



2017
Sauk Valley
Community
College
REPORT
TO THE
COMMUNITY



From the President



President Hellmich,
Jon Mandrell
and Josh West

Sauk Valley Community College is proud to provide quality academic environments for professional and personal growth, and we believe opportunities for growth should be accessible to everyone with the desire to pursue them. I want to assure everyone who holds Sauk near and dear to their hearts that we are doing everything we can (even with all the craziness in Springfield) to build on SVCC's tradition of success.

Here are just a few examples of how Sauk's programs continue to evolve to meet the needs of the communities we serve:

- **Multicraft Extended Internship Program** – a partnership between Sauk and area industry is helping to develop a highly skilled, in-demand labor force to drive the economies of the Sauk Valley.
- **Small Business Development Center** – a partnership between the College, the cities of Dixon, Rock Falls, and Sterling, Lee and Whiteside counties, and several area banks – is helping local entrepreneurs grow their small businesses.
- **The new Agriculture program** – created with input from area experts and led by newly hired faculty member, Dr. Ryan Anderson.
- **The Academy at SVCC** – a newly created dual-credit option that gives elite high school seniors access to an engaging college experience built upon academic excellence and leadership principles.
- **The Sauk Valley Community Leadership Program** – a collaboration with area chambers of commerce – is improving the Sauk Valley by identifying emerging leaders, broadening their knowledge of our communities, and motivating them to become business and community leaders.

In addition, the College continued to responsibly steward our resources by cutting fiscal year 2017 operational expenses by over 5% and working with our dedicated Foundation Board to expand scholarship opportunities for our students.

As you learn more about the last year in the pages of this *Report to the Community*, we hope you share our appreciation for the many efforts of our students, faculty, staff, and community partners who made this an amazing year. We are always looking for additional opportunities to expand and improve our partnerships. Just give us a shout, and we will respond!

Sincerely,
Dr. David Hellmich, President

Mission

Sauk Valley Community College is dedicated to teaching and scholarship while engaging the community in lifelong learning, public service, and economic development.

From the Chair

The 2017 commencement ceremony was the culmination of another terrific year at Sauk Valley Community College. My fellow board members and I proudly watched as 135 students walked in commencement. Our best wishes go out to all 471 students who earned a total of 540 degrees and certificates. Sauk is changing lives, and graduation is a powerful demonstration that the College remains focused on its primary purpose of teaching and scholarship.



Board Members hanging with Slammin' Sammy
Commencement 2017

In addition to Sauk's newest graduates, we watched as Rochelle Bollman accepted an honorary degree for her late husband, Andrew, our dear friend and colleague who tragically passed away last year. Andrew's grace and commitment to Sauk are sorely missed.

Despite the lack of funding and budget agreement in Springfield for two years, Sauk made notable strides. The College actively engaged our Sauk Valley communities to encourage partnerships, lifelong learning, public service, and economic development. I commend Dr. Hellmich, the administration, faculty, and staff for their outreach.

I want to thank our communities for their continued support of SVCC. Alumni, friends, and industry partners often express to my fellow board members their appreciation for what the College means to the Sauk Valley – a provider of affordable, quality higher education that drives economic and intellectual vitality in the region. Our Board understands that the College plays a critical role in our communities, and we will continue to direct the President to engage and support the communities in which we live and work.

Lastly, I want to thank the entire Board for providing strong leadership to Sauk. This dedicated group of volunteers cares deeply about our students, our College, and our communities.

Here is to having another great year and don't forget,
"Sauk makes it possible, you make it happen!"

Sincerely,
Scott Stoller
Chair, SVCC Board of Trustees



Andrew and Rochelle
Bollman Family
Commencement 2017

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Students Shine at Sauk

Of the thousands of students who journey through Sauk each year, each has a unique story to share about what brought him or her to Sauk. Ask our students what made Sauk special for them, and you will likely hear that it's about the instructors, experiences, and amazing opportunities for academic and personal growth.

Two student stories shone particularly bright this last year—Emily Ditzler and Rebecca Suarez. Although their individual stories are very different, Emily and Rebecca are proud Skyhawk alumni, eager to share how Sauk helped them shine.

Emily Ditzler '17

A homegrown Marco from Polo, Illinois, Emily Ditzler realized at an early age she wanted to be a teacher: “My parents thought I was going through a phase, but I knew in elementary school that I wanted to make the kind of impact my teachers had on me.”



