoted to Manager of Network Operations, Peak 10 provides hosting services for more than 170 enterprise customers and houses over 2500 servers in their facility. Chana was an office temporary when she enrolled in the Sullivan program two years ago, and has more than tripled her salary since starting.

Left to right: Dom Schneider, Bob Ausmus and Chana Cohn.

Chuck credits his Sullivan education for making the promotion happen. The Windows Server 2003 training and Virtual Machine technologies taught at Sullivan were important skills sought by UPS.

Ed Baker, a graduate of the first Microsoft class in 1998, manages the network router infrastructure at Bank of America’s national call center in Louisville. 

As all Sullivan IT Academy graduates will attest, Sullivan’s QEP proposes to enhance student learning through dynamic instruction, and more student involvement in the learning process which should make the learning experience more interesting and more effective for Sullivan students.

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Graduate school news

Dr. Matthias Herfert joins Graduate School faculty.

The Graduate School welcomes Dr. Matthias Herfert from Leipzig, Germany. Matthias has served as the President and CEO of Spreadshirt, Inc., the United States branch of a growing e-commerce start-up and worked as a Project Manager and Graduate Assistant at HHL - Leipzig Graduate School of Management, one of Germany's leading business schools, where he received his Master of Science in Business Administration in 2001. Matthias is completing his Ph.D. dissertation in Economics/Market Research in which he has developed a new inference methodology to model preference structures from partially observed consumer choice - entropy analysis for utilities. He will teach marketing, economics and selected management courses.

Please, feel free to contact him at mhertf@faculty.sullivan.edu for any questions on his research, teaching program at Sullivan, prior corporate experiences or anything on Germany.

Graduate school news

Dr. Jeff Johnson, Dean of Sullivan's Graduate School and Sullivan's Human Resource Leadership program.

The graduate school offers an extra distance (s) to obtain her Master's degree

Angela Ruter originally enrolled at Sullivan to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in accounting. Her husband was commissioned in the Air Force and she expected to attend college where he was stationed. Free assignments and travel later, Angela decided that Sullivan was most suited to her academic needs. Though stationed in Macca, Georgia she spent every other quarter living with her parents (editor's note: Angela's father was a military man) in Indiana so that she could attend Sullivan. In 1995 Angela and her husband received orders to Fairbanks, Alaska, she spent the Fall 1995 quarter at Sullivan. During her last quarter Angela was allowed to take all seven classes and graduated! The next year, while in Alaska, Angela passed three of the CPA exam requirements. After moving to New Mexico, Angela returned to Louisville hoping to finally meet the experience requirements for the CPA, and she found employment with Mather, Hamilton & Company, CPAs. Angela said, “I would like to express my gratitude to Dr. Jeff Hardt and the company and who was also an adjunct instructor at Sullivan, for that employment opportunity.” After a transfer to Hawaii in the summer of 2000, Angela enrolled in Sullivan's online program for her master's classes. In January 2002, the Ruters were sent to South Korea. “Between my full-time job as an accounting technician and now having three children, just fitting in one class each quarter was sometimes a real challenge,” she stated. While in South Korea she was officially commended for her standing contribution to the Management Accounting Division 157th Finance Command and was presented a Certificate of Achievement from the 176th Finance Battalion for designing a database that automatically reported submitted to Defense Finance & Accounting Service.

In June 2003, the family transferred to Lajes Air Field in the Azores. Angela was hired by the 729th Air Mobility Squadron (AMS) as their budget analyst which included managing a 25M budget and an additional 1.5M construction project budget. Angela returned to Sullivan and completed her Master of Business Administration degree in December 2004.

Sullivan's location, knowledge and talent brought her great honors. In 2004, Angela was selected as the 729th AMS Citizen of the Year and attended the 721st Air Military Group awards banquet in Aviano, Italy. She was also afforded the opportunity to attend the American Society of Military Comptrollers Professional Development Institute in Cleveland, Ohio, in 2004 and again in Garmish, Germany in early 2005. She attended the Enhanced Defense Financial Manager Course in Ramstein, Germany and in July, 2005, passed the required test to become a Certified Defense Financial Manager. Angela currently lives at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, and is employed by Victoria Mash and Sullivan University Instructor LaVena Wilkin, both Ph.D candidates, in conflict analysis, was designed to deepen managers and employees' cultural awareness and to help them understand and handle diverse aspects of workplace diversity. Diversity work is challenging; involving people's emotions, values, and beliefs. It not only asks people to examine and change their individual beliefs, but it also asks organizations to change policies, systems, and practices. However, Walter Wiston, former Citibank CEO, has said that “the person who figures out how to harness the collective genius of people in his/her organization is going to blow the competition away.”

