



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS BASKETBALL 2019-20 GAME NOTES

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GAME

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November 8
6:30 p.m. CT
Silver Spurs Arena
Capacity: 8,000
Kissimmee, Fla.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS

1-0 // 0-0 MVC // 0-0 Neutral
Head Coach Bryan Mullins
Record at SIU: 1-0 (1st)
Career: Same

UTSA ROADRUNNERS

0-1 // 0-0 C-USA // 0-0 Neutral
Head Coach Steve Henson
Record at UTSA: 51-49 (4th)
Career: Same

GAME

3

November 9
2 p.m. CT
Silver Spurs Arena
Capacity: 8,000
Kissimmee, Fla.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS

1-0 // 0-0 MVC // 0-0 Neutral
Head Coach Bryan Mullins
Record at SIU: 1-0
Career: Same

DELAWARE BLUE HENS

1-0 // 0-0 CAA // 0-0 Neutral
Head Coach Martin Ingelsby
Record at UD: 45-55 (4th)
Career: Same

GAME

4

November 10
12 p.m. CT
Silver Spurs Arena
Capacity: 8,000
Kissimmee, Fla.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS

1-0 // 0-0 MVC // 0-0 Neutral
Head Coach Bryan Mullins
Record at SIU: 1-0
Career: Same

OAKLAND GRIZZLIES

1-0 // 0-0 Horizon // 0-0 Neutral
Head Coach Greg Kampe
Record at OAK: 618-455 (36th)
Career: Same

2019-20 SCHEDULE

OVERALL: 1-0 // MVC: 0-0
H: 1-0 // A: 0-0 // N: 0-0

OCTOBER (0-0)

Tue. 22 Minnesota State (exh.) W, 56-41

NOVEMBER (1-0)

Tue. 5 Illinois Wesleyan (ESPN3) W, 76-48

Sunshine Slam (Kissimmee, Fla.)

Fri. 8 vs. UTSA (FloHoops) 6:30 p.m.

Sat. 9 vs. Delaware (FloHoops) 2 p.m.

Sun. 10 vs. Oakland (FloHoops) 12 p.m.

Sat. 16 San Francisco (ESPN3) 7 p.m.

Tue. 19 at Murray State (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Tue. 26 NC Central (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

DECEMBER (0-0)

Sun. 1 at Saint Louis (Fox Sports Midwest) 3 p.m.

Wed. 4 Norfolk State (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Sat. 7 at Southern Miss TBD

Sun. 15 at Mizzou (SEC Network) 3 p.m.

Wed. 18 Hampton (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Sat. 21 Southeast Missouri (ESPN3) 3 p.m.

Mon. 30 * at Indiana State (MVC TV Network) 7 p.m.

JANUARY (0-0)

Sat. 4 * Illinois State (ESPN3) 3 p.m.

Tue. 7 * Valparaiso (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Sat. 11 * at Bradley (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Thu. 16 * at Loyola (MVC TV Network) 7 p.m.

Sun. 19 * Drake (ESPNU or ESPN3) 3 p.m.

Wed. 22 * Northern Iowa (MVC TV Network) 8 p.m.

Sat. 25 * at Illinois State (ESPN3) 2 p.m.

Wed. 29 * Loyola (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

FEBRUARY (0-0)

Sat. 1 * at Drake (ESPN3) 5 p.m.

Wed. 5 * at Evansville (ESPN+) 6 p.m.

Sat. 8 * Missouri State (ESPN3) 7 p.m.

Wed. 12 * at Valparaiso (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Sat. 15 * Bradley (CBS Sports Network) 1 p.m.

Thu. 20 * Evansville (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Sun. 23 * at Northern Iowa (ESPNU or ESPN3) 1 p.m.

Wed. 26 * Indiana State (ESPN+) 7 p.m.

Sat. 29 * at Missouri State (TBD) TBD

MARCH (0-0)

State Farm MVC Tournament

Thu. 5 First Round (ESPN+) TBD

Fri. 6 Quarterfinals TBD

Sat. 7 Semifinals TBD

Sun. 8 Championship TBD

All times Central and subject to change

* Missouri Valley Conference Game

MVC TV Network = Fox Sports Midwest, NBC Sports Chicago, Fox Sports Kansas City, Fox Sports Indiana and ESPN+ or ESPN3 (subject to blackout)

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LAST GAME'S STARTING LINEUP



MARCUS DOMASK

ERIC MCGILL

AARON COOK JR.

HARWIN FRANCOIS

BARRET BENSON

OPENING TIP

- » Southern Illinois is in Kissimmee, Fla., for the Sunshine Slam tournament. SIU will play three games in three days, starting on Friday night vs. UTSA. The Salukis will play Delaware on Saturday and Oakland on Sunday.
- » Aaron Cook enters the game with 120 career steals, which is 30 more than anyone else in the Missouri Valley Conference
 1. Aaron Cook, Southern Illinois (120)
 2. Jordan Barnes, Indiana State (90)
 3. Darrell Brown, Bradley (79)
 4. KJ Riley, Evansville (71)
- » SIU is led by first-year head coach Bryan Mullins, who also played at SIU from 2006-09. Mullins was inducted into the SIU Hall of Fame as a player in 2018.
- » The Salukis won their season opener against Illinois Wesleyan 76-48 on Tuesday night at Banterra Center. SIU had five players in double-figures and held IWU to just 30.1 percent shooting for the game (20% in the first half).



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KATZ-AM 1600 St. Louis, Mo.
TuneInRadio (SIUSalukis.com/TuneIn)



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NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown	Last School
0	Ben Harvey	G	6-5	205	So.	Jonesboro, Ark.	Eastern Illinois
1	Marcus Domask	F	6-6	215	Fr.	Waupun, Wis.	Waupun HS
2	Karrington Davis	G	6-6	210	r-Fr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Nebraska
3	Ronnie Suggs Jr.	G	6-6	205	Gr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Missouri
4	Eric McGill	G	6-2	180	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.	Panola College
5	Lance Jones	G	6-1	200	Fr.	Evanston, Ill.	Evanston Township HS
10	Aaron Cook Jr.	G	6-2	185	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Westminster Christian Acad.
12	Sekou Dembele	F	6-7	230	r-Fr.	Bamako, Mali	Central Park Christian (AL)
21	Will Keller	F	6-7	230	Jr.	Marion, Ill.	John A. Logan College
22	Harwin Francois	G	6-4	190	So.	Fort Myers, Fla.	Daytona State College
24	Trent Brown	G	6-2	175	Fr.	Scottsdale, Ariz.	Pinnacle HS
25	Brendon Gooch	G	6-5	205	Jr.	Belleville, Ill.	Althoff HS
30	Stevan Jeremic	C	6-11	250	Jr.	Belgrade, Serbia	Utah State Univ. Eastern
40	Barret Benson	C	6-10	240	Gr.	Willowbrook, Ill.	Northwestern

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown	High School/Last School
40	Barret Benson	C	6-10	240	Gr.	Willowbrook, Ill.	Northwestern
24	Trent Brown	G	6-2	175	Fr.	Scottsdale, Ariz.	Pinnacle HS
10	Aaron Cook Jr.	G	6-2	185	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Westminster Christian Acad.
2	Karrington Davis	G	6-6	210	r-Fr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Nebraska
12	Sekou Dembele	F	6-7	230	r-Fr.	Bamako, Mali	Central Park Christian (AL)
1	Marcus Domask	F	6-6	215	Fr.	Waupun, Wis.	Waupun HS
22	Harwin Francois	G	6-4	190	So.	Fort Myers, Fla.	Daytona State College
25	Brendon Gooch	G	6-5	205	Jr.	Belleville, Ill.	Althoff HS
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4	Eric McGill	G	6-2	180	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.	Panola College
3	Ronnie Suggs Jr.	G	6-6	205	Gr.	St. Louis, Mo.	Missouri