As a student in high school, Emily began taking Sauk dual credit courses like Environmental Biology and English. She loved the challenges the courses provided, and the more she learned about all that Sauk had to offer, the more she knew that Sauk was the right fit: “What sold me was the Sauk Scholar program. My tuition was paid for and it made the most sense. It turns out I love Sauk.”

This fall, Emily will transfer to Illinois State University where she plans to pursue a degree in elementary education. During her commencement speech, Emily told her fellow students she hoped they would take what they learned from Sauk and use the knowledge and experience to inspire others to rise to the next level, a fitting goal for an aspiring educator.

You are not just a number at Sauk, and the small class sizes are fantastic.

**Emily Ditzler, A.A. • Elementary Education
2017 • Polo, IL**



Rebecca Suarez '17

When Rebecca Suarez first came to Sauk, she didn't think she would become one of the 135 students participating in the 2017 commencement ceremony, let alone speaking before them and the packed crowd of friends, family, and faculty.



"I was not a good high school student, to say the least. I refused to do homework and then I would ace the tests, leaving me barely passing my classes and driving my teachers crazy. I didn't care about my grades, and I lacked motivation. I hadn't applied myself since sixth grade, so coming to college was terrifying."

Rebecca is not the first Sauk student to have fears about going to college, but fortunately, she had a great cheerleader in her corner: "Just over three years ago, I was sitting in the West Mall parking lot, too scared to come inside and take the placement tests. I had to be literally dragged into the building." Doing the dragging was her now-husband, Austin, in a moment that sparked a new direction in her educational path focused on radiologic technology.

During her three years at Sauk, Rebecca conquered many challenges and worked her way all the way up to the podium on commencement evening. In the fall, Rebecca plans to attend the College of DuPage where she will pursue her studies in radiation therapy.

The instructors have all been amazing. They want you to succeed, and I feel like I am ready to transfer."

**Rebecca Suarez, A.A.S. • Radiologic Technology
2017 • Sterling, IL**

Growing the Seeds of Success



Dr. Ryan Anderson, Ag Instructor

Sauk made great strides this past fiscal year advancing a core element of our mission—to engage the community in economic development. The College hosted many open forums that fostered productive dialogues to address the current and future needs of the Sauk Valley. During these discussions, one program in particular rose to the top of the priority list—Agriculture.

With a growing interest in Agriculture programs among high school and college-bound students, coupled with advances in industry technologies, the addition of an Associate in Applied Science degree to Sauk's list of programs was a no-brainer.

The College created an Ag Advisory Council comprised of four high school instructors, numerous industry members, Sauk's local *Facilitating Coordination in Agricultural Education* representative, the Regional Office of Education Superintendent, and the Director of the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce. Industry members were diverse in their backgrounds, representing production, business, agronomy, and local farm owners. Armed with the list of needs, and with the continued input of the advisory council, Sauk began developing the new program.

Starting in August of 2017, led by new faculty member Dr. Ryan Anderson, Sauk students will begin taking classes in agronomy, crop science, agriculture sales, agribusiness, and farming operations. With over 17 years of experience teaching agriculture, Dr. Anderson brings an essential mix of credentials, teaching, and real-world experience to the Sauk Ag program. Dr. Anderson is a member of the American Association of Agriculture Educators and the National Association of Agriculture Educators where he received numerous innovative teaching and research awards. He is also a member of the Association of Career and Technical Education, where he received the 2013 Outstanding Career and Technical Educator award and the 2014 Iowa Outstanding Mentor award.

Sauk Ag students may earn their A.A.S. two-year degree or plan to transfer to a four-year institution. Graduates from the program will have a wide range of career opportunities to choose from within the agriculture field including farm operations, agricultural loan officer, and agriculture sales. We invite you to visit svcc.edu/ag to learn more about the Ag program.

