It's Official: More Students Choose Sullivan College

That's correct! Sullivan College has now grown to become Kentucky's largest independent four-year college or university, according to statistics recently released in the 1998 Higher Education Directory.

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With nearly 2,500 students from more than 38 states and four foreign countries, Sullivan College's stature and reputation as a leading career college continues to grow.

Why This Growth

The fast-paced career programs that can be completed in a year or less to a new Master's of Business Administration (MBA) degree, are reasons more and more students are choosing Sullivan College for their educational experience.

Students state they chose Sullivan because the College offers numerous Diploma and Associate degree programs that can be completed in nine to eighteen months, innovative Bachelor of Science degree programs in Business Administration and Paralegal Studies that can be completed in three to three-and-one-half years, and the MBA degree which can be finished in just another eighteen months after the Bachelor's.

Overall Metro Rankings Up, Too

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Sullivan College's Culinary Salon Competition Team brought home 12 more medals and awards from their latest competition, held recently in Cincinnati. This brings to 164 the number of awards won by Sullivan teams in American Culinary Federation approved and sponsored culinary shows.

Winning team members and their awards are: Nancy Divincenzo, gold medal in centerpiece cake and gold medal in petit fours; Kevin Maher, gold medal in cake/cookies and judges special award; Mary George, gold for centerpiece and silver in cake/chocolates; Joseph Blauvelt, gold medal in hot foods; Mark Otto, gold medal in hot foods; Jennifer Ealing, silver medal in hot foods; Robert King, silver medal in hot foods; Sylvia Goolsby, bronze medal in bread, and Traci Badenhausen, diploma in garde manger.

The team is coached by chefs instructors Walter "Spud" Rhea and Derek Spendlove, both of whom are International Culinary Olympics gold medal winners.

The team is now hard at work preparing for their next national competition to be held in Chicago in the spring.

The Herald adds its congratulations for another great showing!
SPECIAL TO THE HERALD
HOT FOOD TEAM WINS SILVER AT REGIONAL COMPETITION

As we go to press, we have learned that Sullivan College's Hot Food Team, representing the state of Kentucky at the American Culinary Federation Southeast Region Student Culinary Competition held in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on January 30-31, brought home silver medals for their hard work. The competition featured teams from eight states and the Bahamas.

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Hot Food competitors, each a member of Sullivan College's prestigious Culinary Salon Competition Team, are: Jenn Henderson, Louisville, Kentucky; Jennifer Ealing, Hanover, Pennsylvania; Neal Morris, Ashland, Kentucky; Robert King, Jeffersonville, Indiana; and Martin Mascher, Greenwood, Indiana.

The team was selected through a professionally organized competition at the College. Students were tested in the areas of knife skills, menu planning, and the execution of various cooking skills.

The team is coached by Chef Derek Spendlove, a Certified Executive Pastry Chef, Certified Culinary Educator, and a Chef-Instructor at the College. Chef Walter "Spud" Rhea, Certified Master Pastry Chef, Certified Executive Chef, Certified Culinary Educator, and Baking & Pastry Arts Department Chairperson at Sullivan College, is the team manager.

Both of these chef-instructors are American Culinary Federation approved culinary judges, multiple gold medal winners at previous International Culinary Olympics competitions who share their knowledge, experience, and professional standards with Sullivan students on a daily basis.
It all began with Sullivan College sophomore travel and tourism students and three staff members from the Louisville and Lexington campuses boarding a plane at Louisville International Airport for their flight to sunny Florida.

First Stop... Orlando

Upon arriving in Orlando, students spent their first day and evening at Disney's Pleasure Island. The following day, students had their choice of visiting one of Walt Disney's theme parks, Sea World, or Universal Studios. Then, it was on to Ft. Lauderdale by bus to board the Carnival Lines cruise ship Fantasy for a trip to the Bahamas.