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Bryan Mullins
Alma Mater	Southern Illinois (2009)
Record at School	1-0 (First Year)
Career Record	Same
Basketball Phone	453-4667
Assistant	Brendan Mullins
Assistant	Pat Monaghan
Assistant	Jevon Mamon
Operations	Ken Moses
Player Development	Connor Wheeler
Graduate Assistant	Robby Dosier
Graduate Assistant	Tony Wills
Sports Performance	Marcus Edwards

PRONUNCIATIONS

Sekou Dembele	See-koo dem-belly
Marcus Domask	d'mask
Harwin Francois	fran-swah
Stevan Jeremic	steh-vawn jare-uh-mick
Pat Monaghan	mawn-uh-hann
Jevon Mamon	je-vawn may-munn
Robby Dosier	doh-zure

QUICK FACTS

School	Southern Illinois University
City/Zip	Carbondale, IL (62901)
Founded	1869
Enrollment	11,695 (Fall 2019)
Nickname	Salukis
Colors	Maroon and White
Arena	Banterra Center
Capacity	8,284
Affiliation	Division I
Conference	Missouri Valley
President	Dr. J. Kevin Dorsey
Chancellor	Dr. John M. Dunn
Director of Athletics	Liz Jarnigan
Alma Mater	St. Olaf, 1987
Athletic Phone	618-453-5311
Ticket Office Phone	618-453-2000

HISTORY

First Year of Basketball	1913
All-time Record (through 2018-19)	1543-1092
Years in NCAA Tournament/Last	10/2007
Years in NIT/Last	9/2008
Last Postseason Opponent	Arizona State, '08
Result	Lost, 65-51, Second Round

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STARTERS RETURNING (2)	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	PPG	RPG	MPG	Note
Aaron Cook	6-2	185	G	10.4	2.4	32.8	41 steals (3rd in MVC)
Eric McGill	6-2	175	G	9.5	5.7	30.5	48 steals (2nd in MVC)

OTHER RETURNEES (2)	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	PPG	RPG	MPG	Note
Brendon Gooch	6-5	205	F	1.4	1.3	7.3	
Sekou Dembele	6-7	230	F		Redshirted		

STARTERS LOST (3)	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	PPG	RPG	MPG	Note
Armon Fletcher	6-5	215	F	16.5	6.1	32.7	Graduated
Sean Lloyd, Jr.	6-5	215	G	10.9	4.3	31.5	Graduated
Kavion Phippen	6-10	245	C	12.8	5.6	24.2	Graduated

OTHERS LOST (4)	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	PPG	RPG	MPG	Note
Marcus Bartley	6-5	200	G	5.1	1.9	24.1	Graduated
Darius Beane	6-3	175	G	3.0	2.8	15.5	Transferred to NIU
Thik Bol	6-8	225	F	3.5	3.0	12.8	Graduated
Rudy Stradnieks	6-9	240	F	2.5	1.1	7.0	Graduated

Newcomers (10)	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Pos.	Note
Barret Benson	6-10	240	Gr.	C	Grad transfer from Northwestern
Trent Brown	6-2	175	Fr.	G	Won back-to-back 6A Ariz. HS titles
Karrington Davis	6-6	210	r-Fr.	G	Nebraska transfer
Marcus Domask	6-6	215	Fr.	F	2019 Wisconsin Mr. Basketball
Harwin Francois	6-4	190	So.	G	47.6% 3FG at Daytona State JC last yr
Ben Harvey	6-5	205	So.	G	E. Ill. transfer ... Will sit out 19-20
Will Keller	6-7	230	Jr.	F	From nearby Marion, Ill.
Stevan Jeremic	6-11	250	Jr.	C	Tallest Saluki since Deng Leek (15-16)
Lance Jones	6-1	200	Fr.	G	Won 110 games in 4 years in HS
Ronnie Suggs	6-6	205	Gr.	G	Grad transfer from Mizzou

PERCENTAGE RETURNING	Scoring	Rebounding	Assists
All Games	29.3%	24.7%	44.7%
Conference Games	27.8%	25.6%	47.4%

ROSTER BREAKDOWN	Freshmen	Sophomores	Juniors	Seniors
By Class	5	2	3	4



BRYAN MULLINS

Head Coach // First Season

Southern Illinois University welcomed home one of its all-time greats, naming Bryan Mullins as the school's 14th men's basketball head coach on March 20, 2019.

Mullins, 32, is a member of the Saluki Hall of Fame, in recognition of a four-year career (2006-09) in which he set the school record for assists and steals and was the point guard for two NCAA Tournament teams (2006, 2007) and an NIT squad (2008). Southern Illinois advanced to the Sweet 16 in 2007, won a school-record 29 games and finished the season at a school-best No. 11 national ranking.

"I visited with Bryan fairly early in the search process and he has everything you want in a coach," said then-SIU Director of Athletics Jerry Kill. "His interview blew me away. When I walked out of there, it was easy to go to the next round of people, because he set the standard of what they had to be, and I couldn't find anyone better, and I went all over the country."

After graduating from SIU in 2009, Mullins embarked upon a four-year professional career in France. He retired in 2013 and joined Porter Moser's staff at Loyola as the director of operations. Mullins ascended to assistant coach in 2015 and associate head coach in 2018, helping the Ramblers during their historic 2018 season in which the team won a school-record 32 games, advanced to the Final Four and finished the season with a No. 7 national ranking.

"I am so happy for Bryan to get this opportunity to lead his alma mater," Moser said. "I am so grateful for his friendship and loyalty working side-by-side with him for the last six years. He is a tireless worker in addition to being a first-class person and is a perfect fit to lead Southern Illinois University."

Loyola won back-to-back Missouri Valley Conference championships in 2018 and 2019, and Mullins was a key factor in the program's success, recruiting All-Conference players such as Cameron Krutwig and 2019 MVC Player of the Year Marques Townes.

Bryan Mullins is one of nine head coaches in Division I basketball who has played in a **SWEET SIXTEEN** and coached in a **FINAL FOUR**.

"Bryan's won at everything he's ever done," said Kill. "There's no doubt in my mind he's the right fit. Our teams will play hard and be tough."

Mullins was a two-time MVC Defensive Player of the Year at Southern Illinois and earned MVC All-Defensive Team recognition in each of his four seasons with the Salukis. As a freshman, the 6-foot-

2 guard led the MVC and ranked seventh in the nation in steals (2.85 spg) and was named to the MVC's All-Newcomer and All-Defensive teams.

"Bryan was one of the greatest players in Saluki history and created so many great memories for Saluki fans during his playing career," said two-time MVC Coach of the Year Chris Lowery, who coached Mullins all four seasons at SIU. "Now, I'm looking forward to him making those memories from the sideline."

Off the court, Mullins graduated from Southern with a degree in finance and a perfect 4.0 cumulative grade-point average. He was a three-time All-Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete Team pick and won the 2009 MVC Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award. A two-time Academic All-American, Mullins won the MVC's Dr. Charlotte West Scholar-Athlete award and President's Council Academic award.

"Bryan Mullins is the embodiment of every positive quality we need to lead Saluki Basketball," said former Saluki associate head coach Rodney Watson and current head coach at Southern Indiana. "This is a brilliant hire and great day for Saluki Nation. Congratulations Bryan, we are excited to watch your teams compete for championships."

SIU'S RECORD WHEN...

MULLINS ERA

Home	1-0
Road	0-0
Neutral	0-0
MVC	0-0
MVC Home	0-0
MVC Road	0-0
Arch Madness	0-0
Vs. Top-25	0-0
Leading at half	1-0
Trailing at half	0-0
Tied at half	0-0
Outrebounded opponent	0-0
Outrebounded by opponent	1-0
Reb. tied	0-0
Has more turnovers than opp.	0-0
Has fewer turnovers than opp.	1-0
Scores fewer than 60 points	0-0
Scores 60-69 points	0-0
Scores 70-79	1-0
Scores 75+	1-0
Scores 80+	0-0
Has a 20-point scorer	0-0
SIU player has a double-double	0-0
In November	1-0
In December	0-0
In January	0-0
In February	0-0
In March	0-0
Overtime	0-0
Margin is 5 points or fewer	0-0
Margin is 6-9 points	0-0
Margin is 10-19 points	0-0
Margin is 20+	1-0
Shooting 45% or better	1-0
Holding opp. to 39.9% or worse	1-0

SIU AT MVC ARENAS...