SVCC 2016-17 Ag Advisory Council

Kurt Downs, Sauk Valley Bank;
Wendy Erbsen,
Milledgeville HS;
Rick Petitt,
Ashton Franklin Center HS;
Michael Selover, Monsanto;
Matt Lillpop, Whiteside County
Farm Bureau;
Chris Norberg, BASF;
Luke Sandrock,
Conerstone Agency;
Danelle Burrs, Lee Country
Farm Bureau;
Elisa Baker, Sterling HS;
Larry Hummel, Hummel Farms;
Scott Stoller, Ag Perspective;
Jim Lillyman, Community
Member; Kris Noble,
Sauk Valley Area Chamber of
Commerce; Reed Hutchcraft,
Sterling Federal Bank;
Dave Abele, 1st Farm Credit;
Ashleigh Fisher, Amboy HS.

Sauk Does Public Service

Sauk employees believe in our mission statement. As part of that mission, employees endeavor to engage in public service that benefits the entire Sauk Valley area. We are pleased to recognize the many Sauk volunteers who gave back to their communities in 2016-2017.

Valerie Boss: Sauk Valley Area Technologists;
Joe Bright: Whiteside County Public Transportation, Whiteside County Senior Center; **Rachel Brunner:** Prairie Preservation Society of Ogle County, Friends of the SVCC Prairie; **Jenny Bumba:** Dixon Petunia Festival Board; **Dana Chacon:** Dixon Petunia Festival Board, Dixon YMCA Board, Professional Women's Network; **Lori Cortez:** Whiteside County Public Transportation, Whiteside County Senior Center; **Linda Dhaese:** Oregon Chamber of Commerce; **Kathy Dirks:** Sterling First Church of Nazarene, Morningside of Sterling; **Eric Epps:** Harvest Time Bible Church, Twin City Farmer's Market, Libertarian Party of Illinois; **Robin Fisch:** Pitter Patter Pantry NFP, Zoning Commission of Milledgeville, University of Illinois Extension; **Sandra Geiseman:** EduSports, Inc., Beloved Church, **Kelsey Head:** Ogle County Farm Bureau Young Leaders; **David Hellmich:** Sauk Valley Leadership Program, KSB Board of Directors, Dixon Chamber of Commerce/ Main Street, Lee County Industrial Corporation; **Mary Ann Hurd:** Northern Illinois Business Education Association; **Mary Lou Kidder:** Rock River Christian Center; **Emily Kruger:** KSB Hospital, River Valley Church; **Jon Mandrell:** Twin Cities Sunrise Rotary, Sauk Valley Area Chamber, Dixon Family YMCA; **Janet Matheny:** Salvation Army; **Kimberlee McClanahan:** Lee County 4-H Public Presentations, Calvary Lighthouse Church, Ashton-Franklin Center Youth Baseball/Softball; **Dan McCollum:** Illinois Association of Law Enforcement Executives; **Tedra Mewhirter:** United Way Allocations Committee, YMCA Togetherhood Committee, Student Services Committee P-20; **Greg Noack:** River Valley Church; **Steve Nunez:**

Dixon Rotary, Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce, Home of Hope; **Sarah Partington:** United Way of Lee County, Dixon Chamber of Commerce/Mainstreet, Lee County Networking Committee; **Lisa Peck:** April House Child Advocacy Center, Whiteside County Healthier Community Partnership; **Ana Salgado:** SVACC Hispanic Business Leaders Committee; **Jennifer Schultz:** United Way-LIFE, Professional Womens' Network; **Valarie Sleger:** Sauk Valley Area Technologists; **Kathryn Snow:** Dixon Kiwanis, Employer Coalition on Health; **Kathy Sotelo:** Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church, Christ Lutheran School; **Amy West:** CGH Nursing Advisory Board, MCH Auxiliary, **Josh West:** Morrison Rotary, Morrison Chamber of Commerce, Alderman for the City of Morrison; **Emily Zimmerman:** Miss Amboy Pageant, Amboy Depot Days Committee.



Working on the Prairie



United Way Day of Caring

A Year In Review



Sauk Renovations—

Major renovations of the nursing teaching and administrative areas and updates to the instructional health care technology area are nearing completion. The renovations will provide students with state-of-the-art 12,000 square foot lecture and nursing simulation areas.

The Sauk YMCA and Follett bookstore celebrated ribbon cuttings in January. The Y debuted new fitness equipment in a spacious area overlooking the Rock River. Next door, Follett invited guests to shop for cool Sauk gear, books, and electronics in its brand new area.

Students also welcomed new modern testing facilities located close to the Student Services Center. The Business Office moved next door, completing the “one-stop shop” that conveniently places most student services within the West Mall area.