Set Sail... Next Stop Bahamas

While at sea, the Sullivan students were invited to attend the Captain's dinner and reception. Once in the Bahamas, students had the opportunity to go scuba diving, snorkeling and shopping before heading back to the United States.

A Valuable Learning Experience

"This trip was not all fun and games for our students," said Sherry Klein, Director of Placement for the National Center for Hospitality Studies. "While on this trip, our students gathered information, spoke with theme park employees, a variety of ship's personnel, and others in the travel and tourism industry. Each student then writes a report on the information they gathered.

"Our graduates are accepting positions at major hotels, theme parks, air lines and travel agencies across the country," added Mrs. Klein. "It is, therefore, very important that our students get first-hand experience and exposure to the travel and tourism industry."

One of Two Trips

The annual cruise is one of two trips included as part of the regular tuition for Sullivan travel and tourism students. The first trip freshman level students take is usually to a major tourist site in the United States. The most recent trip took Sullivan students to New York City and Washington, D.C., by train and charter bus. "These trips are an excellent way of combining the classroom experience with exposure to the real world," added Mrs. Klein.
Microsoft Award Winner

Terry Kibiloski, chairperson of Sullivan’s Computer Science department, received an honorable mention award in the nationwide 1997 Microsoft Innovators in Higher Education Challenge competition. Mr. Kibiloski’s submission involved having students use Microsoft FrontPage 97 to build their portfolios.

The portfolios would include links to the students’ resumes, research papers and programs they had written. The portfolios could then be loaded onto the College’s web site or their own personal web site.

According to Mr. Kibiloski, “Through this approach, students will begin to view the world of the internet, intranet and web browsers as the norm. This will give our students a distinct advantage in selling themselves to prospective employers via the internet, thinking internet solutions as their natural mindset, and building real solutions for their new employers.”

Scholarship Winners

Students enrolled in Sullivan College’s National Center for Hospitality Studies recently were awarded 11 of the 18 scholarships presented by the Kentucky Restaurant Association Educational Foundation.

Sullivan scholarship winners were: Joseph Blauvelt, Nathan Carlson, Jennifer Ealing, Jessica Edens, Emily Hans, Jennifer Henderson, Jared Herbert, Athena Kirkland, Dawn Musgrave, Jeffrey Sea and Nikia Ware.

The purpose of the foundation is to upgrade the professionalism of foodservice in Kentucky. The scholarships are designed to encourage those already in foodservice to increase their opportunities.

Bachelor’s Program Planned in Hospitality Management

Plans are under way to offer Sullivan College students enrolled in associate degree programs at the National Center for Hospitality Studies an opportunity to earn a bachelor’s degree, according to NCHS Dean Newall Hunter. The new degree program in Hospitality Management is planned to begin in the Summer quarter of 1998.

According to Dean Hunter, “The degree uses a 2+2 approach, whereby students are able to apply the course taken during their associate degree as part of their bachelor’s degree requirements.”

“Additionally, students who are serious about the hospitality industry as a career will be able to build on their management skills in our new bachelor’s degree program with more business oriented courses such as human resources, marketing, accounting and advanced level hospitality courses,” he added.

Computer Technology Update

Sullivan College’s Computer Science department recently moved from stand alone PC’s to a network environment. PC’s in the College’s four computer labs are now connected via a Windows NT 4.0 network.

The network server has provided a more stable system, free of troublesome viruses. A second major benefit is that most software used by students is available on any computer connected to the network.

New Printers Also Installed

During the Fall quarter, new Lexmark laser printers were installed in the school’s computer labs. These fast, 12 page per minute, 1200 dpi laser printers provide students with superior print quality and speed, more flexible print options, and as an added benefit, they are quieter, too.
Sullivan Receives "Best of the Midwest" Award

The November/December issue of Midwest Food-service News spotlighted Sullivan College's Culinary Arts program in its "Best of the Midwest" section.

"This regular feature is our way of recognizing businesses like yours that are doing an outstanding job in every phase of the foodservice business," said publisher Kathleen Mogg. The College also received a plaque from the magazine commemorating its selection.

