

III. REPORTS

A. Report from Board Chair

B. Committee Reports

Executive/Planning Committee*

Mr. Timothy Burke, Chair

Board Relations Committee*

Vacant

Finance/Audit Committee*

Ms. Barb Baurer, Chair

Academic and Student Affairs Committee*

Mr. Carl Mito, Chair

* All trustees serve as members of the committee.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes

November 16, 2018 Board Meeting

B. Housing Rates

RESIDENCE HALLS & GREEK COURT- 2019-2020 Academic Year Rates (Effective Fall Semester 2019) Per semester rate based on double occupancy

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>	
7 Meal Plan Option 7 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$200 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 2 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,381	\$66	\$4,447	(Rm \$3,113/Bd \$1,334)
10 Meal Plan Option 10 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$60 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 3 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,577	\$69	\$4,646	(Rm \$3,113/Bd \$1,533)
12 Meal Plan Option 12 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$100 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 4 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,750	\$71	\$4,821	(Rm \$3,113/Bd \$1,708)
15 Meal Plan Option 15 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$140 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 5 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$4,941	\$74	\$5,015	(Rm \$3,113/Bd \$1,902)
Unlimited Meal Plan Option 55 Dining Center Meals per Week plus \$150 Dining Dollars per Semester plus 6 Bonus Meals per Semester	\$5,215	\$78	\$5,293	(Rm \$3,113/Bd \$2,180)

The Meal Plan Option permits each student with a board plan to use a specified number of Dining Dollars for any of the following: 1) Purchases at the Food Court within the University Union; 2) Purchases at our residence hall convenience centers; 3) Purchases at Panther Pantry and Java B&B in the University Union; 4) Meals for a guest in any Dining Center when accompanied by the student; 5) Additional meals for the student in any Dining Center. Bonus Meals allows the plan holder to use those meals for a guest or for themselves if they run out of meals.

Adjusted Usage Charges

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Double Room as Single (per Semester)	\$850	\$0	\$850
Triple Room as Double (per Semester)	\$450	\$0	\$450

Summer Room and Board (1.5% increase)	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
2020 Summer - 4 week - Single Room	\$1,017	\$15	\$1,032
2020 Summer - 4 week - Double Room	\$813	\$12	\$825
2020 Summer - 6 week - Single Room	\$1,525	\$23	\$1,548
2020 Summer - 6 week - Double Room	\$1,219	\$18	\$1,237
2020 Summer - 8 week - Single Room	\$2,034	\$31	\$2,065
2020 Summer - 8 week - Double Room	\$1,623	\$24	\$1,647

NOTE: 12 Meal Plan Option is the only option offered during Summer Sessions

B. Housing Rates (Cont.)

UNIVERSITY APARTMENTS (Monthly rates will be effective August 1, 2019)

<u>10 MONTHS:</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Efficiency Apartment	\$4,880	\$0	\$4,880
1 Bedroom Apartment	\$5,130	\$0	\$5,130
<u>PER MONTH:</u>			
Efficiency Apartment	\$488	\$0	\$488
1 Bedroom Apartment	\$513	\$0	\$513

**UNIVERSITY COURT - 2019-2020 Academic Year Rates (Effective August 1, 2019)
Per resident, per semester, based on double occupancy**

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,598	\$0	\$2,598
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Balcony	\$2,756	\$0	\$2,756
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,795	\$0	\$2,795
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Balcony	\$2,895	\$0	\$2,895
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$3,002	\$0	\$3,002
Studio	\$2,460	\$0	\$2,460
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath	\$3,290	\$0	\$3,290

Fall 2019 Semester Only Contracts

2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$2,858	\$0	\$2,858
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Balcony	\$3,032	\$0	\$3,032
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, No Balcony	\$3,074	\$0	\$3,074
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Balcony	\$3,184	\$0	\$3,184
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$3,302	\$0	\$3,302
Studio	\$2,706	\$0	\$2,706
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath	\$3,618	\$0	\$3,618

Summer 2020 (Effective May 2020)

Monthly Rate

2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$490	\$0	\$490
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Balcony	\$523	\$0	\$523
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, No Balcony	\$518	\$0	\$518
2 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath, Balcony	\$538	\$0	\$538
1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, No Balcony	\$490	\$0	\$490
Studio	\$491	\$0	\$491
3 Bedroom, 1 Bath	\$550	\$0	\$550

Adjusted Usage Charges	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
Two Bedroom Apartment as Single	\$850	\$0	\$850

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the room and board rates for FY20.