ALL-TIME

A.R.C	0-2
Carver Arena	13-26
Ford Center	3-6
Gentile Arena	3-3
Hulman Center	26-18
JQH Arena	4-8
Knapp Center	21-10
McLeod Center	2-11
Redbird Arena	12-20

VS. THE MVC MULLINS ERA

BRADLEY		ILLINOIS STATE		MISSOURI STATE	
Overall	0-0	Overall	0-0	Overall	0-0
Home	0-0	Home	0-0	Home	0-0
Road	0-0	Road	0-0	Road	0-0
Arch Madness	0-0	Arch Madness	0-0	Arch Madness	0-0
DRAKE		INDIANA STATE		NORTHERN IOWA	
Overall	0-0	Overall	0-0	Overall	0-0
Home	0-0	Home	0-0	Home	0-0
Road	0-0	Road	0-0	Road	0-0
Arch Madness	0-0	Arch Madness	0-0	Arch Madness	0-0
EVANSVILLE		LOYOLA		VALPARAISO	
Overall	0-0	Overall	0-0	Overall	0-0
Home	0-0	Home	0-0	Home	0-0
Road	0-0	Road	0-0	Road	0-0
Arch Madness	0-0	Arch Madness	0-0	Arch Madness	0-0

SEASON PRIMER

- » SIU opens the 106th season of basketball on Tuesday night at Banterra Center. SIU is 72-33 in season openers.
- » The 2019-20 Salukis have two returning starters and 11 newcomers (including redshirt freshman Sekou Dembele). SIU's 11 newcomers are tied for fifth most in the nation.

NEWCOMERS

SIU has 11 newcomers in 2019-20 (including redshirt freshman Sekou Dembele), which is tied for fifth-most in the nation.

SCHOOL	# OF NEWCOMERS
1. TCU	15
1. Nebraska	15
3. ECU	13
4. Utah	12
5. SIU	11
7 others with	11

- » **OUTSIDE EXPECTATIONS:** The Salukis were picked last in the preseason Missouri Valley Conference poll of head coaches, sports information directors and media. SIU was picked last for the first time since 2012-13.
- » **WHAT'S BACK:** SIU's two returning starters are senior guards Aaron Cook and Eric McGill. McGill (2nd) and Cook (3rd) finished in the top-three of the MVC in steals last year. Combined, the duo averaged 20 points, 8 rebounds, and 6 assists per game last year.
- » **WHAT WAS LOST:** The Salukis lost three starters who earned All-MVC recognition last year: Armon Fletcher (All-MVC second team), Kavion Pippen (All-MVC third team and All-Defensive team) and Sean Lloyd, Jr. (MVC All-Defensive team).
 - » Fletcher and Lloyd were both career 1,000-point scorers at SIU.
 - » Pippen, the nephew of Scottie Pippen, averaged 12.4 points on 55.5% shooting over two seasons at SIU. He was briefly signed by the Golden State Warriors during the preseason.
 - » All three are playing professionally now: Pippen is in the G-League and both Fletcher and Lloyd are playing professionally in Europe.
- » The Salukis graduated six seniors from last year's team. In addition to the three playing professionally, SIU lost Marcus Bartley (career 37.7% 3-point shooter), Thik Bol (107 career blocks in 62 games), and Rudy Stradnieks (247 career points).
- » **WHAT'S NEW:** Graduate transfers Ronnie Suggs (Mizzou) and Barret Benson (Northwestern) lead the way. Suggs is in his second stint in the MVC after playing his first two seasons at Bradley.
- » Freshman forward Marcus Domask was named Mr. Basketball in the state of Wisconsin in 2019. He had a double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds in the exhibition win over Minnesota State.
- » Trent Brown and Lance Jones join Domask as true freshmen on the team. Brown was the first player to commit to head coach Bryan Mullins after he took over at SIU. Jones signed his NLI in November 2018 and remained committed when Coach Mullins took over.

- » Nebraska transfer Karrington Davis had his transfer waiver approved and will be a redshirt freshman at SIU this year after sitting out last year at Nebraska with an achilles injury. Another Division I transfer, Ben Harvey (Eastern Illinois), will sit out this season and take a redshirt due to NCAA transfer rules.
- » Stevan Jeremic, Will Keller, and Harwin Francois are junior college transfers new to the team this year. Keller is from neaby Marion, Ill., and grew up watching SIU. Francois was one of the top 3-point shooters in junior college last year, and Jeremic is SIU's biggest player (6-11) since 2015-16.
- » Brendon Gooch and Sekou Dembele return from last year's team. Dembele redshirted and will be a redshirt freshman. With the graduation of six seniors, Gooch could see his role increase after averaging 1.4 points over 16 games last year.

SERIES CHECK

- » SIU's meetings vs. UTSA and Delaware will be the first-ever meetings between the schools. SIU has only played Oakland once, a 97-88 win in Carbondale during the 2015-16 season.

EARLY START

- » Early start: Prior to this season, SIU had only ever played three games before November 11.
 - » 11/9/19 at #2 Kentucky (L, 71-59)
 - » 11/10/18 at Winthrop (W, 81-66)
 - » 11/10/06 vs. Washington (Mo.) (W, 59-28)
- » After this weekend at Sunshine Slam, SIU will have played four games this season before November 11.

WINNERS

- » One theme across the players that Mullins has brought into the program: winners.
 - » Trent Brown (back-to-back), Marcus Domask, Karrington Davis, and Ben Harvey all won state championships in high school.
 - » Ronnie Suggs, Lance Jones, and Harwin Francois all led their high school teams to state Final Fours or state championship games.
 - » Barret Benson, as a freshman, helped Northwestern make the NCAA Tournament for the first and only time in that program's history.

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

- » **SB | HW** - SIU is wearing a patch on its jerseys this year that is two sets of initials, honoring Harvey Welch and Seymour Bryson, who passed away within days of each other earlier in 2019.
 - » **Bryson** earned three degrees from SIU, set a school record with 1,244 career rebounds from 1955-59 (a record that still stands), and went on to become the first African-American associate dean of a college and the second African-American dean. **Welch** was the first black athlete to letter in basketball at SIU, playing from 1951 to 1954. After serving 20 years as a colonel in the Air Force he returned to SIU as the first African-American dean of student life and as vice chancellor of student affairs.

- » **LEAVE A LEGACY:** Head coach Bryan Mullins honored every member of every SIU team that has made an NCAA Tournament, and NIT, or won a conference championship on a graphic that players walk past on their way from the locker room to the court.
- » **TOUGHER TOGETHER:** The official hashtag of the 2019-20 season is #TougherTogether, representing the team's emphasis on toughness and togetherness.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

- » SIU's team GPA in summer 2019 was 3.385, which is the program's best summer GPA on record.
- » Senior guard Aaron Cook is a two-time member of the MVC Scholar-Athlete Team. Cook holds a 3.2 GPA in exercise science.
- » Three SIU seniors have already earned their degrees. Graduate transfers Barret Benson (Northwestern) and Ronnie Suggs (Mizzou) earned theirs at other institutions. Benson graduated from Northwestern in only three years.
- » Eric McGill graduated from SIU in May with a degree in university studies and a minor in marketing. He is currently pursuing a master's degree in recreation.
- » SIU has produced 99 Academic All-Americans across all its sports, which is the most of any MVC school and among the national leaders.

