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SLIDE 1
Southern Illinois University Achieve Program. Supporting Neurodiverse Learners.

SLIDE 2
The Achieve Program is a supplemental comprehensive academic support program at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. For over 40 years, Achieve has helped students with learning disabilities, attention deficits, processing disorders, and neurodiverse learning styles to attain academic success and make degree progress.

We help with:

- Case Management, Time Management, Academic Guidance, Monitoring Progress
- Tutorial Support, Test Proctoring Services, Notetaking Services, Audiobooks Services
- Structure, Prioritization, Curriculum Planning, Learning Strategies, Task Organization, Resource Management, Spatial Organization, Supportive Technologies
- Faculty Communication, Advocacy, Self-Regulation, Accountability
- Coordination of Care, Mental Health/Medical Referrals

SLIDE 3
Achieve is a center-based inclusive program. We have a facility on campus, which students use to meet staff, access support, and work. We focus on providing human-centered services that most universities do not provide in a systematic way for neurodiverse students. We have fully integrated delivery of our supports through online platforms to meet students’ needs remotely during the COVID-19 outbreak.

We provide these supports through the caring effort of trained specialists who work with our students. Our staff is comprised of our Director, four developmental skills specialists (who work primarily as case managers and service administrators), an administrative aide, an office support specialist, several graduate assistants, and over 60 student employees. The staff all work directly with students to ensure services are delivered to each student.

We employ a two-prong approach:

- To intensively address current service needs
- To reinforce models for student independence and self-advocacy.
Case management is the organizing hub for communication, intervention, service delivery, and evaluation of outcomes for students.

- Students meet case managers one or more times per week.
- Case managers coordinate Achieve services for students, and direct them to appropriate campus resources.
- Case managers each lead teams of support specialists who provide tutorial support, create organizational plans, and verify whether students are meeting their goals.
- Case managers help students navigate the transition to college life. They guide students through University processes like registering for classes, accessing online resources, meeting deadlines, and communicating effectively with professors.
- Case managers help students develop strategies for time and resource management, organization, and study skills.
- Case managers monitor student progress and communicate with faculty. With consent, case managers summarize this progress in weekly reports to all stakeholders.

COVID-19 Adaptations: Because of COVID-19, we have adapted our services to incorporate remote video support for tutoring, case management, and test proctoring. We utilize all tools for communication to continue to monitor and advise students, including Zoom, Teams chat, WhatsApp messaging, email, and other platforms. Our staff is trained and ready to help students transition to the online environment.

Our program is fee-based. The additional fee allows us to provide intensive, individual support for our students.

You must apply to the Achieve Program separately, but in conjunction with, your application to SIU.

- Apply to SIU: www.admissions.siu.edu
- Apply to Achieve: www.achieve.siu.edu

Questions? Contact us at the Achieve Program:

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We hope to see you again soon.