Art at Sauk—

Sauk welcomed new Art instructor, Glenn Bodish. Glenn moved from Montana and immediately set to work retooling the Art program and attracting talented, provocative artists to the Sauk Art Gallery. Look for new exhibits from visiting, award-winning artists, faculty, staff, and Sauk students in the coming year.



Youth Engagement—

The College continued to engage Sauk Valley youth through informative and fun events like STEM Day and National Manufacturing Day, hosting a total of over 350 middle and high school students.



Child Fair—

Sauk co-hosted the 33rd Annual Child Fair with KSB Hospital, CGH Medical Center, and the Sauk YMCA. The theme of the free family-centered event was “Under the Sea,” and over a thousand fair goers attended from across the Sauk Valley area.

In addition to the notable events spotlighted here, Sauk saw the Multicraft Extended Internship program double in size; Adult Education noted an increase in GED graduates; and Sauk offered a first-time trip to New Mexico where participants enjoyed stunning desert views, great food, and illuminating educational discussions.



Partnerships



Sauk Valley Community Leadership Program inaugural graduating class 2017

Sauk continues to expand relationships with local organizations, businesses, and educational institutions.

Sauk Valley Community Leadership Program (SVCLP)—

The SVCLP is made possible through a collaboration between SVCC and the Dixon, Rock Falls, and Sauk Valley Area chambers of commerce. Participants sharpen their vision, build valuable community relationships, and gain confidence to affect change in their communities.

Small Business Development Center at Sauk Valley Community College (SBDC)—

The SBDC at Sauk became an official member of the SBDC network after earning a grant in 2016. The grant, along with matching funds provided by many local organizations and banks, allowed the SBDC to expand and increase its service area.

Truck Driving Training—

The College has partnered with 160 Driving Academy to provide high-quality training to students interested in earning a Type-A (CDL) driving permit.

NIU GAP Agreement—

SVCC and NIU established a Guaranteed Admissions Agreement for SVCC transfer students and Dual Credit Academy high school students. Transfer students are now guaranteed admission to NIU upon satisfactory completion of a minimum of 24 credit hours while maintaining a 2.0 grade point average.

Partnership Advocating for Student Success (PASS)—

PASS connects Sauk with local high schools, regional offices of education, and community businesses to ensure that high school students are college and career-ready. Sauk hosted the annual College Readiness Summit with representatives from Northern Illinois University in attendance for the first time.



Skyhawk View—

The student newspaper partners with the Sauk Valley Sun to publish the Skyhawk View. Visit svcc.edu/skyhawkview to read the latest editions hot off the presses or look for the insert in the monthly Sun publication.

National Manufacturing Days—

More than 700 students from area high schools participated in National Manufacturing Days (NMD). Students learned the importance of manufacturing to the U.S. economy and the rewarding, highly skilled jobs available in the Sauk Valley area. NMD partners included SVCC, WACC, IMEC, BEST, MIT, and local manufacturers. Local manufacturing companies included Best Foods, BorgWarner, Raynor Garage Door Co., Rayovac/Spectrum Brands, Wahl Clipper, Astec Mobile Screens, MENK, Frantz Mfg., WalMart DC, Timken Drives, and IFH.



Sauk YMCA & Follett Bookstore ribbon cutting jointly hosted by SVCC and the Rock Falls, Dixon, and Sauk Valley Area Chambers of Commerce



Sauk Valley College Foundation

■ Sauk Alumni Association ■



Founders Wall dedication, March, 2017 with Dr. Dave Hellmich, Pete Dillon, Scott Stoller, and Bob Sondgeroth

Honoring Sauk's Founders—

In recognition of the contributions of the seven original Board of Trustees members integral to the founding of SVCC, Dr. Hellmich and the Board of Trustees commissioned a commemorative design honoring Peter W. Dillon of Sterling, Catherine Perkins of Prophetstown, Kenneth L. Reuter of Amboy, Clayton R. Schuneman of Sterling, Gerald S. Stuff of Polo, Forrest L. Tabor of Rock Falls, and Warren Walder of Dixon.

Located in the Dillon Mall, the “Founders Wall” was dedicated on March 17, 2017. Pete Dillon was on hand to help unveil the impressive commemorative piece and pay tribute to the efforts of the dedicated few who created an extraordinary legacy for generations of Sauk Valley residents.