NEW LOOK

- » SIU unveiled a new logo on February 28, 2019 at a private ceremony. The logo is SIU's first logo redesign since 2001.
- » The new logo refreshes the traditional Saluki "dog head" with a cleaner, streamlined appearance.
- » The new logo will take full effect in the 2019-20 academic year.
- » "The Saluki is unique throughout collegiate athletics," said SIU's then-Director of Athletics Jerry Kill. "Our goal with the new logo was to retain the original look and feel of the Saluki, while giving it a sleeker, modern feel. There are exciting changes happening within Saluki Athletics and Southern Illinois University as a whole, and the new logo is symbolic of the progress we intend to make."

DOMINATING DEFENSE

- » SIU guards Eric McGill and Aaron Cook ranked 2-3 in the MVC in steals last year, leading an SIU defense that held opponents to 42.7% from the field, the best mark for an SIU team since 2007-08 (when now-head coach Bryan Mullins was a junior at SIU).
- » In the season opener vs. Illinois Wesleyan, the Salukis held the Titans to 30.1% shooting, the seventh-best field-goal percentage defense in the last decade:
 1. vs. Wright State - 11/27/10 (21.6%)
 2. Jackson State - 12/13/17 (25.4%)
 3. Loyola - 3/3/17 (27.3%)
 4. Northern Illinois - 12/22/10 (27.9%)
 5. San Diego - 11/27/13 (29.2%)
 6. Northern Illinois - 12/17/11 (29.2%)
 7. Illinois Wesleyan - 11/5/19 (30.1%)

» In SIU's exhibition win over Minnesota State (Oct. 22), SIU's defense dominated the high-scoring Mavericks. Last year, Minnesota State averaged 80 points per game en route to an at-large NCAA Tournament bid. SIU held them to 41 points, MSU's lowest total since the 1980-81 season.

» If the game had counted, SIU would have put up its best defensive performance (in terms of points allowed) since only giving up 39 points to Evansville in 2008. The Salukis held Minnesota State to 26.6% shooting.

OFFENSE INDICATOR

» SIU has won 22-straight games when scoring 75+ points. SIU's last loss when scoring 75+ was January 18, 2017 (L, 88-84 at Drake).

» Since the start of the 2015-16 season, SIU is 44-3 (.936) when scoring 75 points or more.

SALUKIS HONORED

» Aaron Cook was named to the Las Vegas Holiday Invitational All-Tournament Team. In four games, Cook averaged 11 points and five assists, including a career-high 10 assists vs. Arkansas Pine Bluff.

» Eric McGill was named MVC Newcomer of the Week (Nov. 25) after averaging 16.0 points in two games at the Las Vegas Holiday Invitational.

» Cook is a two-time MVC Scholar-Athlete Second Team honoree. He holds a 3.22 GPA.

» Cook was a member of the MVC Most Improved Team in 2017-18 as a sophomore. He averaged 9.8 points and 2.7 assists in 33 games (32 starts) and led the team in 3-point shooting percentage (.384). Cook averaged 3.0 points, 0.9 assists and 10.6 minutes as a freshman the previous season.

DAWG BITES

» Saluki Athletics donated more than 5,300 hours of community service to Carbondale and the surrounding area during 2018-19, which ranked fourth in the nation.

» Mid-Major Madness listed SIU's non-conference schedule as the toughest in the Missouri Valley Conference: (1) Southern Illinois, (2) Illinois State, (3) Missouri State, (4) Loyola, (5) Bradley, (6) Drake.

» The Salukis have made at least one 3-point field goal in 147 consecutive games.

» Head coach Bryan Mullins and assistant coach Brendan Mullins are brothers. They are the only brothers coaching together in Division I basketball.

» With SIU's season-opening 76-48 win in the season opener over Illinois Wesleyan, head coach Bryan Mullins improved to 11-0 in season openers (4-0 as a player at SIU, 6-0 on staff at Loyola, and 1-0 as head coach at SIU).

» Four all-time great Salukis went into the SIU Hall of Fame in the last two years. In the Class of 2018, Jermaine Dearman, Bruce Weber, and Bryan Mullins all were inducted. In the class of 2019, Chris Lowery was inducted.

SIU'S RECENT COACHING DEBUTS

QUICK FACTS

- » Three of the last four SIU head coaches actually started their inaugural season on the road. Chris Lowery is the only coach since Rich Herrin to begin his SIU coaching career at Banterra Center.
- » SIU's 13 head coaches combined to go 8-5 in their debuts. Such greats as William McAndrew, Harry Gallatin, Jack Hartman, and Bruce Weber all lost their first career game.
- » Bryan Mullins (age 32) is the latest in a long line of SIU's excellent track record for hiring young head coaches: William McAndrew (26), Harry Gallatin (31), Chris Lowery (32), and Matt Painter (33) all made their coaching debuts at SIU before they turned 35.

BARRY HINSON

SIU 72, NEW ORLEANS 55 // NOV. 12, 2012

SIU opened the Barry Hinson era with a road win, thanks in part to a career-high 27 points from Jeff Early. SIU forced 27 turnovers, led by 16 at halftime and by as many as 24 in the second half. The 2012-13 Salukis, coming off an 8-23 season the year before, went 14-17 overall and 6-12 in the MVC. The season was highlighted by a win over a ranked Wichita State team at Banterra Center.

CHRIS LOWERY

SIU 83, AUGUSTANA 59 // NOV. 21, 2004

Darren Brooks had 20 points, seven steals, four assists and two blocks in Chris Lowery's head coaching debut. SIU led by 18 just nine minutes into the game and by as many as 24 in the first half. Augustana (IL) got as close as 12 midway through the second half, but SIU had 22 steals on 29 forced turnovers to cruise to the win. The 2004-05 Salukis went on to win the program's fourth-straight MVC championship and advanced to the Round of 32 in the NCAA Tournament.

MATT PAINTER

SIU 67, WYOMING 62 // NOV. 22, 2003

Matt Painter started his career on the road, and the Salukis came from behind to win. SIU trailed nearly the entire game until Josh Warren's up-and-under layup gave SIU a 63-62 lead with 2:25 to play in the game. Jamaal Tatum was a freshman and only scored two points -- a banked-in jumper with under a minute remaining in the game. SIU outscored Wyoming 42-32 in the second half. The 2003-04 Salukis started the year 24-2 overall and 17-0 in the MVC, winning the program's third-straight regular season conference championship and advancing to the NCAA Tournament for the third year in a row.

BRUCE WEBER

MURRAY STATE 65, SIU 62 // NOV. 14, 1998

SIU shot better (.423 to .364), hit six more 3-pointers (10 to 4), won the rebounding battle 38-37 in a road game at Murray State, but the Salukis committed 30 turnovers -- which remains the highest turnover total for any SIU team in a game since 1991-92. Monte Jenkins led SIU with 18 points on 6-for-9 shooting. The 1998-99 Salukis started the year 1-4 but won 12 of their next 16 and finished the year 15-12, the program's first winning season since 1994-95. SIU made the NIT in Weber's second season and the NCAA Tournament in his fourth season.

RICH HERRIN

SIU 58, CHICAGO STATE 56 // NOV. 22, 1985

Benton native Rich Herrin inherited an SIU program that had been above .500 just once in its previous six seasons. Herrin's first three teams were under .500 before he broke through with a 20-14 season in 1988-89 and made the NIT, which started a streak of seven-consecutive years of Herrin's SIU teams advancing to the NIT or NCAA Tournament.