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Internacional Center for Dispute Resolution

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Sullivan was instrumental in developing Kentucky's first Conflict Resolution Day.

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Students receive top grade

Two Sullivan Master of Dispute Resolution degree students, Barbara Dean, Director of Sullivan's Fort Knox campus and Admissions Officer Jim McAdams, were able to give their education to use in a unique learning opportunity when they facilitated contract negotiations between an Indiana school corporation and its teachers union. Using facilitative mediation techniques, they were instrumental in assisting successful negotiations. Many key issues between the schools and union were settled, and everyone walked away with the result. One leader said of their work, “Jim and Barbara's contributions were very positive, helpful, and well-received. They not only helped us a great deal but are the perfect professional advertisements for Sullivan.” The team grew as media tors during this "on-the-job" experience. Barbara commented that “It was an honor and pleasure to contribute. Personally this was a fulfilling experience.” Jim concurred, “Assisting others in working on their problems is one of the most rewarding activities in my life. Sullivan Master of Dispute Resolution gives me the way to make this possible." The team both earned an A as a result of their outstanding performance.

Students receive top grade.

Sullivan graduate student teaches at Chicago event

Christine Marchorho, an advanced student in Sullivan's Master of Dispute Resolution degree program, recently led a panel on WTTW's Chicago Tonight at the Chicago Hilton for the annual meeting of The Illinois Municipal League. There were more than 3000 participants at the event. Christine's presentation, "Managing Conflict in the Workplace, focused on organizational conflict and taught the audience on basic tools for managing and reducing conflict between employees. Christine said she never envisaged on her Sullivan courses to prepare her presentation.

Free autographs available

During academic year 1994-1995, Graduate School professor, Dr. Alan Naslund experienced Japanese culture first hand when he taught at the Communications Department of Gakuen University. Upon returning from Japan, Naslund, began publishing in the Abiko Annaal, a literary periodical devoted to Japanese appreciation of James Joyce, the Irish writer who established a stream-of-consciousness form of the novel. Naslund has published two short stories and some twenty-five poems. While some longer poems include a few Japanese words, his poems published in Japan have been in English. Dr. Naslund's book of poetry, Silk Weather was published in the Fleur-de-lis imprint, a publication of Spalding University. A copy of Silk Weather may be found in the Sullivan University library, for sale on the Internet and locally at Carmichael's Bookstore.

Students receive top grade.
Sullivan hosts popular annual Paralegal Roundtable Discussion

Last year, a group of human resource and hiring managers participated in a focus group to discuss the skills and abilities they look for when hiring a person with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a focus on management. Their input was the inspiration for developing four new undergraduate classes in conflict resolution at Sullivan University.

DRC 401, Principles of Conflict Resolution, presents communication theories relevant to conflict resolution to help managers understand, analyze, and manage conflict. The skill sets developed in this course will not only help students understand organizational strategies to approach conflict management. Mr. Howerton believes managers can use conflict management宴会西宴 in their daily interactions with managers and peers.

DRC 402, Managing Diversity, will help students better understand and work with an increasingly diverse workforce. The focus of this class is learning to appreciate diversity among individuals, understand the advantages of a well-managed diverse workforce, recognize and manage stereotypes, and develop creative solutions to manage diversity issues.

DRC 403, The Manager as Negotiator, is designed to help students develop strategies and skills for effective negotiations. Students will improve negotiation skills, develop general strategies for successful negotiation, understand myths of negotiation, and produce win-win resolutions for all parties.

The final course, DRC 404, Analyzing Organizational Conflict, gives students an opportunity to develop a conflict resolution program by integrating material from the three previous courses. By applying the principles and techniques learned, students will understand the dynamics and benefits of diagnosing conflict, examine recurrent themes of conflict causes, perform an interest analysis, understand how diversity impacts workplace conflict, negotiate resolutions to conflict, and determine which method of alternative dispute resolution is most appropriate for various workplace conflicts.

