

Kudos and Celebrations

Conferences/Presentations/Events

Congrats and applause to all those who organized and participated in BrandU, especially **Dr. Craig Engstrom** and the **C3 team**. It was a great day full of sessions and speakers, attended by folks from all around the country

A round of applause to **Caleb McKinley-Portee** who served as the host of the Oct. 20th Saluki Conversations- Know Your Rights: Students & Public Safety which featured special guests Chief Benjamin Newman, SIUC Director of Public Safety, and the Carbondale Interim Chief of Police Stan Reno.

Congratulations to **Janine Armstrong** who presented her paper "Stories from My Mind, Stories from My Body" at the Organization for the Study of Communication, Language, and Gender annual conference.

Kudos to **Dianah McGreehan** who served as the co-chair of the planning committee for SIUC's inaugural Diversity Week. For videos of sessions from throughout the week, you can visit diversity.siu.edu

Great job **Dr. Nilanjana Bardhan**, **Caleb McKinley-Portee**, and **Dianah McGreehan** for their involvement in the Chancellor's diversity task force. Dr. Bardhan also helped moderate discussion sessions including the SIU System-wide Conversation on Understanding: Strategies and Actions to Dismantle Systemic Racism.

Awards

Well done to **Marco Ramirez** for his scholarship award from the 2020 PRSA ICON conference

Publications

Three cheers for **Dr. Randy Auxier** for another interesting publication, "Philosophy and the Personae" in the edited collection, *Kiss and Philosophy*.

Professional Development

Congratulations to **Dr. Craig Engstrom** for his validation on the Quality Assurance for Online Leaders in Continuing and Professional Education by the University of Illinois- Springfield, which includes certification in quality assurance strategies and issues in online programs.

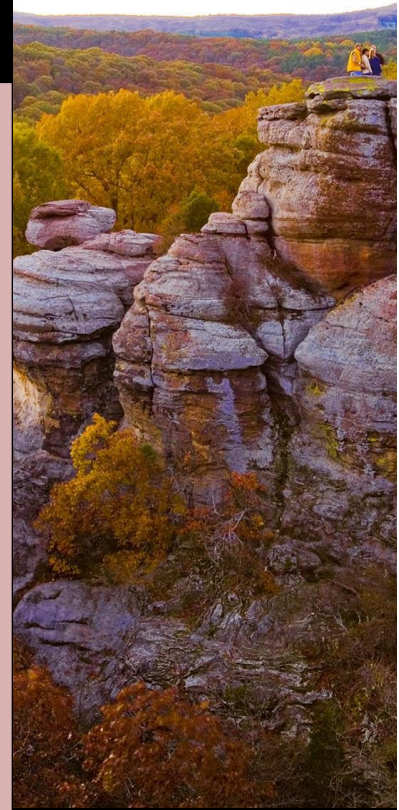
Shout out to **Dr. Todd Graham** who completed his cycle of interviews and articles surrounding the presidential and vice-presidential debates, and has been seen and read all around the world.

Other Accomplishments

Thank you to the PRSSA team, headed by **Haley Spiewak**, for putting together a fantastic grad recruitment video. Thanks, also, to those who participated in making the video. Check it out here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BMSxo2Pnu24>

Let's hear it for **Dr. Craig Engstrom**, who has been nominated by CoLA to serve on the State Advisory Committee for programs in Arts & Communication.

Hooray for **Marco Ramirez** for being reached out to by the 2020 Hispanic Scholarship Fund Media and Entertainment Summit to be a mentor. He will also be presenting at the 2020 National Communication Association Religious Communication Day.



Important Dates

Nov. 14: CMST virtual trivia night

Nov. 16-21: NCA virtual conference

Nov. 17: Native American Heritage Day

Nov. 21-29: Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 7-22: Finals Week

Dec. 9: Poetry is not a Luxury: A Kleinau Theatre Show by Charlie Hope Dorsey

TBD: If It Ain't Pretty: A Kleinau Theatre show by A.B.

