FALL 2017 Instrumental Large Ensemble Audition Information
(music majors, music minors, non-majors, and community members)

Southern Illinois Symphony and Civic Orchestras (SISO, SICO)
SIU Wind Ensemble

Instrumental Large Ensemble Auditions will be held Tuesday, August 22 and Wednesday, August 23, 2017. ALL undergraduate and graduate instrumental music majors (woodwind, brass, percussion, or string principal applied area) [studio jazz performance majors see below] MUST take the SISO/Wind Ensemble audition. Music majors enrolled in MUS 011 Marching Salukis are not exempt from this audition.

Studio jazz performance majors and music minors (woodwind, brass, percussion, or string principal applied area) needing to fulfill their [non-jazz related] ensemble requirement MUST take the SISO/Wind Ensemble audition. Students are encouraged to fulfill this requirement as early as possible in their degree program. This requirement will not be waived.

Non-music majors and community members are encouraged to take the SISO/Wind Ensemble audition. They will be placed in SISO, SICO, and/or Wind Ensemble based on audition results.

All auditions will be screened, except Percussion auditions.

Tuesday, August 22, 2016
6:00–8:00 p.m. Symphony and Civic Orchestra (SISO and SICO) Strings

Wednesday, August 23, 2016
3:00–4:30 p.m. Percussion [ALL ensembles]
5:00–7:00 p.m. Woodwinds
7:00–9:00 p.m. Brass
(Including non-music majors and community winds auditioning for Civic Orchestra (SICO) only)

Audition Requirements:
SISO/Wind Ensemble
Required excerpts (obtain a copy from the bulletin boards across from Altgeld Hall
Room 112 or contact the School of Music Office at (618) 53–MUSIC)
Short solo piece of choice of up to 2 minutes (no repeats) [except percussion]
Sight reading

SICO
Short solo piece of choice of up to 3 minutes (no repeats) [except percussion]
Sight reading

It is STRONGLY suggested that all music students clear their schedules during ensemble rehearsal times (Marching Salukis: M 7-9:30pm, TR 4-5:30pm, Home games Sat am; SISO: T 7-9:45pm and R 7:30-9pm; SICO: R 7:30-9pm; and Wind Ensemble: MW 3-4:30pm, F 3-3:50pm) until notification of placement. Students are NOT guaranteed their first preference for an ensemble due to schedule conflicts. Prof. Benyas, Dr. Brozak, Dr. Morehouse, and the appropriate applied faculty will determine ensemble placement. School of Music scholarship recipients and undergraduate/graduate assistants may be asked to play in more than one ensemble per semester depending on ensemble needs.