Sullivan Chef Instructor goes the extra distance – all 350+ miles!

Sullivan’s chef instructors help their students discover how some of the finest chefs in the business prepare their elegant dishes. But Chef Instructor John Richards, CEC, CPC really went the extra distance when he recently took six students from his weekday and evening culinary classes on an annual pilgrimage to dine at the famous Charlie Trotter’s restaurant in Chicago, Illinois. Chef Richards first arrived in Chicago nearly two decades ago.

“Trotter seemed to transcend the best of his style with his degustation menus, knowledge of food staffs and willingness to experiment in non-traditional matching of flavors. After graduating and opening restaurants of her own, Woodward decided Trotter was the person to learn from and the restaurant was the place to learn.”

“Trotter performs.” Chef Richards says.

He continued, “I was able to establish a relationship with Chef Trotter and work out an arrangement to have one of my executive chefs work in his restaurant for six months to learn the skills of this magician. Chef Chris Howerton, a Sullivan graduate, moved to Chicago and was employed at Trotter’s amazing restaurant.”

“Trotter has used the experience in his classes to describe the concept that dining has evolved from just a form of sustenance to an adventure that people will travel far away to experience.”

“The other places that have that are also on my pilgrimage list are Tru in Chicago and the French Laundry in Napa California.” Our next culinary voyage is planned for summer 2006 for a three day trip to New York City.”

Sullivan offers Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Conflict Resolution

VOLUME 2005 • FALL Oldies but goodies

Business owner, student Nathan Steele proudly displays the fruits of his labor at a recent antique show.

Sullivan student Nathan Steele never thought his business planning course would lead to his own business, but that’s exactly what happened when he refinshed a 1930’s waterfall top design desk for his wife’s Christmas present. The result was a fantastic piece of furniture purchased for ten dollars. “After several questions and comments about the desk from friends and guests about where I bought it and how much I paid for it, it was clear that the piece was not only something I appreciated but that it should be appreciated as well,” Nathan said.

Sullivan classes provided confidence

Using knowledge from his business classes at Sullivan, Nathan began researching antiques and furniture stores. The information received about this market was favorable, there was a growing demand for this type of furniture in the Louisville market and the potential for profit was extremely high,” he said. Jumping in with both feet, Nathan put together a business plan and headed to the City Center of Commerce to file the business.

Business is Flourishing

Nathan’s first public showing at a recent flea market event was very successful. “I am currently working on other pieces from customers who saw my work and wanted me to do something for them that was specific and unique,” Nathan said. His talent will receive more exposure from his booth at the giant antique section of the popular National Horse Show held at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center.

“Plus Friday” was an asset

“Sullivan University has made the difference between success and failure,” Nathan stated. “In fact my class notes and text books were the number one tool I referred to when I formed my business.” Several instructors were also “reference” tools to do shows around the region to promote his business. “Now, we’re just taking it one step at a time,” he said. Thanks to Sullivan, Nathan’s one step has become a giant leap to success.
**CAM 174 Basic Nutrition**

**Hospitality is an opportunity for students to practice cold food preparation,**

BRANDY WILSON

"The Venture Capital Fair... Sullivan’s Graduate School... the teams' ability to raise... one Microeconomic student... The economics stuff in the news makes sense now. Students learn the role of supply and demand in determining prices in competitive versus monopolistic markets, as well as such topics as minimum wage laws, rent-control, and pollution. "During the Fall 2005 quarter, my Microeconomic and Macroeconomic classes hosted several business, economic and finance guest speakers who shared their professional knowledge," Tablott-Hill stated. She added: "I believe that Sullivan is a lot harder than my first year of college... I am learning a lot more than I thought I would.""Sullivan is the best school for me. All the other schools I have applied to are a disappointment." HANNAH COMPTON

"Sullivan has a great business environment... friendly to working adults... I chose Sullivan because... I would.”

