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Named one of America's "Top Places to Live," Springfield is the capital of Illinois and hometown of Abraham Lincoln. With family-oriented neighborhoods, a beautiful 4,260-acre lake, excellent schools, three universities, over 2,500 acres of parkland and 322 acres of nature preserve, an abundance of cultural and recreational activities, Springfield offers something for everyone.

Conveniently located on Interstates 55 and 72, Springfield is just a 1.5-hour drive from St. Louis and a 3-hour drive from Chicago and Indianapolis.

*With a population of 117,000, Springfield enjoys a cost of living 15-20% lower than the national average.*

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# DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE

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Founded in 1970, the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine has received national and international recognition for innovation in medical education and offers a welcoming environment for physicians who are dedicated clinical-educators.

Our mission is to provide high-quality, compassionate emergency care by inspiring and training future emergency physicians and healthcare partners

### Chris McDowell, MD

Chair of the Dept. of Emergency Medicine

Our Mission is to develop great emergency physicians.

#### We do this by

- Training compassionate emergency physicians
- Developing skilled educators
- Preparing the Leaders of Tomorrow

#### What's the impact of our graduates?

- About 30% stay in central Illinois; the rest are practicing in diverse urban, community and rural environments across the country
- Many of our graduates hold leadership positions as medical directors, residency program directors, assistant program directors and clerkship directors

#### Our environment

- Our unique community-based medical school partnership with two large level I trauma centers provides a robust patient population to train our medical students and residents
- The Memorial Center for Learning & Innovation (MCLI) combines the latest technology in simulation, surgical skills, and didactic learning to help our residents train smarter

#### Faculty Recruiting

- As we look to the future, we know that our department will continue to have a great impact on emergency medicine across our region and beyond.
- We are actively recruiting for additional faculty expertise in Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Emergency Medical Services, and Ultrasound.
- It's a great time to become part of the SIU's Department of Emergency Medicine team.



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#### OUR DIVISIONS

Education | Emergency Medical Services  
Pediatric Emergency Medicine | Ultrasound

Our residents train at three main sites throughout their residency experience:



#### Memorial Medical Center

Level 1 Trauma Center and Regional Burn Center with 70,000 annual emergency department visits



#### HSHS St. John's Hospital

Level 1 Trauma Center with 56,000 annual emergency department visits and home to St. John's Children's Hospital



#### Taylorville Memorial Hospital

A critical access rural emergency department with 12,000 annual visits

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The Memorial Center for Learning and Innovation is home to the region's only surgical skills laboratory

Memorial Medical Center, a 450-bed community hospital is the primary teaching sites for our learners. In May 2015, Memorial Medical Center opened the Memorial Center for Learning and Innovation, expanding SIU's vision to be a leader for excellence in medical education through skills training and simulation laboratories.



## TRAINING THE NEXT GENERATION

Thank you for taking a moment to look at what SIU Emergency Medicine has to offer. Our mission is to develop great emergency physicians. We accomplish this mission through a robust clinical experience and educational innovation.

With a combined volume of over 130,000 emergency department visits in the last year our residents are exposed to a large breadth of the critically ill and injured. Patient encounters are focused towards high acuity presentations.

#### As a group we continually strive to advance the way we teach Emergency Medicine. Our residents:

- Use the Foundations of Emergency Medicine in our didactic curriculum.
- Learn weekly in our small group curriculum consisting of simulation, procedure labs and small group lecture sessions.
- Are not only active learners but also serve as educators during our year directed curriculum, and teach clinically while supervising medical students.

We recognize that today the role of the emergency physician extends far beyond the bedside in the emergency department. Our goal is to prepare residents for all aspects of the future of Emergency Medicine and help them achieve any personal career goals they may have. We have recurring activities alongside local Fire and EMS agencies to expose ourselves to the experiences that our patients and first responders have before they arrive in the emergency department. Faculty and residents are actively involved in several patient safety and quality improvement projects in conjunction with our hospital partners. These projects have provided an enjoyable way for residents to become more comfortable with the workings of hospital administration and research.

SIU's Department of Emergency Medicine is continually looking to the future to advance emergency care in Central and Southern Illinois. Our residents and training program are at the heart of this goal. As we look toward ten years of training residents, our program has produced many successful clinicians and leaders in Emergency Medicine. It really is amazing to think about the number of people our residents and graduates have cared for, and it was all possible because they chose to be a part of SIU's Department of Emergency Medicine. We are very excited for the upcoming recruitment season and hope you will consider SIU as the program to help you become a great emergency physician.