New Foundation Leadership—

In the fall of 2016, Dr. Lori Cortez moved from her position as SVCC Director of TRIO into the newly created position of Dean of Foundation, Grants, and Government Relations. As a student, Lori's first experiences with higher education were in a community college environment, a background she is very proud of. “From the first day I set foot on that [community college] campus, I fell in love with it,” Cortez said. Having “lived the community college story,” Foundation Board President Bob Sondgeroth shared his confidence in Lori's commitment to Sauk: “Lori loves the community college concept. If you're going to have somebody fundraise for your organization, they absolutely have to believe in the organization.”



Building Futures—

Sauk lost a great advocate in Juanita Prescott this year. Juanita, a former Sauk student, was committed to Sauk and demonstrated her support by serving as a trustee and chair of the Board of Trustees from 1976-1983, and as a member and president of the Foundation Board of Directors from 1993-2001.

To honor her memory, the family of Juanita Prescott established two scholarships through the Foundation in 2016—the Juanita Prescott Scholarship and the Juanita Prescott Outreach Scholarship. These gifts, totaling \$100,000, will impact the lives of SVCC students for many years to come.



Celebrating Outstanding Alumni—

The SVCC Alumni Association selected Lieutenant Kirk Hooks as the 2017 Outstanding Alumni recipient. Kirk attended SVCC in 1983 while still in high school. He graduated with an Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice in 1985 and transferred to Western Illinois University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Law Enforcement Administration. Throughout his career, Kirk received numerous awards and letters of commendation for exemplary professionalism and commitment.

Foundation by the Numbers—

In 2016-17, the Foundation awarded \$229,000 in scholarships and over \$6,000 to support student clubs and projects.

To donate to the Foundation and to view a listing of the Sauk Valley College Foundation Board of Directors, please visit svcc.edu/foundation.



2017 Outstanding Alumni,
Lieutenant Kirk Hooks '85

Skyhawks Athletics



After 31 years at the helm, Russ Damhoff stepped down as Skyhawk athletics director and men's basketball coach. "I just felt like it was time," he said. "Coaching takes energy, a lot of energy, energy to prepare, energy to discipline. I feel like after 31 years I've used almost everything I have."

During Damhoff's time as athletic director, Sauk's athletics programs grew, adding baseball and cross country, as well as bringing back softball. SVCC won the conference trophy as the top overall athletics program the last two years. Just this past year, he saw the volleyball team make its second straight trip to nationals, watched the women's basketball team win a regional title, and sent six cross country runners to nationals.



Damhoff ends his coaching career with a record of 592-392. Looking back, he wished there were a few more trophies in the trophy case, but under Damhoff, Sauk was nearly always in the hunt. SVCC took second in conference 16 times.

Coach Damhoff may jump back into coaching at some point, and he also wants to check in from time to time at Sauk where he spent over three decades building a respected Skyhawks program and many friendships. "My run at Sauk has been great; love Sauk, what it does for our district," he said. "Hopefully I represented it well."

(Excerpts taken from Eric Ingles, *Russ rides into sunset*, Sauk Valley Media, 3-22-17)

Tennis—

Women—Allie Shank won Region IV Tournament Sportsmanship Player Award.

Men—Peter DelaFuente and Gage Bright were **Region IV Number III Doubles Champions.**



Cross Country—

Women—The women qualified three runners for the NJCAA Nationals: Makaley Velazquez, Bailie Smith, and Mercedes Sanchez qualified for the second straight year after finishing second in the Region IV Championships.

Men—The men qualified Seth Williams and Peter DelaFuente for the NJCAA Nationals.

Volleyball—

The Skyhawks were **undefeated Arrowhead Conference Champions** with four players named to the All-Conference Team: Samantha Soddy, Chelsi Blair, Tressa Schuler, and Bailey O'Brien. Bailey O'Brien was named Conference MVP.

Head Coach Jay Howell was named Arrowhead Conference Coach of the Year. In Region IV Tournament play, the Skyhawks qualified for the NJCAA National Tournament with Tressa Schuler, Bailey O'Brien, and Chelsi Blair all selected for the Region IV Division II All-Region Teams. The Skyhawks finished sixth in the NJCAA National Tournament, and both Bailey O'Brien and Tressa Schuler were named NJCAA Division II First Team All-Americans for the season.