**On the ‘path’ to knowledge**

Students in Instructor Nikki Gotschall’s Information Literacy class took a recent trip to Farmington Hills Public Library, which has been called a labyrinth. See page 5: Wellness student Elyse Story tested the library’s features in circles Left to right, kneeling: Jean Dolan, LeAnn Glasscock and Vincent Archuleta. Standing: Amanda Phipps, Laura Crates, Brittany Bellon, Jerry Ross, Thomas Leong, Maria Doering, Sarah Speck, Bria Wise and Instructor Nikki Gotschall.

"Sullivan’s FYE 101 Information Literacy class is designed to increase a student’s potential for success by teaching particular skills necessary to achieve educational goals and objectives. Utilizing an active and team-building learning environment, the course emphasizes critical thinking skills and academic survival skills, such as comprehension, memory building, and testing skills, but also focuses on elements of personal and professional development such as stress and time management."
Sullivan’s Early Childhood Education Students benefit from new partnership

Sullivan University now offers a new opportunity for students interested in continuing their education beyond the associate level through a partnership agreement with Midway College.

Students wanting to obtain a bachelor’s degree and teaching certificate can now attend classes offered by Midway on the Sullivan’s main campus in Louisville. A new cohort of classes will begin in January 2006. Classes typically take place on Friday evening and Saturday morning giving students more flexibility.

“it is exciting that we are able to encourage our students to further their education and open up new career opportunities,” stated Angela Riggs, Program Coordinator. Those interested should contact Midway College at 1-800-680-0990 or email SCD4me@midway.edu to get details. Early Childhood Education student Prudence Torian added, “it is a great way for me to expand my education. I plan to attend Midway in January after I graduate from Sullivan and work full-time as a live-in nanny for a family here in Louisville. After completing the Midway program, I would like to open my own preschool and kindergarten.”

Sullivan will continue to host popular and informative forum

Another collaborative effort benefiting Sullivan students and the community is 4-C (Community Coordinator Child Care). Sullivan hosts the 4-C’s Forums to support training for hundreds of child care providers in our community. The 4-C Forums are state-approved training for workers in the child care field. Each training session is presided by a credentialed trainer utilizing the best practices and standards for early childhood education. The Forums for 2006 are March 11, May 20, Sept. 9, and Nov. 11. Sullivan Early Childhood Education students can attend the forums free of charge and many students complete their externships with the training staff at 4-C’s. Students Liz Cox, Enika Wright, and Yasmin Alwahbi have all worked with the 4-C’s staff to help with registration, assist with materials for the presenters and have regularly attended the sessions themselves. Ms. Wright remarked that she couldn’t believe how many wonderful resources are available if you want to start your own child care center. She plans to graduate this fall and return home to Indianapolis and begin making plans to start her own in-home child care center.

If you are interested in learning more about the Forums, you may pre-register by contacting 4-C at (502) 636-1358 or on-line at http://www.4cforkids.org/4CForum.htm.

Sullivan students enjoy free seminars

I’m sure you’ve heard, “The best things in life are free!” This adage holds true even in the world of education when each quarter, Sullivan’s Computer Science department offers free seminars on various topics. The first one covered Microsoft Vision 2003. Students learned how to create a basic flowchart and a database diagram. During the two hour seminar, students produced work in a hands-on lab, provided with lunch for a completion certificate.

In the second seminar, students learned how to use a scanner to scan images into their computer. Once the image was in the system, editing was discussed. Ryan Trauman, a guest speaker from the English department, discussed design elements in regard to web pages. Color choice, layout, and learned management were among the topics discussed. Pizza and soft drinks were provided during this three hour seminar.

These seminars are intended to cover material that is not handled in the current curriculum. There is a vast amount of material that students need to acquire in order to be successful, these seminars are a way for students to receive this knowledge with assistance from Sullivan’s Computer Science faculty. Currently, fee-free seminars are offered at least once a quarter. Students are required to register for the seminar due to limited seating.


Wellness Center News

An annual National Depression Screening Day offered free, voluntary screenings for depression and related mood disorders.

Wellness Director Dr. Renee Rust-Yarmuth, discussed briefly and privy with each student his/her results and follow-up if needed. The event included a healthful refreshment buffet, selected literature, meditation tapes medical information, and positive thinking tips.