C. FY20 Grant-In-Aid Fee Increase

FY20 Grant-In-Aid Fee Increase

FY19 Grant-In-Aid Fee Increase (Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Summer 2020)

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Increase</u>
<u>Grant-In-Aid Fee</u>	\$16.00	\$16.24	\$.24

*In 1982, the Board of Governors approved the indexing of the Grant-In-Aid fee equal to the increase in the approved room and board rates. For FY20 a rate of 1.5% is applied to the Grant-In- Aid Fee.

It is recommended that the Board approve the Grant-in-Aid fee increase.

D. Purchase Approvals

1. Purchase Item: WEIU Tower Modifications

Description / Explanation: This purchase is for WEIU television tower modifications to comply with the requirements of the ANSI/TIA-222-G, Structural Standard for Antenna Supporting Structures and Antennas and the repackaging directives of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The repairs, reinforcement and 10 foot height extension will be performed in accordance with the plans prepared by Hodge Structural Engineers, LLC and Electronics Research, Inc.

Cost: \$378,829.00 (including \$34,439.00 contingency)

Recommended Vendor: Electronics Research Inc. \$344,390.00
Chandler, IN

Summary of Bids: Electronics Research Inc. \$344,390.00
Chandler, IN

BEP Goals: The procurement had a 20% BEP goal. Electronics Research Inc. committed approximately 1% of the work to a BEP vendor.

One BEP vendor downloaded the bid document. No BEP vendors responded to the solicitation. Seventy-four vendors downloaded the bid documents.

Fund Source: Grant Funds

Rationale / Justification: In order to meet the FCC mandated television channel change from Channel 50 to Channel 30, the WEIU television tower needs to be modified in order to incorporate a larger transmitting antenna and to bring the tower up to the latest structural codes.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve this purchase item.

D. Purchase Approvals

2. **Purchase Item:** Computer Equipment

Description/Explanation: This purchase will upgrade the following computer equipment.

- 54 Academic Classroom Computers and Projectors
- 312 Lab Computers
- 200 Faculty/Staff Office Computers
- Wireless and Switch Infrastructure for Andrews and Lawson Residential Halls

Cost: \$820,081.92 (including \$39,051.52 contingency)

Recommended Vendor: CDW-G -- Vernon Hills, IL

Summary of Bids: This purchase is being done under a contract issued by the Illinois Public Higher Education Cooperative (IPHEC). The bid price is \$781,030.40.

BEP Goals: There were no BEP goals set for this purchase.

Fund Source: Local and Revenue Bond Funds

Rationale / Justification: As we continue to increase our reliance on technology, it is imperative that we take the necessary steps to refresh our computer equipment. By doing so we will be able to meet the expectations of our students, as well as support their academic success. This purchase will allow EIU to address various technology needs throughout campus as well as leverage the Data Center purchase from last year to roll out virtual desktops

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve this purchase item.

E. New Majors in Lumpkin College of Business and Technology and the College of Health and Human Services

As a result of realignment across the Division of Academic Affairs, including the dissolution of the former School of Family & Consumer Science, the proposed new programs and their academic homes will reflect the current structures. For that reason, the Lumpkin College of Business & Technology and College of Health & Human Services propose the creation of standalone degree programs associated with the current Family and Consumer Science (FCS) major. Designating the programs as independent majors will enhance the recruitment of new students vis-à-vis increased visibility and more targeted marketing. The programs will utilize existing curriculum and staffing and no additional costs are associated with the proposals.

1. FCS-Hospitality Management Option to become the Bachelor of Science in Hospitality and Tourism;
2. FCS-Family Services Option to become the Bachelor of Science in Human Services Program Administration; and
3. FCS-Dietetics Option to become the Bachelor of Science in Dietetics and Nutrition.

In addition to the new programs above, the University anticipates an additional new program based on the FCS-Fashion Merchandising and Design (FMD) Option to be housed in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences that will be presented to the board prior to the end of the current academic year. The programs list above, as well as the anticipated FMD major will be offered beginning in Fall 2019. Finally, the Family and Consumer Science Teacher Education degree will continue to be offered as part of the existing Career and Technical Education major.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve these new program requests.