Sullivan's selection for this award was based on a variety of factors, including the quality of the College's Culinary Arts program, the success of Winston's Restaurant, the outstanding record achieved by the Culinary Salon Competition team, the hands-on training experiences available to culinary students and the College's superior placement record.
MA Program Accredited Through the Year 2004

Sullivan College’s new Master of Business Administration (MBA) program was accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools when the first MBA students began classes in January, 1995. During May, 1997, a visiting committee of educators from the Southeast was on campus to review the new program.

“I am pleased to announce that the Commission on Colleges at its December, 1997, annual meeting included the MBA program as part of Sullivan College’s overall accreditation through the year 2004,” stated Dr. James B. Verrieu, Vice President/Chief Operating Officer.

The first graduates of Sullivan’s Master of Business Administration program will be honored at the College’s July, 1998, graduation.
Sullivan and UKCC Sign Articulation Agreement

Through an articulation agreement signed between Sullivan College and the University of Kentucky Community College System, students completing the A.A., A.S., or A.A.S. at any of the University of Kentucky's 16 community colleges may transfer up to 60 semester hours to Sullivan College toward the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree.

Sullivan College, with campuses in Louisville, Lexington and Fort Knox, has entered into this pre-baccalaureate transfer agreement to facilitate University of Kentucky Community College System course transfer into Sullivan's BSBA program.

Students can complete their BSBA degree evenings and weekends in only two years while they are employed full time, providing them with work experience and an income while they complete their degree.
Sullivan Faculty Provide Expertise for Local Media

Keleigh Wine, chairperson of Sullivan College’s Professional Nanny program was recently interviewed by WLKY-TV to provide background information and insight into the au pair trial and verdict that received national attention.

Ms. Wine differentiated the minimal training received by au pairs, who often have little more experience than baby sitting, versus the solid nine-month, full-time education students receive in health, safety and first aid, nutrition, and childhood development in Sullivan’s Professional Nanny Program.

Sullivan faculty members are often called upon by local media to provide their expertise on topics of local and national importance.

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Over 40 counselors from area high schools were recently on campus to learn more about Sullivan College’s academic programs and to tour the College’s facilities. The counselors enjoyed a delicious lunch at Sullivan College’s Winston’s Restaurant before attending a brief closing presentation by College President A.R. Sullivan.
NCHS Alum Returns to Campus to Recruit for Walt Disney World

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Following long negotiations with the state to acquire the parcel of land in front of the College at the corner of Bardstown Road and the Watterson Expressway, a new student parking lot with 105 spaces has proven to be a welcome addition at the College.

Growing enrollment in the College’s many programs, from its career-in-a-year diploma programs to the new MBA degree – has made additional parking a high priority for both students and the Sullivan administration.
Construction Begins on New Library/Learning Resource Center

An artist’s rendering of the new library and learning resource center building (right) shows the view of the library from the Sullivan College cafeteria. The new library is scheduled to be open by the 1999 Winter quarter. A covered walkway also is planned from the main campus building to the new library.

A bulldozer clears the site of Sullivan College’s new multi-million dollar library and learning resource center (below). The new facility will more than triple the size of the current library.
Construction is almost finished on an enclosed vestibule leading from the main Winston's Restaurant entrance to a new private dining and meeting room. The overwhelming success of Winston's Restaurant at Sullivan College, a three-and-one-half star gourmet restaurant used as a senior training site, has created a need for additional space to meet the demand for its superb cuisine.
Hyatt/Sullivan Partnership

Plans are under way to integrate Hyatt Regency training software and paid student internships into Sullivan College’s Hotel/Restaurant Management program, according to program chairperson Kenny Sommerville.

"Students are the real winners in any partnership between business and the academic community," said Mr. Sommerville.