A series entitled “Meandering through Meditation” offered through the Wellness Center by World Religions instructor, Professor Sally Bobbitt, featured other methods of meditation. With stressors on the holiday horizon, participants learned ways of focusing and relaxing.

The Sullivan University Wellness Center plans a Wellness Fair in spring in conjunction with National Eating Disorder Screening Day. During April and May, the SUWC will turn attention to healthy relationships in an ongoing effort to highlight and enhance aspects of wellness for Sullivan students.

Wellness Center project has students going in circles

The Wellness Center coordinated the laying of an outdoor labyrinth with Farmington Historic Home adjacent to the main campus to give students a way to release mind and body as a method for managing stress. Walking the 15 circuits to the center and back takes about 20 minutes. The Sullivan Labyrinth at Farmington is the first one in Metro-Louisville without an explicit religious affiliation.

Students, faculty, and staff are enjoying this great new resource.

Students Derek McNichols and James Lindsey checked out the Sullivan Labyrinth.

Sullivan cyclists set new fundraising record

The American Lung Association of Kentucky sponsored a fundraising Bike Trek to Shakerette, Kentucky. Pictured above is the team (from left) veteran riders, Admissions Officer Jim Marley, Sullivan’s Sports and Fitness Coordinator Stephen Ruckman, students Peggy Keenan, and DeShawn Hickerson.

Above, left to right, students Timothy Bobbie and Joe Lucas with instructor Ryan Trauman.

The Sullivan University team raised more than $2,000 and received recognition from the podium for their contribution to the event. This was the 20th anniversary for the ride and a record year for donations. A special thank you to Team Sullivan.

Education beyond the classroom

The Justice & Public Safety Administration (JSPA) Program has seen rapid growth in prestige and enrollments, thanks to outstanding faculty and curriculum improvements. Students benefit from various training exercises and have regularly attended the sessions assisting with materials for the presenters and have back up support for workers in the child care field. Sullivan students have been involved in role playing “live” training exercises. Other Sullivan students were involved in playing rioting prisoners and locking-in a department head. This was especially interesting because three Sullivan students work for the LMCD and were part of the riot training squad. Other Sullivan students were involved in playing rioting inmates. This was an engaging exercise and very full gear, shotguns, and other weaponry. Participating in live experiences help students better understand their classroom work. Involvement with these various agencies provides a great networking opportunity for students after graduation. Working with these various agencies increases the recognition and prestige of Sullivan University’s Justice & Public Safety Administration Program.

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Sullivan University pools the resources of its JSPA instructors with that of professionals in various public safety agencies in the Louisville Metro Area giving students the opportunity to participate in “live” training exercises. Recently Sullivan teamed up with the Clark County (Indiana) Sheriff’s Office where students engaged in a wide variety of scenarios gaining a better understanding of how many law enforcement situations are handled.

Another “live” training opportunity occurred when students worked with the Louisville Metropolitan Police Department (LMPD) producing a hands-on lab, providing the students going in circles an excellent networking opportunity for students after graduation. Working with these various agencies increases the recognition and prestige of Sullivan University’s Justice & Public Safety Administration Program.
Sullivan University hosts two annual cruises so that both day and evening students can attend—more than 375 participants attended each event. Traditional calliopist music played as passengers boarded and then explored the different levels of the old steamer. After the paddle wheel started turning, we began to cruise the Ohio River. The DJ cranked up tunes while everyone headed to the hall of the boat to enjoy dinner served by the Ala Carte Cafe. Some enjoyed sitting on the upper deck to take in the scenery while others enjoyed dancing. Several people won door prizes which included a digital camera, much needed gas cards, “Stomp” tickets, movie passes, an iPod shuffle, and Sullivan University shirts and hats.

Belle of Louisville Riverboat Cruise

Sullivan University is lotsa FUN!

Don’t Forget!