Basketball—

Women—The Skyhawks **won the Region IV Division I Basketball Championship** with Carol Hammelman and Kennedy Kuykendall named to the All-Tournament Team, Dabriona Williams named Region IV Tournament MVP, and **Head Coach Jedidiah Johnson named Region IV Coach of the Year.** The Skyhawks also had two players, Dabriona Williams and Kennedy Kuykendall, named to the Arrowhead All-Conference Team.

Men—The Skyhawks had two players, Karson Arrenholz and Sean Chislom, named to the Arrowhead All-Conference Team and three players named to the Region IV Division I All Region Team: Karson Arrenholz, Sean Chislom, and Malcolm Mabry. Karson Arrenholz was also named to the Region IV Division I All-Tournament Team.

Sauk Accomplishments

Faculty & Staff—

Valerie Boss: Valerie earned the Microsoft Certified Educator through the Microsoft Corporation.

Rachel Brunner: Rachel presented “Co-Teacher, Contra-Disciple” at the Midwest Modern Language Association and read “The trouble taking place in the lowlands: an eco-critical reading of Bessie Smith’s “Back-Water Blues” at the Northeast Modern Language Association. She also had her poem “Ghost” published by Literature Today.

David Buchen: Dave participated in several conferences and seminars this past year. He presented an entrepreneurship program to veterans, minority community members, and women at the State of Illinois SBDC Conference. He also participated in a panel discussion on a sustainable SBDC at the State of Illinois SBDC Conference.

Richard Eichman: Richard worked through the Federal Aviation Administration and Federal Communications Commission to attain his Part 107 remote pilot license and the General Class Amateur Radio Operator License.

Scott Gillihan: Scott became a Certified Welding Educator through the American Welding Society and presented on Sauk’s welding program for Clinton High School in Clinton, Iowa. Scott also created a customized welding program for Sterling Steel for its Multicraft millwright and electricians’ apprenticeship program totaling 224 hours of welding training.

Tom Irish: Tom read his third place short title “Axe” at the Midwest Writing Center.

Mark Jordan: At the Climate Reality Project, Mark conducted leadership corps training.

Troy Mairs: Troy, a U.S. Army Specialist with the 106th Aviation Battalion, was named Illinois’ Soldier of the Year. Troy advanced to the State level after competing against 10,000 soldiers in the Illinois Army National Guard through platoon, company, and battalion-level competitions.

Tedra Mewhirter and Joe Bright: At the ISAC: College Changes Everything Conference, they presented "High Impact Practices for Improving Retention & Success: Assessment & Focus Groups, Conference Style Programming, and Motivational Interviewing."

Valarie Sleger: Valarie earned the following certificates from Microsoft Corporation: Microsoft Office Specialist-Expert Excel; Microsoft Office Specialist-Word; and Microsoft Office Specialist-Access.

Jennifer Schultz: Earned a credential for Satisfactory Academic Progress and Verification from NASFAA.

College—

Sauk earned the status of Military Friendly School by G.I. Jobs for the eighth straight year.

ABC AmeriCorps at SVCC was one of 375 national and local nonprofits awarded a three-year competitive grant by the Corporation for National and Community Service: \$195,123 with an education award investment of \$83,471 annually for 45 member positions.

The SVCC Licensed Practical Nursing program was ranked as a Top-10 nursing program in the State of Illinois by Practical Nursing.Org.



AmeriCorps School Supply Drive

Sauk Events

From Tony Award-winning plays, to hypnotists, to singers breaking onto the national stage, Sauk has a little something for everyone. Check out our calendar of events on the Sauk home page, svcc.edu.