In addition to working with actual industry software in the classroom, Sullivan students also will benefit from paid real-world experience working in the hotel’s food & beverage and rooms divisions.

"This partnership with the Hyatt means our graduates will have a real advantage over their competitors once they enter the job market," added Mr. Sommerville. "It’s a win-win situation for all involved."
Winston’s Wins Kentucky Restaurant Association “Restaurant of the Year” Award

Winston’s Restaurant at Sullivan College, the three-and-one-half star gourmet training restaurant at the College, recently won the Kentucky Restaurant Association’s Best Industry Promotion Award.

Shown at the presentation ceremony, from left to right, are: Kentucky Restaurant Association President Chip Tullar; Sullivan College Executive Vice President Glenn Sullivan; Winston’s General Manager Greg Fearing; Sullivan College’s National Center for Hospitality Studies Dean Newal Hunter; and KRA board member Bob Patterson.
Kerry Sommerville, chairperson of Sullivan College's Hotel/Restaurant Management program, recently presented a seminar on Hotel Security at the Louisville Hyatt Regency. The four-hour seminar, sponsored by the Greater Louisville Motel Hotel Association (GLMHA), was attended by over 70 hotel managers and their security personnel.

"We felt that this was a subject whose time had come," said Goven Bronson, Hyatt Regency Louisville's director of security and seminar organizer. "GLMHA hopes to present similar seminars in the future. Being a Sullivan graduate myself (1987 Hotel/Restaurant Management), I am sold on Sullivan College's faculty expertise and enthusiasm for participating in such events."
Sullivan Awards $71,000 in Scholarships at College & Career Expo

Sullivan College was among the more than 35 colleges and universities that awarded over $281,000 in scholarships during the 1997 College and Career Expo held recently at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center.

Thousands of high school juniors and seniors from throughout the region had the opportunity to visit with representatives from colleges and universities from across the nation, discuss career opportunities and register for scholarship drawings. A total of 112 scholarships valued at $281,505 were awarded to attendees at the end of the day’s activities.

Sullivan College awarded scholarships worth $71,000 to 21 lucky winners. Sullivan scholarship winners were: Rick McCarthy, Amy Fisher and Melody Coleman, all from Fern Creek High School; Stephanie Vance and Jackie Wile from Oldham County High School; LeTonya Bradley and Idanon King from Southern High School; Mary Jane Smith and Keith Elliott from Ballard High School; Charity Patton and Victoria Baumgarten from Butler High School; Latrese Rivers and Aisha Gray from duPont Manual High School; Dawn Paulin, South Park High School; Ricky Heine, Male High School; Chris Greerwell, Moore High School; Dawn Paulin, South Park High School; Adrienne Johnson, Shaveree High School; Matt Clark, Charlestown (IN) High School; Caroleyn Clark, Pleasure Ridge Park High School; and David Morris, GED.
Lucky Parent Wins “Back to School with the Kids” Scholarship

Dreams can come true. Just ask Linda Forde, the mother of four and an accounting clerk for the Jefferson County Board of Education.

Ms. Forde, a graduate of Butler High School, had long wanted to return to school, but home, family and financial considerations made it extremely difficult for her to do so. As the winner of a one-year scholarship to Sullivan College worth over $9,000, her dream can now become a reality.

In addition to a number of other criteria, contestants for the scholarship had to complete an application and write a short essay on “Why they didn’t go to college after high school and why they want to attend college today.” Scholarship entry forms were placed in PNC bank branches throughout Kentuckiana. The contest was promoted on Jacor Broadcasting’s FM station 107.7 WSFR. Completed entries were then sent to Jacor Broadcasting of Louisville for final judging. The winning entry was announced at a press conference held at Sullivan College.

With her scholarship, Ms. Forde wants to pursue a degree in accounting, with the ultimate goal of becoming a certified public accountant. Congratulations to Linda Forde, the winner of Sullivan College’s “Back to School with the Kids” scholarship!