F. Personnel Contract

Article II.C.2 of the Board of Trustees Governing Policies permits the President of the University to offer multi-year contracts to certain administrative personnel at Eastern Illinois University with prior approval of the Board. Dr. Glassman is recommending that the Board authorize him to offer the following contract:

New Contract:

Adam Cushing – Head Football Coach, a five-year contract for the January 2, 2019 through December 31, 2023.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the personnel contract.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

President's Report

Career Services, Ms. Bobbi Kingery

B. Reports from Constituencies

1. Faculty Senate - Dr. Todd Bruns
2. Staff Senate – No report
3. Student Government - Ms. Rebecca Cash

C. Summary of Purchases \$100,000 - \$249,999

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Type of Purchase</u>	<u>Bids</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GatesAir, Inc. Cincinnati, Ohio	TV Transmitter for WEIU	2	\$239,692.37

D. FY 2019 Deposit & Investment Reports

Eastern Illinois University
Deposit and Investment Report
For the Quarter Ending December 31, 2018

Operating Funds Investment Performance:

	Quarterly	FY to Date
Average Daily Cash Balance	\$ (3,993,211.56)	\$ (3,982,975.24)
Average Daily Invested Balance	48,013,576.59	48,430,260.86
Net Average Daily Balance	<u>\$ 44,020,365.03</u>	<u>\$ 44,447,285.62</u>
Total Interest Earned on Investments	<u>\$ 263,817.58</u>	<u>\$ 489,171.63</u>
Percentage of Net Average Daily Balance Invested	<u>109.07%</u>	<u>108.96%</u>
Annualized Average Yield	<u>2.38%</u>	<u>2.18%</u>
Benchmark - 90 Day Treasury Bill	<u>2.33%</u>	<u>2.18%</u>

Summary of Investments:

EIU invests primarily in the Illinois Funds. The Illinois Funds consist primarily of repurchase agreements, commercial paper and money market funds. EIU investments may also include U.S. Treasury Notes, Government Agencies (e.g., Federal Home Loan Bank, FNMA, etc), Money Market Funds, Depository Accounts and Commercial Paper. Earnings rates for the quarter ranged from 2.17% to 2.33%

University/Foundation/Alumni/Agency General Ledger Cash by Major Category:

Local Accounts/Athletics/Student Governed Funds/Reserves	\$ 14,097,781.45
Student Insurance Fund/Departmental Equipment Reserves	13,768,850.81
Alumni/Foundation Funds Held by the University	10,046,892.74
Construction Funds/Capital Projects	11,004,387.85
Income Fund Tuition	315,934.74
Gifts with Donor Restrictions for Departments	3,570,648.71
Housing/Student Life Construction/Repair/Replacement Reserve	2,815,468.69
Housing/Student Life Operating Funds	770,668.23
Student Loan/Work Study Funds	1,526,877.73
Research and Grant Funds	513,031.97
Parking/Lounge Operating Funds	510,330.15
Endowment Funds	259,067.03
Funds Held for Clubs/Organizations	445,730.73
Scholarships Receivable	(841,997.59)
General Revenue Funds Due From the State of Illinois	(6,561,218.90)
Total Cash Balance December 31, 2018	<u>\$ 52,242,454.34</u>

D. FY 2019 Deposit & Investment Reports (Cont.)

Endowment Funds Investment Performance:

		Quarterly		FY to Date	
Previous Portfolio Market Value	9/30/18	\$	5,453,077.01	7/1/18	\$ 5,374,132.13
Interest and Dividends Income Reinvested			51,978.60		64,533.72
Change in Value of Investments			(305,744.64)		(251,945.75)
Contributions			50,000.00		50,000.00
Withdrawal to Earnings			-		-
Farm Interest Dividends			412.59		704.71
Farm Income/Expense Net			6,755.68		19,054.43
Present Portfolio Market Value	12/31/18	\$	<u>5,256,479.24</u>	12/31/18	\$ <u>5,256,479.24</u>

Endowment Funds Asset Allocation

Schwab Institutional Brokerage Account:

	Market Value		Market Value	
	12/31/18		12/31/17	
Equity Funds:				
Brookfield Global	\$ 70,956.13		\$ 77,227.18	
John Hancock Global Absolute	229,145.77		241,544.44	
Morgan Stanley Intl	175,823.26		203,975.98	
Principal Diversified	99,772.51		108,325.03	
Touchstone Intl Small Cap.	66,239.95		85,955.81	
Vanguard Developed Markets	418,750.17		323,183.82	
Vanguard Dividend Appreciation	85,731.11		94,905.36	
Vanguard Emerging Markets	112,446.76		131,634.18	
Vanguard Total Stock Market	341,825.26		360,465.34	
Vanguard 500 Index Fund	313,285.52		327,799.42	
Vaughan Nelson Value	69,017.17		82,013.38	
Total Equity Funds		\$ 1,982,993.61		\$ 2,037,029.94
Bond Funds:				
Doubleline Total Return	\$ 77,277.38		\$ 75,947.19	
JPMorgan Core Bond	175,662.29		175,317.05	
Metropolitan West Total	177,058.29		176,778.69	
Vanguard Intermediate Term	148,272.77		148,974.02	
Total Bond Funds		578,270.73		577,016.95
Other Funds:				
Ishares Currency Hedge	\$ -		\$ 167,797.68	
Total Other Funds		-		167,797.68
Cash Funds:				
Schwab Money Market Fund/Cash		51,994.50		1,865.25
Total Schwab Institutional Brokerage Acct:		\$ 2,613,258.84		\$ 2,783,709.82
Buckler Farm Assets:				
Cash or Equivalent Operating Funds		\$ 86,461.87		\$ 83,110.79
Co-op Stock		1,758.53		2,035.31
Farmland		2,555,000.00		2,555,000.00
Total Buckler Farm Assets		2,643,220.40		2,640,146.10
Total Endowment Assets		\$ 5,256,479.24		\$ 5,423,855.92

Return of Schwab Institutional Brokerage Account	Quarterly	<u>(8.9)%</u>	FY to Date	<u>(6.7)%</u>
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E. Financial Aid Programs Report
Eastern Illinois University
Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships
Summary Statistics for FY 2018

Financial Aid Programs Report

Sixty six percent of Eastern’s student body received some type of financial assistance in FY 2018 in the form of scholarships, grants, loans, tuition waivers and/or employment, from various federal, state, university, and other programs. Financial aid in FY 2018 totaled \$83,860,165 at Eastern, a decrease of (\$6,516,413) or (-7.21%) over FY 2017. The percentage breakdown of financial aid sources is as follows: 53% federal, 10% state, 29% institutional, and 8% other.

	FY 2017	FY 2018	% of change	% of volume
Total number of financial aid recipients	6679	5894	-11.75%	
Percentage of enrollment receiving aid	78%	66%	-15.69%	
Total dollars received	\$90,376,578	\$83,860,165	-7.21%	
Average amount received by each recipient	\$13,531	\$14,228	5.15%	
Sources of financial aid				
Federal programs	\$49,094,439	\$44,506,538	-9.35%	53%
State of Illinois programs	\$8,063,224	\$8,605,211	6.72%	10%
Institutional	\$25,586,479	\$24,160,310	-5.57%	29%
Other	\$7,632,436	\$6,588,106	-13.68%	8%
Total	\$90,376,578	\$83,860,165	-7.21%	100%
Types of financial aid				
Grants, Scholarships, Waivers	\$42,395,004	\$41,518,153	-2.07%	50%
Loans	\$42,057,541	\$36,644,330	-12.87%	44%
Work	\$5,924,033	\$5,697,682	-3.82%	7%
Total	\$90,376,578	\$83,860,165	-7.21%	100%
Enrollment *				
Undergraduate	6694	6972	4.15%	
Graduate	1896	2019	6.49%	
Total	8590	8991	4.67%	

* Source for enrollment information: EIU Office of Planning and Institutional Research, *12-month Unduplicated Count by Race/Ethnicity and Gender for the Academic Year* and as reported on the annual Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate (FISAP).
 All other figures as reported to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) by the EIU Office of Financial Aid.

F. University Highlights

From November 2, 2018 to January 11, 2019

To save space, only story introductions are included. All stories are available in full at <http://castle.eiu.edu/media/>.

AROUND CAMPUS

EIU Open House to offer exclusive look at state's top public regional university

Jan-10-2019

Eastern Illinois University will host a Friday, February 8 Open House, giving community college transfer students an exclusive look at all the opportunities Illinois' top-ranked public regional university can provide.

Watch EIU's December 15 Commencement Live via Webstream

Dec-14-2018

Public Announcement:

EIU's Graduation Live Stream - Saturday, Dec. 15

Available on weiu.net and YouTube

If friends and family can't make it to Charleston for EIU graduation, there is still an opportunity to graduates walk across the stage and receive their diplomas.