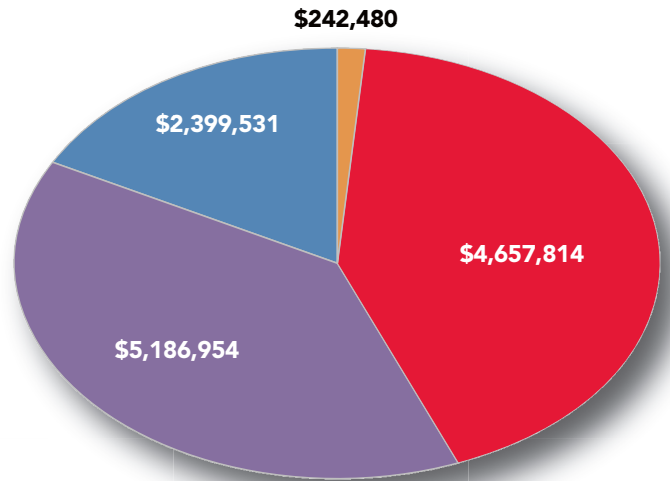
Fine Arts Performance Hour

Sauk Finances

Responsible long-term fiscal stewardship, targeted budget reductions, ongoing partnership creation, and thoughtful budgeting have allowed the College to weather the current Illinois budget impasse.

Revenues:

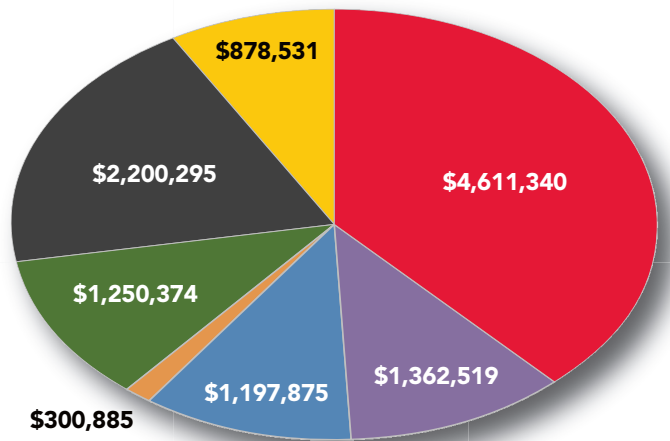
Source: FY 2017
Financial Records



- Tuition & Fees
- Local Property Tax
- State Funding
- Other Sources

Operating Expenses:

Source: FY 2017
Financial Records



- Instruction
- Operations & Maintenance
- Academic Support
- Institutional Support
- Student Services
- Scholarships, Grants & Waivers
- Public Services



How to Enroll

NEW STUDENTS

Contact Admissions & Records at 815.835.6273 for Enrollment Assistance

Complete a Student Information Form

Submit a *Student Information Form* to Admissions & Records. Forms are available at the College, and on the College website svcc.edu/soar.

Learn About SVCC Program/ Class Information

SVCC offers many types of programs to assist students in reaching their goals. This includes career and transfer programs, and individual class enrollment.

Satisfy Class Placement Requirements

Placement testing in English/language arts and mathematics is required of all students wishing to register for any English/language arts class, mathematics class, or any other college class requiring a specific ENG/ELA/MAT co-requisite or pre-requisite. College staff will recommend needed placement tests and assist with arranging a testing time.

Placement Options:

- ACT/SAT scores
- SVCC placement test results
- Review of credit earned at the College level

Submit Other Academic Records

Students should submit their official high school transcripts, GED scores, and college/university transcripts from institutions previously attended. Students submitting college transcripts should also file a *Transcript Evaluation Request Form* in Admissions & Records. Transcripts must be delivered in a sealed envelope.

Learn About Tuition Costs & Payment Options

SVCC tuition is charged per credit hour based on residence. Fees are in addition to tuition for classes that have additional equipment or supply needs.

Students are encouraged to apply for financial assistance, scholarships, and/or veterans benefits as early as possible. Contact Financial Assistance at 815.835.6339 for more information.

Meet With an Academic Advisor

Students will need to meet with an academic advisor to discuss their career plans, placement test results, and course/program requirements. Call Academic Advising at 815.835.6354 for more information.

Register for Classes

Students register for classes with Admissions & Records staff. Summer/Fall registration begins in April; Spring registration begins in November.

Learn About SOAR, Sauk E-mail & Other On-line Tools

Go to svcc.edu/student-login for assistance with accessing student accounts at SVCC.

Pay Tuition & Fees

Students may pay by check, credit card, or apply for the deferred payment plan online at svcc.edu/soar. Students using financial aid should contact Financial Assistance at 815.835.6339 before making payment. Students may also pay by cash, check, or credit card in the Business Office. For additional information, call 815.835.6267.

Buy Books & Supplies

Visit the SVCC Bookstore to buy textbooks, supplies, and other important items.



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