December 17 - January 2
NO SCHOOL
Winter Break
January 5
Organizational Expo
January 16
NO SCHOOL
Martin Luther King, Jr.
Holiday
January 27
Ski Trip
(Tentative Date)
February 9
Black History Month
February 15
Preacher Moss
March 4
Variety Show
March 9
Blood Drive
March 18 - 26
NO SCHOOL
Spring Break

Halloween Costume Contest

Sullivan’s hallways were filled with students, faculty and staff dressed in their favorite Personalities andnotorious Creatures of the night. Best Costume went to Raphael “Scooby” Holmes aka “Whitney Houston after her awesome career fell apart.” It was so sad that she couldn’t even think of a song to sing for her cheering crowd of loyal supporters! Prizes were also awarded for Most Original Costume to Pat Wood “First Quarter Culinary Student who failed his knife cuts.” Ouch! Funniest Costume (Sarah Jump “Tooth Fairy”) and Scariest Costume (Tabitha Wraley “Evil Vampire”).
Master Hypnotist Dr. Jim Wand

Dr. Jim Wand, one of the best hypnotic performers in the business, led Sullivan students through a hilariously funny show. When Dr. Wand comes to Sullivan anything is possible! This is his ninth visit—and each one is unpredictable and something to be remembered.

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WHERE GREAT CAREERS BEGIN

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William Johnson  
Madisonville North Hopkins HS, KY  
Sous Chef  
Jarli’s Bistro  
Louisville, KY

Randal Hendrich  
New Albany HS, IN  
Line Cook  
Bonefish Grill  
Louisville, KY

Alisha Rifkind  
GED  
Accountant  
Manpower Staffing  
Louisville, KY

Wendy Canuel  
St. Charles HS, MO  
Paralegal  
Atria Senior Living Group  
Louisville, KY

Dana Kutzko  
North Hardin HS, KY  
Grill Cook  
Cracker Barrel  
Elizabethtown, KY

Dana Connor  
Assumption HS, KY  
Regional Coordinator  
Crown Services  
Louisville, KY

Randal Hendrich  
New Albany HS, IN  
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Louisville, KY

Deborah Patterson  
East Hardin HS, KY  
Inside Sales Representative  
Honeywell Access Systems  
Louisville, KY

Anthony Lorie  
Holy Cross HS, KY  
Chef/Owner  
Family Foods  
Louisville, KY

Julian Beaumont  
Atherton HS, KY  
Business Analyst  
Humana  
Louisville, KY

Michael King  
Flaget HS, KY  
President/Owner  
STM, Inc.  
Louisville, KY

Billy Bledsoe  
Moore HS, KY  
Account Manager  
Health Services Group  
Louisville, KY

Paula Lay  
North Bullitt HS, KY  
Legal Secretary  
Commonwealth Attorney  
Louisville, KY

Melanie Adkisson  
Shelby County HS, KY  
Administrative Assistant  
Risk Management Services  
Louisville, KY

Rita J. Flowers  
Caruthersville HS, MO  
Medical Clerk  
Veterans Hospital  
Louisville, KY

Angela Domek  
Providence HS, IN  
Travel Agent  
AAA Travel  
Clarksville, IN

Tiffany Brown  
Bardstown HS, KY  
Administrative Assistant  
BJK Industries  
Louisville, KY

Josh Smouse  
Tates Creek HS, KY  
Chef  
Cummins Engine  
Columbus, IN

Laura Scroggin  
Inquisus HS, KY  
Free Underwriting Agent  
First Commonwealth Agent  
Louisville, KY

Ronald Elzy  
St. Xavier HS, KY  
Marketing Manager  
Schwab Corporation  
Martinsville, OH

Dean Veit  
Shelby County HS, KY  
Information Technology Assistant  
Conforma Clad, Inc.  
New Albany, IN

Juliette Brana  
Atherton HS, KY  
Business Analyst  
Humana  
Louisville, KY

Jack Renner  
Pleasure Ridge HS, KY  
Manager of Marketing & Sales  
Aerocon Photogrammetries Service  
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Nelson County HS, KY
Purchasing Manager
Synergy Tool & Gauge, LLC
Cox’s Creek, KY

Angela Ruby ★
Fern Creek HS, KY
Sales Associate
Freedom Communication
Louisville, KY

Angela Harvey
Waggener HS, KY
Customer Service Support Representative
LabCorp
Louisville, KY

Tina Gibson
North Hardin HS, KY
Manager
Enterprise Rent A Car
Louisville, KY

Sara Luedke ★
Owensboro HS, KY
Line Cook
Whole Foods
Louisville, KY

Maggie Pryor
Portersville Christian HS, PA
Pantry Chef
Lynn’s Paradise Café
Louisville, KY