MARCUS DOMASK FRESHMAN // FORWARD // 6-6 // 215 // WAUPUN, WIS. // WAUPUN HS

CAREER HIGHS

Points	12 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Assists	2 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Rebounds	3 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Steals	--
Blocks	--

NOTES

Pronounced d'mask (as in 'ask') ... 2019 Wisconsin Mr. Basketball (Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association) ... Had a double-double in the exhibition game (17p, 10r) ... Led HS team to state title as a freshman and state runner-up finish as a senior ... Three-star recruit (Rivals) ... Scored 2,307 points in HS, which ranks 12th in Wisconsin HS history ... Gatorade Player of the Game in the 2016 state championship game ... Averaged 26.1 points, 10.0 rebounds and 5.7 assists as a senior

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	1	1	32	32.0	4	5	.800	2	2	1.000	2	2	1.000	1	2	3	3.0	0	0	2	2.0	2	0	0	12	12.0
Total	1	1	32	32.0	4	5	.800	2	2	1.000	2	2	1.000	1	2	3	3.0	0	0	2	2.0	2	0	0	12	12.0



KARRINGTON DAVIS REDSHIRT FRESHMAN // GUARD // 6-6 // 210 // ST. LOUIS, MO. // NEBRASKA

CAREER HIGHS

Points	--
Assists	--
Rebounds	--
Steals	--
Blocks	--

NOTES

-- Redshirted at Nebraska last year (achilles) and was granted a waiver to play immediately at SIU in 2019-20 ... In HS, played with Jayson Tatum (at Chaminade Prep in STL) and RJ Barrett (at Montverde Academy in FLA) ... Member of Tom Osborne Citizenship Team in 2019 at Nebraska ... Won Missouri 5A state championship in 2016 while at Chaminade Prep ... Montverde went 35-0 and won Geico HS Nationals in 2017-18.

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.									
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.																		
2018-19			Redshirted at Nebraska																																
2019-20	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--										
TOTAL	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--										



RONNIE SUGGS JR. GRADUATE // GUARD // 6-6 // 205 // ST. LOUIS, MO. // MISSOURI

CAREER HIGHS

Points	*17 - at #10 Arizona (11/16/15)
Assists	*4 - at Missouri State (2/2/16)
Rebounds	*10 - vs. Loyola (3/3/16)
Steals	*3 - vs. North Dakota (1/27/16)
Blocks	*3 - vs. UNI (1/27/16)

NOTES

FR and SO years at Bradley ... Transferred to Mizzou for last two years (sat out 17-18) ... Grad transferred to SIU this year ... Suggs played against SIU four times while he was at Bradley (was BU's leading scorer with 12 points in a 65-44 loss to SIU on Jan. 6, 2016) ... Some of his best career games came against the best competition: career-high 17 pts vs. #10 Arizona (11/16/15) // 13 points vs. #4 Kentucky (2/19/19).

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2015-16*	32	19	962	30.1	91	271	0.336	30	115	0.261	61	87	0.701	20	109	129	4	82	1	42	1.3	57	6	20	273	8.5
2016-17*	16	1	115	7.2	10	32	0.313	1	15	0.067	9	16	0.563	6	22	28	1.8	11	0	5	0.3	5	1	4	30	1.9
2017-18	Redshirted at Mizzou																									
2018-19^	27	0	243	9	13	44	0.295	7	23	0.304	13	22	0.591	9	25	34	1.3	27	1	7	0.3	15	0	4	46	1.7
Total	75	20	1320	17.6	114	347	0.329	38	153	0.248	83	125	0.664	35	156	191	2.5	120	2	54	0.72	77	7	28	349	4.7

*2015-16 through 2016-17 statistics at Bradley // ^2018-19 statistics at Mizzou



ERIC MCGILL SENIOR // GUARD // 6-2 // 180 // MEMPHIS, TENN. // PANOLA COLLEGE

CAREER HIGHS

Points	*20 - vs. Murray State (2/4/16)
Assists	7 - at Colorado State (11/27/18)
Rebounds	12 - vs. Missouri State (1/2/19)
Steals	5 - vs. San Jose State (12/2/17)
Blocks	1 (2x)

NOTES

Played freshman year at Southeast Missouri (45 miles from Carbondale) and was roommates with Robby Dosier (now one of SIU's GA coaches) ... Medical redshirt at SIU in 2017-18 (hand) after playing 10 games ... MVC Newcomer of the Week (11/26/18) ... 48 steals in 2018-19 (2nd in MVC) ... SIU career-high for points is 19 (twice), most recently in season-opening win vs. Illinois Wesleyan this year (11/5/19)

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2015-16*	27	13	741	27.4	70	190	.368	30	92	.326	18	41	.439	11	53	64	2.4	42	1	50	1.9	37	0	38	188	7.0
2016-17	Played at Panola College (TX)																									
2017-18	10	0	192	19.2	18	51	.353	10	28	.357	4	10	.400	5	22	27	2.7	15	0	13	1.3	16	1	15	50	5.0
2019-20	1	1	29	29	7	14	.500	2	5	0.4	3	4	.750	1	3	4	4.0	0	0	3	3.0	1	0	1	19	19
Total	68	37	1876	27.6	193	462	.418	77	212	0.363	80	136	.588	56	210	266	3.9	117	2	139	2.0	95	2	102	543	8.0
SIU Only	41	24	1135	27.7	123	272	.452	47	120	0.392	62	95	.653	45	157	202	4.9	75	1	89	2.2	58	2	64	355	8.7

*2015-16 statistics at Southeast Missouri State


LANCE JONES FRESHMAN // GUARD // 6-1 // 200 // EVANSTON, ILL. // EVANSTON TOWNSHIP HS

CAREER HIGHS

Points	11 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Assists	4 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Rebounds	6 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Steals	1 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Blocks	--

NOTES

Signed NLI in November 2018 and remained committed through the coaching change ... Two-time All-State in Illinois (led Evanston Township to 3rd place in state as junior in 2018 and runner-up as senior in 2019) ... On his inspiration: "My grandmother is a woman I love with all my heart. It's always been that way. She had triple-bypass heart surgery when I was in middle school. Seeing her fight through that made an impact on me. If she can fight through that, I can fight through anything."

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	1	0	26	26.0	5	9	.556	0	2	.000	1	3	.333	1	5	6	6.0	0	0	4	4.0	3	0	1	11	11.0
Total	1	0	26	26.0	5	9	.556	0	2	.000	1	3	.333	1	5	6	6.0	0	0	4	4.0	3	0	1	11	11.0


AARON COOK JR. SENIOR // GUARD // 6-2 // 185 // ST. LOUIS, MO. // WESTMINSTER CHRISTIAN ACADEMY HS (MO.)

CAREER HIGHS

Points	25 - vs. Indiana St. (1/24/18)
Assists	10 - vs. Howard (11/19/18)
Rebounds	7 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Steals	5 - vs. Drake (1/1/17)
Blocks	2 (2x)

NOTES

Two-time MVC Scholar-Athlete Team ... MVC Most Improved Team (as a sophomore in 2017-18) ... Has started 58 consecutive games (longest active starts streak in MVC) ... 120 career steals leads active MVC players (by 30) ... More of Cook's MVC active career ranks: 3rd in assists, 6th in points, 5th in 3-pointers, 5th in free throws ... 41 steals in 2018-19 (3rd in MVC).

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2016-17	32	0	339	10.6	27	81	.333	5	27	.185	38	49	.776	7	19	26	0.8	28	0	30	0.9	27	8	31	97	3.0
2017-18	33	32	989	30.0	108	246	.439	38	99	.384	71	102	.696	7	69	76	2.3	61	0	90	2.7	74	9	47	325	9.8
2018-19	32	32	1051	32.8	112	284	.394	40	115	.348	69	105	.657	14	62	76	2.4	50	1	118	3.7	80	9	41	333	10.4
2019-20	1	1	23	23.0	5	11	.455	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	1	6	7	7.0	3	0	5	5.0	2	0	1	10	10.0
Total	98	65	2402	24.5	252	622	.405	83	244	.340	178	256	.695	29	156	185	1.9	142	1	243	2.5	183	26	120	765	7.8


SEKOU DEMBELE REDSHIRT FRESHMAN // FORWARD // 6-7 // 230 // BAMAKO, MALI // CENTRAL PARK CHRISTIAN HS (ALA.)