Linda Forde, third from left, proudly displays her scholarship certificate following a presentation ceremony held at Sullivan College. Also shown, from left to right, are: Mike Moll, PNC Bank; Debbie Crecelius, Jacor Broadcasting; and Sullivan College Executive Vice President Glenn Sullivan. PNC Bank, Jacor Broadcasting and Sullivan College were joint sponsors of the promotion to send a lucky parent back to school with the kids. Ms. Forde was the lucky winner of a one-year scholarship worth $9,000.
Community Outreach – Student Government Lends a Helping Hand

Giving the Gift of Life

Sullivan students, faculty and staff members are never too busy to turn out in record numbers to contribute to the American Red Cross Blood Drive, sponsored each quarter by Sullivan's Student Government Association.

Shown above, from left to right, are: Jay Marr, Associate Director of Student Affairs; Dr. James Vernon, Sullivan College Vice President /COO; Sherry Klein, NCHS Director of Placement; Mark Chaddic, Student Government Vice President; Giovanna Mitchell, College Receptionist; David Graves, Student Government Association Class Representative; and Debbie Robinson, Administrative Assistant.

Kentucky Harvest

Student Government Association Vice President Mark Chaddic, center in the photo at left, was the driving force behind the non-perishable food drive that raised over 1,540 items in support of Kentucky Harvest.

As they were loading the boxes, a Kentucky Harvest volunteer stated, “There are a lot of people who will not go hungry this holiday season because of this donation. Thank you!”

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College Hosts On-Campus Career Expo

Sullivan's Fall Career Expo, sponsored by the College's Graduate Employment Services (GES) department, attracted employers from across the United States seeking qualified Sullivan graduates. The annual Career Expo is open to current Sullivan students, as well as all past graduates of the College.

Several hundred students attended this year's Expo that featured over 65 recruiters from more than 35 different companies. Students and graduates had the opportunity to meet with company representatives during the morning, with many scheduling interviews for later in the day. A number of students ended the day with job offers in hand.

"This annual event is just another example of our strong commitment to both our current and former students," said Sherry Klein, National Center for Hospitality Studies Employment Director and coordinator of the Career Expo. "Our 99% graduate employment success rate reflects our pride and dedication in finding meaningful employment for our graduates in their chosen field of study," added Mrs. Klein.

Hundreds of students arrived professionally dressed with resumes in hand ready to meet and interview with the many companies that participated in Sullivan College's Fall Career Expo.
Winter '98 Commencement Marks New Beginning for Grads

Above: Allen Rose (right), a member of Sullivan College's Board of Directors, joined President A.R. Sullivan (left) in presenting Sullivan College's Distinguished Citizen's Award to commencement speaker Stan Curtis, First Vice President of J.C. Bradford and Company and founder of USA Harvest, the largest all-volunteer food distribution organization in America.

Below: Executive Pastry Chef Walter Rhyes presented Mary Catherine George with her gold medal from the Cincinnati Culinary Salon following her address to the graduates.

Top center: Sheronda Brooks was among the Diploma and Degree recipients who graduated with a 3.7 to 4.0 grade point average and were presented President's Cup Awards during commencement.

Above: It was a full house with standing-room only for the second straight time as family and friends filled Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's Alumni Hall for Sullivan College's commencement ceremony for Summer and Fall graduates. With members of Sullivan's charter class of Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree students set to graduate in July, President Sullivan said the College may have outgrown Alumni Hall. Sullivan has two graduation ceremonies a year – one in January for Summer and Fall quarter graduates and one in July for Winter and Spring quarter graduates.

Above: Sullivan College President A.R. Sullivan presents the Honorable Jerry E. Abramson, Mayor of Louisville, with an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree during the College's commencement ceremony for Summer and Fall graduates held on Saturday, January 17, 1998. Below: Recalcitrant graduate Sarah Hunley and her mother were among the many happy graduates and proud family and friends who posed for photos at the conclusion of the College's mid-year commencement ceremony.