Anna Portman ★
Jeffersontown HS, KY
Retail Account Specialist
Insight Communications
Louisville, KY

Gretchen Waller ★
GED
Paralegal
Atherton & Associates
Louisville, KY

Douglas Kelley
Oxford HS, AL
Information Management Officer
G3/Department Military Service
Ft Knox, KY

Randall Harsin
Madison Consolidated HS, IN
Line Cook
Red Pepper
Madison, IN

Laura Berry
South Oldham HS, KY
Staffing Coordinator
Yum! Brands, Inc.
Louisville, KY

James Traub
Cathedral HS, IN
Sous Chef
Café Metro
Louisville, KY

Julia Chrisman ★
Anderson HS, IN
Lead Plan Load Specialist
Humana
Louisville, KY

Mollie Pruitt ★
Boyle County HS, KY
Chef
Brown Forman
Louisville, KY

Stephen Lope ★
East Harden HS, KY
Accountant
Fleetwood Travel Trailers of Kentucky
Campbellsville, KY

Heather Coburn ★
Fern Creek HS, KY
Medical Records Specialist
Kosair Children’s Hospital
Louisville, KY

Teresa Kelly
Henderson County HS, KY
Administrative Assistant
CB Richard Ellis Nicklies
Louisville, KY

Paul Joseph Fisher ★
St. Xavier HS, KY
Roundman
Clipper Cruise Lines
St. Louis, MO

Monica Church
South Hopkins HS, KY
Paralegal
Cooper & Friedman, PLLC
Louisville, KY

Marc Braden ★
Kirby HS, TN
Sous Chef
Lundy’s Catering
Lexington, KY

This space is reserved for you and your Sullivan success story!
Olé! Sullivan students roar their approval on their Fall trip to Cancun, Mexico.

A record number of Sullivan Hotel-Restaurant Management and Travel, Tourism & Event Management students participated in a recent all-inclusive resort tour in Cancun, Mexico. These faculty chaperones and 45 students enjoyed spectacular Caribbean weather and impeccable, five-star service at the Moon Palace Resort and Spa. “Palace Resorts eight themed hotels and spa all around Cancun are known as the area’s most luxurious all-inclusive resort destinations,” said Hotel-Restaurant Management Department Chair, Kerry Sommerville.

Accommodations

Each of the resort’s 2100 guest rooms features a luxurious double Jacuzzi hot tub, a marble bathroom, and plush, pillow-top mattresses on beds that were topped by a hot tub, a marble bathroom, and plush, pillow-top mattresses on beds that were topped by a...
Iron Chefs Kentucky “Battle of the Best”

A competition of the best chefs and caterers that Louisville has to offer was recently hosted by the Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter of Meeting Professionals International (MPI). The event showcased the hospitality industry and was also designed as a fundraiser for Sullivan University’s Professional Catering and Event Management Programs. “The Battle of the Best was an excellent opportunity for Sullivan University students to be involved in planning and executing a successful fundraiser,” stated Chef Kimberly Jones, Chair of Sullivan’s Professional Catering Department “Assisting industry professionals helped build students’ confidence and gave contacts for future employment.”

Hurricane Katrina victim and Sullivan graduate uses lifetime, placement assistance

What would you do if you lost everything? Your home, furnishings, your job? One Sullivan graduate recently faced that dilemma. Allen Heintzman and his wife were victims of Hurricane Katrina. His career change brought success

A native Louisvillian, Allen attended the University of Louisville, where he obtained a degree in English, met his future wife, and came to the realization that he really wanted to be a chef. Enrolling in Sullivan’s renowned Culinary Arts program, Allen’s dream became a reality when he obtained his degree in 2001. Marrying his college sweetheart, they located to her hometown of Gulfport, Mississippi. Allen obtained employment at LaProvence, a French restaurant, and became the prodigy of owner Chef Chris Kenageoung. Allen started as the Pastry Chef and within three years was promoted to the Chef of LaProvence. The Heintzmans were working towards opening their own restaurant in Gulfport when Katrina intervened.

Shortly after relocating to Louisville, Allen stopped in to see Sherry Klein, Director of Graduate Employment Services at Sullivan for help.