CAREER HIGHS

Points	--
Assists	--
Rebounds	--
Steals	--
Blocks	--

NOTES

Pronounced see-koo dem-belly ... Redshirted last season at SIU as a true FR ... Has not practiced fully yet this fall (stress fracture) ... Mom was a teacher in Mali & initially did not want him to play basketball: "Thought basketball & school together wasn't possible. She said if I didn't get good grades, I would have to quit." ... Played for Mali National Team while in 10th grade, came to US as senior in HS ... Plays hard: "I traveled 16 hours to be here. I left my family for this. I cannot go easy on the court."

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOTAL	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--


WILL KELLER JUNIOR // FORWARD // 6-7 // 230 // MARION, ILL. // MARION HS // JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE

CAREER HIGHS

Points	--
Assists	--
Rebounds	--
Steals	--
Blocks	--

NOTES

Walk-on ... Hometown (Marion, Ill.) is 26 miles east of Carbondale ... Junior college (John A. Logan) is only 8 miles away from Carbondale ... "I grew up around Saluki Basketball, and I've always wanted to play here. I remember being at games and thinking about how fun it would be to be on the floor playing." - Keller.

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOTAL	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--


HARWIN FRANCOIS SOPHOMORE // GUARD // 6-4 // 190 // FORT MYERS, FLA. // DAYTONA STATE COLLEGE

CAREER HIGHS

Points	--
Assists	--
Rebounds	2 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Steals	--
Blocks	--

NOTES

Pronounced fran-swah ... Shot 47.8% from the 3-point line last year at Daytona State, which ranked No. 17 nationally ... Was first-team All-Conference at Daytona State ... Averaged 20 points, 7 rebounds, 3.5 assists, and 2 steals as a senior in HS.

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	1	1	22	22.0	0	3	.000	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	1	1	22	22.0	0	3	.000	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0

**TRENT BROWN**

FRESHMAN // GUARD // 6-2 // 175 // SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ. // PINNACLE HS

CAREER HIGHS

Points	5 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Assists	2 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Rebounds	3 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Steals	2 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Blocks	--

NOTES

First player to commit to head coach Bryan Mullins at SIU ... Led Pinnacle HS (Arizona) to back-to-back 6A state championships ... Played with five-star prospect (now Arizona freshman) Nico Mannion at Pinnacle ... Holds Pinnacle HS records for 3-pointers in a game (10), season (98) and career (235) ... Also holds HS records for season (87%) and career (85%) free throw percentage.

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	1	0	22	22.0	2	6	.333	1	5	.200	0	0	.000	1	2	3	3.0	2	0	2	2.0	1	0	2	5	5.0
Total	1	0	22	22.0	2	6	.333	1	5	.200	0	0	.000	1	2	3	3.0	2	0	2	2.0	1	0	2	5	5.0

**BRENDON GOOCH**

REDSHIRT JUNIOR // FORWARD // 6-5 // 205 // BELLEVILLE, ILL. // ALTHOFF HS

CAREER HIGHS

Points	9 - vs. Howard (11/19/18)
Assists	4 - vs. Ark. Pine Bluff (11/17/18)
Rebounds	9 - vs. Ark. Pine Bluff (11/17/18)
Steals	1 - (5x)
Blocks	1 - (7x)

NOTES

Redshirt junior (redshirted as true freshman in 2016-17) ... Has one career start (last year vs. Arkansas Pine Bluff) and responded with career-highs 9 rebounds and 4 assists (and 32 minutes -- 19 more than previous career high) ... Won Illinois 3A state title as a senior and was runner-up as a junior.

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2017-18	25	0	138	5.5	6	21	.286	5	17	.294	5	11	.455	9	25	34	1.4	7	0	5	0.2	4	5	3	22	0.9
2018-19	16	1	117	7.3	7	25	.280	7	24	.292	2	5	.400	4	16	20	1.3	2	0	5	0.3	5	1	2	23	1.4
2019-20	1	0	16	16.0	1	5	.200	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	0	3	3	3.0	0	0	3	3.0	0	1	0	2	2.0
Total	42	1	271	6.5	14	51	.275	12	44	.273	7	16	.438	13	44	57	1.4	9	0	13	0.3	9	7	5	47	1.1

**STEVAN JEREMIC**

JUNIOR // CENTER // 6-11 // 250 // BELGRADE, SERBIA // UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY EASTERN

CAREER HIGHS

Points	2 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Assists	--
Rebounds	1 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Steals	--
Blocks	1 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)

NOTES

Pronounced steh-vawn Jare-eh-mick ... Late (and last) addition to 2019-20 roster (signed September 4, 2019) ... Thrown into the fire: First day at SIU was "The Program," (military-style boot camp) -- Coach Mullins said he earned his teammates respect by how he handled it ... Tallest SIU player since 7-footer Deng Leek (2015-16) ... Played at two different JuCos: 2017-18 at Odessa College (3.4p, 2.2r, 79.5% FG) and 2018-19 at Utah State University Eastern (7.5p, 6.1r, 58% FG).

Year	GP	GS	Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds				PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
			Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.									
2019-20	1	0	9	9.0	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	0	2	2.0
Total	1	0	9	9.0	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	0	2	2.0

**BARRET BENSON**

GRADUATE // CENTER // 6-10 // 240 // WILLOWBROOK, ILL. // NORTHWESTERN

CAREER HIGHS

Points	15 - vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)
Assists	3 (2x) - last at Oklahoma (12/22/17)
Rebounds	14 - vs. Binghamton (11/16/18)
Steals	2 (2x) - last at Minnesota (1/23/18)
Blocks	5 - vs. IUPUI (12/20/16)

NOTES

Graduated in three years from Northwestern (grad transfer to SIU) ... Two-time Academic All-Big Ten ... Helped lead Northwestern to its first-ever NCAA Tournament berth (2016-17) ... Played in 96 games over three years at Northwestern (2.0p, 2.3r) ... Father, Cliff, played football at Purdue and in the NFL for four seasons.

			Minutes		Totals			3-Point			Free Throws			Rebounds												
Year	GP	GS	Min	Avg.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Off.	Def.	Tot.	Avg.	PF	FO	Ast	Avg.	TO	Blk.	Stl.	Pts.	Avg.
2016-17	32	8	256	8	26	44	0.591	0	0	0	13	23	0.565	21	30	51	1.6	50	0	12	0.4	11	19	9	65	2
2017-18	32	1	306	9.6	21	38	0.553	0	1	0	17	32	0.531	22	48	70	2.2	68	2	14	0.4	18	18	7	59	1.8
2018-19	32	5	304	9.5	25	62	0.403	2	7	0.286	18	32	0.563	27	70	97	3	52	0	11	0.3	14	10	8	70	2.2
2019-20	1	1	21	21	6	8	0.75	2	3	0.667	1	3	0.333	1	4	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	15	15
Total	97	15	887	9.1	78	152	0.513	4	11	0.364	49	90	0.544	71	152	223	2.3	171	2	37	0.4	43	48	25	209	2.2

2016-17 through 2018-19 statistics from Northwestern

MIKE REIS – RADIO “DEAN OF THE VALLEY”

Mike Reis enters his 41st year as the radio play-by-play Voice of the Salukis. He is tied with Bradley's Dave Snell for longest active tenure in the Missouri Valley Conference and ranks seventh overall. The tandem of Reis and color commentator Greg Starrick ranks third overall.

Active Division I Men's Basketball Play-By-Play Announcers

1.	52	Ray Goss	Duquesne
2.	51	Bill Hillgrove	Pittsburgh
3.	46	Art Challis	Southern Utah
3.	46	Rich Chvotkin	Georgetown
3.	46	Gene Deckerhoff	Florida State
3.	46	Don Fischer	Indiana
7.	45	Dave Nitz	Louisiana Tech
8.	42	John Cox	Southern Miss
9.	41	Mike Reis	Southern Illinois
9.	41	Dave Snell	Bradley
9.	41	Johnny Holliday	Maryland

WALT FRAZIER – THE REST OF THE STORY

Most people know that Southern's most famous basketball alum is Walt Frazier (1964-67). What they don't know is the story of how the Atlanta native ended up in Carbondale.