EIU's fall commencement ceremonies set for Saturday, Dec.15

Dec-13-2018

Eastern Illinois University will host its fall 2018 commencement celebration in two ceremonies in Lantz Arena on Saturday, December 15.

Douglas-Hart Foundation to operate EIU's Whiteside Garden

Dec-06-2018

Former Eastern Illinois University professor Dr. Wesley Whiteside dedicated his life to the study of botany. To further enhance and promote Dr. Whiteside's enduring legacy, EIU has worked with its community partners at the Douglas-Hart Foundation to transition operation of the locally famous Whiteside Garden, which will be combined with the Douglas-Hart Nature Center and Friendship Garden.

EIU to host "A Picture Perfect Holiday" at Old Main December 12

Dec-06-2018

Eastern Illinois University invites the public to "A Picture Perfect Holiday" at Old Main from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, December 12.

"Entrepreneurship Week" at EIU to feature alumni guest speakers

Nov-07-2018

Credit: Katelyn Eddington, Daily Eastern News

Two Eastern Illinois University alumni guest speakers will give presentations as part of "Entrepreneurship Week," which starts Wednesday, November 7 and extends through November 14.

STUDENT/FACULTY/STAFF/ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

EIU Foundation names 2018 Honorary Lifetime & Outstanding Foundation members

Jan-10-2019

The Eastern Illinois University Foundation has recognized three individuals as honorary lifetime and outstanding members for 2018. ... EIU's 2018 honorees included Dr. Vaughn and Ruth Jaenike of Charleston, Illinois, who were named the EIU Foundation's 2018 Honorary Lifetime Members, and John D. Schmitt of Chicago, who was named the EIU Foundation's 2018 Outstanding Member.

EIU Enrollment Story of the Month - Edwyn Mitchell

Jan-10-2019

EIU recruits and educates some amazing students. This month's story is about Edwyn Mitchell. Edwyn came to EIU as a freshman from Homewood Flossmoor High School in Fall 2015, and ever since stepping on campus Edwyn has been excelling in his studies and in his extracurricular pursuits. He has had a positive and meaningful impact on all those around him, and his passion for EIU shows every day.

FOCUS ON ATHLETICS

All stories available in full at <https://eiupanthers.com/archives.aspx>. Story headlines embedded in link URLs.

- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2019/1/9/football-coach-spooler-memorial-event-set-for-feb-16.aspx?path=gen>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2019/1/7/mens-basketball-wallace-named-ovc-newcomer-of-the-week.aspx?path=mhball>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2019/1/4/football-caputo-named-to-fcsada-academic-all-star-team.aspx?path=football>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2019/1/4/football-hollins-earns-first-team-all-american-honors.aspx?path=football>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/12/31/womens-basketball-wahl-earns-ovc-freshman-of-the-week-honors.aspx?path=wbball>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/12/26/general-eiu-student-athletes-give-back-to-community.aspx?path=gen>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/12/24/general-eiu-student-athletes-make-the-grade.aspx?path=gen>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/12/24/womens-basketball-karle-pace-named-ovc-player-of-the-week.aspx?path=wbball>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/12/18/general-giving-blue-day-a-success-for-eiu-athletics.aspx?path=gen>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/12/10/adam-cushing-hired-as-25th-eiu-football-coach.aspx?path=football>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/20/six-named-to-all-ovc-football-teams.aspx?path=football>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/19/football-hollins-a-finalist-for-walter-payton-award.aspx?path=football>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/16/womens-swimming-records-fall-during-day-one-at-house-of-champions.aspx?path=mswim>

- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/15/general-eiu-student-athletes-rank-high-in-ncaa-gsr.aspx?path=gen>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/14/volleyball-taylor-smith-earns-ovc-second-team-honors.aspx?path=wvball>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/12/mens-soccer-luke-harkrader-named-to-all-tournament-team.aspx?path=msoc>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/11/football-johnson-named-ovc-offensive-player-of-the-week.aspx?path=football>
- <https://eiupanthers.com/news/2018/11/8/womens-soccer-carlson-named-second-team-academic-all-region.aspx?path=wsoc>

From November 2, 2018 to January 11, 2019

To save space, a composite summary of positive news headlines has been gathered from an online analytic tool, allowing for a more concentrated media snapshot.

