

SI Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program

SIU Carbondale | John A. Logan College | Shawnee Community College

What is the SI Bridges to the Baccalaureate?

The Southern Illinois Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program (SI Bridges) is a National Institutes of Health (NIH) program that provides services and opportunities for underserved community college students to complete the associate degree and transfer to SIU Carbondale to finish a baccalaureate degree. The training is in *biomedical and behavioral science (BBS) research*, and is not intended to support students interested in pursuing a professional degree in health sciences such as a Medical or Dental Degree. Participation in this program is completely voluntary and a participant may withdraw at any time without repercussions.

What are the benefits?

SI Bridges students will participate in a two-year program that offers:

- **Paid** professional training through seminars, innovative courses, and authentic research experiences.
- Strong multi-faceted mentoring, academic advising, tutoring and counseling.
- Professional development activities that include enhancement of communication and academic skills, success strategies, career planning, and exposure to biomedical and behavioral science disciplines.

Are you eligible?

You are eligible to apply if you meet the following qualifications:

- You are a US citizen or US permanent resident
- Meet **one** or more of the following eligibility criteria
 - A. You are a first-generation college student because neither of your parents has a bachelor's degree.
 - B. You have a demonstrated financial need on the HHS income levels (based on FAFSA).
 - C. You have a documented physical or mental disability.
 - D. You are a member of an underrepresented minority group (African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American/Alaska Native or Pacific Islander)
- Will transfer to Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC) after their associates to complete the Baccalaureate.
- Are a full-time student (minimum of 12 hours) enrolled in a BBS degree program.
- Have completed one year of community college by the time of acceptance to SI Bridges.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.7 at the college level.
- Have a career interest in biomedical or behavioral sciences.
- Are available to participate in all program activities for two complete years as follows.

Year 1- While at Community College

If you are a sophomore, you start from **Sp1**

If you are a freshman, you start from **Su1**

Sp1— Connecting Life Course- 4 hrs per week

Total Earned: \$1380 (\$15 x 4 hrs/wk over 23 weeks)

Su1— Summer Research Institute- 37.5 hrs per week

Total Earned: \$6750 (\$15 x 37.5 hrs/wk over 12 weeks)

Year 2- Transferred to SIUC

Fa2— Reasoning to Research & STEM Research

Total Earned: \$2925 (\$15 x13 hrs/wk 15 weeks)

Sp2— STEM Research 10 hrs per week

Total Earned: \$2250 (\$15 x 10 hrs/wk over 15 weeks)

Su2— Summer Research Institute 37.5 hrs/week

Total Earned: \$5625 (\$15 x 37.5 hrs/wk over 10 weeks)

What is the application process?

1. Submit completed application and required materials by the deadline.
2. Selection committee will review applicant information and make recommendations.
3. Interviews will be conducted with qualified applicants.
4. Selection of the cohorts will be completed in Fall 2022, and Spring 2023.

Section I: Personal Information

1. **Name:** _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

2. **Home Address:**

 Street

 City State Zip

3. **Contact Information:**

 Home

 Cell Phone

 Email

4. **Date of Birth:** ____/____/____
MM DD YYYY

5. **I identify my gender as:**

Female Male Other _____
 Prefer not to answer

6. **Citizenship Status:**

US Citizen US Permanent Resident
 Other, please specify _____

7. **Are you a first-generation college student (i.e. your parents did not graduate with a bachelor's degree)?**

Yes No

8. **Ethnicity:**

Hispanic or Latino/a
 Not Hispanic or Latino/a

9. **Race:** (please check all that apply)

- Asian
- Black or African American
- Caucasian
- Native American
- Pacific Islander
- Other- Please specify: _____

10. **Do you have a disability?**

Yes No

A. **If yes, which of the following categories describe your disability(ies)?**

- Hearing Mobility Visual
- Learning Other: _____

11. **If you are eligible for this program based on financial need, please answer the following and provide a copy of your FAFSA.**

Family Household size: _____
 Family Annual Income: \$ _____

2022 HHS Federal Income Guidelines

Family Size	Income	Family Size	Income
1	\$13,590	5	\$32,470
2	\$18,310	6	\$37,190
3	\$23,030	7	\$41,910
4	\$27,750	8	\$46,630

12. **Awards: List awards, honors or special recognitions:**

Section 2: Educational Background

13. Extracurricular Activities: List school related activities, volunteer experiences and/or employment. Indicate leadership positions held (if any):

14. High School Equivalence

I cannot provide high school background information because I completed my GED on

MM/YYYY

15. High School Information:

A. Name of High School:

B. High School Location:

C. GPA: _____

16. Community College Information:

A. Current Community College

John A Logan

Shawnee Community College

B. Current Major: _____

C. Current GPA: _____

D. Start Date at Current School: ____/____/____ MM / YYYY

Projected graduation date: ____/____/____
MM / YYYY

17. What kind of degree are you currently pursuing?

Associates in Arts (AA)

Associates in Science (AS)

18. What is the total number of credits you have earned towards your degree?

19. Please tell us about any other college(s) previously attended:

College: _____

Major: _____

Credit Completed: _____

Start Date: ____/____/____
MM / YYYY

End Date: ____/____/____
MM / YYYY

20. Please tell us about your transfer plans to SIUC.

Projected Transfer Date: ____/____/____
MM / YYYY

Career Goals: _____

RECOMMENDATION FORM

Return to the appropriate campus liason:

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.

In what capacity have you known this applicant? _____ How long? _____

Please provide your honest appraisal of this student as to other students in your classes or area of study:

	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	Unable to Evaluate
Writing Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Oral Communication Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reliability/ Responsibility/ & Follow Through	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organizational Skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please comment on the applicant's qualities that you feel are exceptional:
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Company or Institution	Title & Department	
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