Basketball was Frazier's second-best sport in high school. He was offered a scholarship to play quarterback at Georgia Tech, but he didn't want to play football. Frazier went on a recruiting visit to SIU in 1963 and met with AD Donald Boydston, who was progressive about recruiting minorities during a time when southern schools rarely recruited them. According to Boydston, Frazier didn't say one word the whole trip, but called shortly after he took the train back to Atlanta to say he was enrolling at SIU.

Frazier was dismissed from the team for academic issues after his sophomore year. He went back to Atlanta and got a job doing manual labor. Frazier called in August of 1965 and asked if he could come back. He was not eligible for a scholarship, so he paid his own way and sat out his junior year, making the Dean's List. He played on the practice team, and sometimes they would beat the varsity. The 1966-67 storybook season saw Frazier lead the team to the NIT National Championship, beating Marquette in the finals. He turned pro after the season and was named one of the 50 greatest basketball players of all-time by the NBA in 1996.

ABOUT SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Carbondale is located in the southern tip of the state — about a five-hour drive south of Chicago and two hours southeast of St. Louis...Many of SIU's alums are concentrated in those two cities... Since moving to Division I in 1968, SIU has been to the NCAA Tournament 10 times, including Sweet 16 appearances in 1977, 2002 and 2007. The Salukis have made nine NIT appearances.

NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES SINCE 1975-76

SIU joined the MVC in 1975-76 and has made more NCAA Tournament appearances than any current league member.

TEAM	NCAAS
1. Southern Illinois	10
2. Valparaiso	9
3. Northern Iowa	8
4. Missouri State	6
4. Illinois State	6
6. Bradley	5
6. Evansville	5
8. Indiana State	4
9. Drake	1
9. Loyola	1

MVC CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1975-76

SIU joined the MVC in 1975-76 and has won more regular-season and conference tournament championships than any current member of the league.

	REG.	TOURN.	ALL
1. Southern Illinois	8	5	13
2. Illinois State	5	4	9
3. Bradley	5	2	7
3. Northern Iowa	2	5	7
5. Indiana State	2	3	5
6. Missouri State	1	1	2
6. Drake	1	1	2
6. Loyola	1	1	2
8. Evansville	1	0	1
9. Valparaiso	0	0	0

NOTABLE SALUKIS

- » Walt 'Clyde' Frazier
- » Bruce Weber (SIU hoops coach 1998-03) and Matt Painter (SIU hoops coach 2004)
- » Gale Sayers (SIU AD 1965-71)
- » Jim Hart (SIU QB inducted into Arizona Cardinals Ring of Honor in 2017)
- » Brandon Jacobs (SIU football 2004)
- » Bart Scott
- » Rick Spielman (Minnesota Vikings GM)
- » Saluki Baseball MLB alums: Steve Finley, Dave Stieb, Jerry Hairston, Jr., Al Levine, Duane Kuiper

RECORD BOOK UPDATE

TOP 5 COMEBACKS SINCE 2012-13

21	Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
18	at Sam Houston State, Nov. 21, 2015
17	Northern Iowa, Jan. 14, 2014
17	Wichita State, Feb. 5, 2013
15	Air Force, Nov. 13, 2015

TOP 5 OPPONENT COMEBACKS SINCE 2012-13

15	Wright State, Nov. 11, 2016
14	Indiana State, Jan. 10, 2015
13	Evansville, Jan. 28, 2016
13	at SEMO, Dec. 10, 2014
13	Saint Louis, Nov. 16, 2013

ASSISTS (CAREER)

	Player	Games	A
1.	Bryan Mullins, 2006-09	122	509
...			
19.	Monte Jenkins, 1996-99	115	247
20.	Sean O'Brien, 2014-17	131	244
...	Aaron Cook, 2017-pres.	98	243

ASSISTS (SEASON)

	Player	Games	A
1.	Bryan Mullins, 2007-08	31	154
...			
17.	Aaron Cook, 2018-19	32	118

ASSIST-TO-TURNOVER RATIO (SEASON)

MINIMUM 50 ASSISTS

	Player	A	TO	Ratio
1.	Bryan Mullins, 2008-09	124	38	3.26
...				
17.	Eric McGill, 2018-19	73	41	1.78

STEALS (CAREER)

	Player	Games	S
1.	Darren Brooks, 2001-05	134	258
...			
13.	Rick Shipley, 1988-91	127	124
14.	Aaron Cook, 2017-pres.	98	120
15.	Kelvan Lawrence, 1989-92	114	119
16.	Monte Jenkins, 1996-99	115	118

STEALS AVERAGE (CAREER)

MINIMUM 50 GAMES

	Player	Games	Avg
1.	Desmar Jackson, 2013-14	64	2.15
...			
4.	Marcus Timmons, 1990-93	125	1.69
(5)	Eric McGill, 2018-pres.	41	1.58
...			
15.	Tony Young, 2003-07	102	1.24
(16)	Aaron Cook, 2017-pres.	98	1.22

CAREER POINTS AT BANTERRA CENTER

	Player	Points
1.	Mike Glenn, 1974-78	885
...		
39.	Cleveland Bibbens, 1984-85	441
...	Aaron Cook, 2017-pres.	402

ASSISTS (GAME)

	Player	Date	Opponent	A
1.	Rob Kirsner	March 3, 1981	vs. Wichita State	13
1.	Bryan Mullins	Nov. 12, 2008	vs. UMass	13
...				
t9.	Aaron Cook	Nov. 19, 2018	Howard	10

DOUBLE-FIGURE SCORING

Player	2019-20	Career
Aaron Cook	1	39
Eric McGill	1	25
Ben Harvey	0	19
Ronnie Suggs, Jr.	0	14
Barret Benson	1	2
Marcus Domask	1	1
Lance Jones	1	1

30-POINT GAMES

Player	2019-20	Career
None		

20-POINT GAMES

Player	2019-20	Career
Aaron Cook	0	3
Ben Harvey	0	1
Eric McGill	0	1

DOUBLE-FIGURE REBOUNDING

Player	2019-20	Career
Eric McGill	0	4
Barret Benson	0	3
Ben Harvey	0	1
Ronnie Suggs, Jr.	0	1

DOUBLE-FIGURE ASSISTS

Player	2019-20	Career
Aaron Cook	0	1

DOUBLE-DOUBLES

Player	2019-20	Career
Eric McGill	0	3
Barret Benson	0	1
Ben Harvey	0	1
Ronnie Suggs, Jr.	0	1

5 PLAYERS IN DOUBLE FIGURES (1-0)

Date	Game	Result
11/5/19	Illinois Wesleyan	W, 76-48
	Benson, Cook, Domask, Jones, McGill	

THE LAST TIME

SCORING RUNS

Went on a 15-0 scoring run	(20-0) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Went on a 16-0 scoring run	(20-0) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Went on a 17-0 scoring run	(20-0) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Went on a 18-0 scoring run	(20-0) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Went on a 19-0 scoring run	(20-0) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Went on a 20-0 scoring run	vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019

COMEBACKS

Came back from 10+ point deficit	(10) at Bradley, Feb. 2, 2019
Came back from 15-point deficit	(21) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Came back from 20-point deficit	(21) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Came back from 21-point deficit	(21) vs. Northern Iowa, Jan. 23, 2019
Came back from 22-point deficit	Never happened