- **City Council votes to proceed with block program application**
<https://www.dailyeasternnews.com/2019/01/06/city-council-votes-to-proceed-with-block-program-application/>
Combs appointed John Inyart, Jeff Lahr, Brad Oyer, and Eastern President David Glassman to the Local Liquor Control Advisory Commission, with terms to be served simultaneously with Comb's term of office.
- **Poverty dropping in Coles County but not for older populations**
https://jg-tc.com/news/local/poverty-dropping-in-coles-county-but-not-for-older-populations/article_7c188f70-f7b6-5ed4-918d-7f59498dca36.html
Research done by EIU's Dr. Michael Gillespie.
- **EIU This is Who We Are in Production**
https://www.effinghamdailynews.com/community/eiu-this-is-who-we-are-in-production/article_f9e5b47c-b277-5227-aae4-b44da8e26532.html
WEIU is producing a feature on EIU.
- **EIU Online Master's in History Named Top Program**
https://www.prweb.com/releases/onlinemasters_com_names_top_master_s_in_history_programs_for_2019/prweb15999032.htm
- **EIU Faculty Member selected as Assistant Regional Office Superintendent**
https://jg-tc.com/news/local/eastern-illinois-university-faculty-member-selected-for-assistant-regional-office/article_183fd6af-7c30-51fa-b929-2ef023adb718.html
An instructor at Eastern Illinois University will be transitioning to the local regional office of education, according to a press release. Regional Superintendent-elect Kyle Thompson has appointed Zakry Standerfer to work alongside him at the Regional Office of Education No. 11 beginning July 1.
- **Dale Righter selected as EIU Commencement Speaker**
https://jg-tc.com/news/local/state-sen-dale-righter-selected-as-eastern-illinois-university-commencement/article_348b0cf6-91c2-599b-a87b-34ae664809fd.html
State Sen. Dale Righter selected as Eastern Illinois University commencement speaker
CHARLESTON -- State Sen. Dale Righter, R-Mattoon, will be speaking to soon-to-be graduates at Eastern Illinois University during the fall commencement ceremonies this weekend.
- **Eastern Illinois University's Holiday Art Sale readies for holiday shoppers**
https://jg-tc.com/lifestyles/announcements/eastern-illinois-university-s-holiday-art-sale-readies-for-holiday/article_e33e7d1e-77ea-5a23-a6ed-b52578d13972.html
CHARLESTON -- If you struggle to find that perfect gift for that special person you will not want to miss Eastern Illinois University's Holiday Art Sale Nov. 30, Dec. 1 and 2.
- **College students begin sustainability garden**
https://www.pantagraph.com/news/local/college-students-begin-sustainability-garden/article_41afdbe0-0d91-5419-b184-93ac401c47da.html
Students at Eastern Illinois University are looking to create a garden on campus and, in addition to their trips to the store for purchases, they will be heading to the local wastewater treatment plant.
- **Estate donates to Wesley Foundation at Eastern Illinois University**
https://jg-tc.com/lifestyles/announcements/estate-donates-to-wesley-foundation-at-eastern-illinois-university/article_c07d5e8f-66fc-5c35-a3a8-28b302abfd63.html
The Wesley Foundation at Eastern Illinois University was the beneficiary of a substantial donation from the June Krutza estate, according to a press release.

- **EIU's Theatre to present '9 to 5 The Musical'**
https://jg-tc.com/lifestyles/announcements/eiu-s-theatre-to-present-to-the-musical/article_9d0b276a-a638-51e8-82f7-a878746c10a7.html
 CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University's Theatre Department will present "9 to 5 The Musical" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. The performance will take place in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's Theatre. Tickets for comedy-musical are available now at the Doudna Box Office or online at Doudnatix.com.
- **Adam Cushing Hired As EIU Football Coach**
<http://www.thexradio.com/news/sports/football/36906-adam-cushing-hired-as-eiu-football-coach>
 CHARLESTON, Ill – Chicago native and long-time assistant coach at Northwestern University, Adam Cushing, has been hired as the 25th head football coach at Eastern Illinois University and the sixth in the NCAA Division I history of the program. An introductory press conference was held today (Dec. 10) in the Baker/Warmoth Hall of Champions in Lantz Arena.
- **Rudolph TV special has Illinois connections**
<https://www.mywebtimes.com/2018/12/08/rudolph-tv-special-has-illinois-connections/aubxwqd/>
 Fans of the beloved television special "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" eagerly await the annual appearance of the little reindeer, who first flashed his nose in 1964. The show has a strong Illinois connection. (EIU's Burl Ives).

G. Other Matters

H. Public Comment