“Allen was not a typical appointment,” said Mrs. Klein. “He did not have a resume, nor a sheet with references; he came in empty-handed. However, one thing Allen did have, was a really wonderful spirit.”

She asked Allen how he was coping and he said that in addition to losing his livelihood, his home, furnishings, and clothes, he was upset because “my knives, my tools, my recipes, handouts from my classes, cook books, reference books, everything is gone.”

Sullivan University to the rescue

“I introduced Allen to Dr. coppock, Executive Vice President/CEO of Sullivan University on our way to my office,” Mrs. Klein said “and mentioned that Allen was a victim of Hurricane Katrina and lost everything.” She continued, “Tears came to Allen’s eyes, and in mine as well, when Dr. Coppock came by the office and presented Allen with a new set of knives from Sullivan University. Allen said that he was overwhelmed by the kindness of the University and he would use his new knives when he starts back to work.”

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Employers all agree: Sullivan’s Career Expo is the best!

Twice each year, Sullivan University’s Graduate Employment Services (GES) department sponsors an outstanding Career Expo and the recently held Fall event was another resounding success. Students attended the event with resumes in hand, ready to meet potential employers and discuss job opportunities. Employers came ready to hire from all academic areas, including Culinary Arts, Baking & Pastry Management, Marketing, Accounting, Medical Assisting, Information Technology, Travel and Tourism.

GES will host the Spring Career Expo in April. The date to be announced at a later time.

Graduation - Fall 2005

Sullivan grads are ready to take on the world

More than 4,000 people were recently in attendance at the beautiful Southeast Christian Church to honor the accomplishments realized by each and every graduate. Cameras flashed as families and friends watched with pride as graduates from Sullivan University’s Louisville, Lexington, and Fort Knox campuses were awarded certificates, diplomas, associate’s, bachelor’s, and master’s degrees from Kentucky’s largest independent University.

Special awards presented Alumnus John H. “JJ” Eubanks was awarded a Distinguished Alumnus Award. An associate degree graduate of Sullivan, he has returned and is pursuing his bachelor’s degree. Eubanks enjoyed a very successful career in professional basketball after graduating from Sullivan where he led the University’s basketball team to numerous victories on the court. Today he is Regional Sales Coordinator for Polari, Incorporated. He also works tirelessly with the youth in his community as a foster parent, and founded the “J.J. Eubanks Basketball Camp.” He is working towards opening a youth center in his hometown.

Two graduations a year Sullivan’s unique year-round quarter schedule produces graduates in March, June, September, and December, and recognizes their achievements with two formal graduation ceremonies each year.

Above, Sam Trowbridge, Ft. Knox campus. Attending graduation meant so much to them that Lindsay Hubbard, left, who works at Spago Beverly Hills Restaurant, flew in from California and Itza Villar-Fisher travelled from Georgia. Read about Lindsay in The Herald, Summer 2005, page 10.

“New” degree awarded Jack Nally became the first graduate receiving Sullivan’s Master of Science in Dispute Resolution (MSDR) degree, with the honor, Summa Cum Laude.

Director of Sullivan’s Dispute Resolution program, Dr. John Willis "We are fortunate that Jack Nally enrolled as one of this program’s first students. He brought maturity, thoughtful intelligence and many life experiences to his colleagues and fellow students. Jack attained this distinction despite an unexpected health challenge he overcame.

I’m proud to know him.”

Jack plans to mediate in the Scott County, Indiana, area and eventually fund a non-profit community mediation center.

Jack Nally proudly holds his degree and President’s Cup. His wife Jane is also a Sullivan graduate. She earned her Culinary Arts degree in 2002. Jack also earned his Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management degrees...

Dr. Stanley Curtis, founder and President of USA Harvest served as commencement speaker challenging each graduate to make a difference in the world. Curtis was granted an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration Degree, the University’s highest and most respected honor.

"We have several students working on my resume, and I feel very confident. I think I’m ready to take on the world. I have learned to work hard and get my assignments done on time. I think I’m ready to take on the world." On his future, Zach Carlow, Ft. Knox campus.

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The Sullivan University Foundation provided $95,000 in scholarship assistance to 236 students during the 2005 Fall Semester.

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