SUPERLATIVES

Triple-Doubles	Three all-time at SIU
	Rashad Tucker (24p, 10r, 10a) vs. UNI, Feb. 27, 1998
	Rashad Tucker (14p, 12r, 11a) at Bradley, Dec. 31, 1996
	Wayne Abrams (13p, 12r, 10a) vs. UW Milwaukee, Dec. 9, 1978
25+ points	Armon Fletcher (26) vs. Illinois State, March 2, 2019
30+ points	Armon Fletcher (34) at Evansville, Feb. 27, 2019
35+ points	Carlton Fay (38) vs. W. Michigan, Feb. 19, 2010
40+ points	Steve Middleton (42) vs. Bradley, Feb. 29, 1988
45+ points	Dick Garrett (46) vs. Centenary, Mar. 1, 1968 (SIU record)
15+ rebounds	Thik Bol (17) vs. Mo. Southern St., Nov. 16, 2016
20+ rebounds	Rick Shipley (20) vs. Illinois State, Mar. 5, 1989
25+ rebounds	Joe C. Meriweather (27) at Ind. St., Feb. 18, 1974 (SIU record)
10+ assists	Aaron Cook (10) vs. Howard, Nov. 19, 2018
13 assists (SIU record)	Rob Kirsner vs. Wichita State, March 3, 1981
	Bryan Mullins vs. UMass, Nov. 12, 2008
14+ assists	Never Happened
Two players had double-doubles	Nov. 29, 2017 vs. SIU Edwardsville
	Kavion Pippen (13p, 13r) and Jonathan Wiley (12p, 10r)
Three players had double-doubles	Feb. 1, 1997 vs. Drake
	Monte Jenkins (20p, 11r), Troy Hudson (24p, 11r), Rashad Tucker (17p, 12r)
Four players had double-doubles	Never Happened
Five players in double-figures	Feb. 9, 2018 vs. Evansville
	(Fletcher, McGill, Cook, Lloyd, Pippen)
Three players with 20+ points	Feb. 16, 2019 at Indiana State
	Armon Fletcher (20), Kavion Pippen (21), and Sean Lloyd Jr. (21)

WINNING STREAKS (ALL GAMES)

Won five games in a row	Nov. 23 - Dec. 8, 2018
School record (one season) - 19 games	Jan. 7 - Mar. 18, 1967
School record (multiple seasons) - 21 games	Jan. 7 - Dec. 2, 1967

WINNING STREAKS (MVC GAMES)

Regular season only (MVC Tournament games excluded)

5	Jan. 21 - Feb. 3, 2018
School record (one season) - 17 games	Dec. 28, 2003 - Feb. 28, 2004
School record (multiple seasons) - 21 games	Feb. 19, 2003 - Feb. 28, 2004

WINNING STREAKS (MVC HOME GAMES)

5	(7 straight), Jan. 3 - Feb. 17, 2018
School record (multiple seasons) - 42 games	Jan. 5, 2002 - Feb. 27, 2006
Perfect 9-0 seasons	2006-07
	2004-05
	2003-04
	2002-03
	2001-02
	1992-93

WINNING STREAKS (MVC ROAD GAMES)

3+	(4 straight), Dec. 30, 2015 - Jan. 24, 2016
School record (one season) - 8 games	Dec. 6, 2003 - Feb. 18, 2004
School record (multiple seasons) - 9 games	March 3, 2003 - Feb. 18, 2004

WINNING STREAKS (HOME GAMES)

5+	(7 straight) Jan. 3, 2018 - Feb. 14, 2018
School record (multiple seasons) - 33 games	Jan. 11, 2004 - Jan. 24, 2006

WINNING STREAKS (TRUE ROAD GAMES)

5+	(8 straight) Nov. 21, 2015 - Jan. 24, 2016
School record (multiple seasons) - 8 games	Jan. 11, 2004 - Jan. 24, 2006

WINNING STREAKS (ROAD/NEUTRAL GAMES)

5+	(8 straight) Nov. 28, 2015 - Jan. 24, 2016
School record (multiple seasons)	(10 straight) Jan. 9, 1966 - Mar. 18, 1967

2018-19 COMPARISON STATISTICS

Game Totals are displayed in the form of SOUTHERN ILLINOIS/OPPONENT for each category

Date	Opponent	1st	2nd	Score	Mar	Total FG	FG Pct	FG (1st)	FG (2nd)	3-Pointers	3FG Pct
Nov. 5	Illinois Wesleyan	36/18	40/30	76/48	+28	31-63/22-73	.492/.301	.424/.200	.567/.424	7-25/2-23	.280/.087

Date	Opponent	Free Throws	FT Pct	Off Reb	Def Reb	Rebounds	Mar	Assist	TOver	Block	Steals	Fouls
Nov. 5	Illinois Wesleyan	7-12/2-5	.583/.400	7/18	34/29	41/47	-6	19/13	9/15	3/0	6/3	7/16

Game Totals are displayed in the form of SOUTHERN ILLINOIS/OPPONENT for each category

Date	Opponent	Paint	Off TO	2nd chance	Fast Break	Bench	Score Tied	Lead Changes
Nov. 5	Illinois Wesleyan	42/28 (+14)	18/7 (+11)	7/13 (-6)	20/2 (+18)	20/8 (+12)	0 times	0

2018-19 OVERALL STATISTICS

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT	TOT
Southern Ill.	36	40	0	76
Opponents	18	30	0	48

Team Box Score

No.	Player				Total		3-Point		F-Throw		Rebounds											
		GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	DQ	A	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
4	MCGILL, Eric	1-1	30	30.0	7-14	.500	2-5	.400	3-4	.750	1	3	4	4.0	0	0	3	1	0	1	19	19.0
40	BENSON, Barret	1-1	21	21.0	6-8	.750	2-3	.667	1-3	.333	1	4	5	5.0	1	0	0	0	1	1	15	15.0
1	DOMASK, Marcus	1-1	32	32.0	4-5	.800	2-2	1.000	2-2	1.000	1	2	3	3.0	0	0	2	2	0	0	12	12.0
5	JONES, Lance	1-0	26	26.0	5-9	.556	0-2	.000	1-3	.333	1	5	6	6.0	0	0	4	3	0	1	11	11.0
10	COOK, Aaron	1-1	23	23.0	5-11	.455	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	1	6	7	7.0	3	0	5	2	0	1	10	10.0
24	BROWN, Trent	1-0	22	22.0	2-6	.333	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	1	2	3	3.0	2	0	2	1	0	2	5	5.0
25	GOOCH, Brendon	1-0	16	16.0	1-5	.200	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	0	3	3	3.0	0	0	3	0	1	0	2	2.0
30	JEREMIC, Stevan	1-0	8	8.0	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2.0
22	FRANCOIS, Harwin	1-1	22	22.0	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team											1	6	7					0				
Total		1			31-63	.492	7-25	.280	7-12	.583	7	34	41	41.0	7	0	19	9	3	6	76	76.0
Opponents		1			22-73	.301	2-23	.087	2-5	.400	18	29	47	47.0	16	-	13	15	0	3	48	48.0

Team Statistics

	SIU	OPP
Scoring	76	48
Points per game	76	48.0
Scoring margin	+28.0	-
Field goals-att	31-63	22-73
Field goal pct	.492	.301
3 point fg-att	7-25	2-23
3-point FG pct	.280	.087
3-pt FG made per game	7.0	2.0
Free throws-att	7-12	2-5
Free throw pct	.583	.400
F-Throws made per game	7.0	2.0
Rebounds	41	47
Rebounds per game	41.0	47.0
Rebounding margin	-6.0	-
Assists	19	13
Assists per game	19.0	13.0
Turnovers	9	15
Turnovers per game	9.0	15.0
Turnover margin	+6.0	-
Assist/turnover ratio	2.1	0.9
Steals	6	3
Steals per game	6.0	3.0
Blocks	3	0
Blocks per game	3.0	0.0
Winning streak	1	-
Home win streak	1	-
Attendance	4049	0
Home games-Avg/Game	1-4049	0-0
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
11/05/19	Ill. Wesleyan	W	76-48	4049

BIGGEST LEAD IN WIN

28 vs. Illinois Wesleyan (11/5/19)

BIGGEST LEAD IN LOSS

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BIGGEST DEFICIT IN WIN

Never trailed

BIGGEST DEFICIT IN LOSS

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