

Diversity at the University of Southern Indiana

At the University of Southern Indiana much of our strength comes from the diversity of our members. The connectivity of our students, faculty, administrators, staff and alumni makes us who we are. One of our newly developed strategic goals is to increase the diversity of our students, staff, and faculty. Therefore, we find it necessary and essential to continue working to enhance our environment, so that we not only accept human differences but we also celebrate and embrace them. Our campus will continue this effort by providing rich and unique outreach and engagement opportunities to members of the USI family in order to nurture and preserve this wonderful community. The University's Vision of Diversity will not only guide us through our strategic planning process, but into the future development of this premier institution.

I invite you to explore the diverse initiatives highlighted within this Web site and consider how you can contribute with our collective efforts in enhancing and retaining a campus community that works to mirror our domestic and international societies. You will also find information about events and activities sponsored by USI, as well as local resources that support our members both on and off campus.

I maintain that being an inclusive community member is an intellectual and moral responsibility. I believe everyone at USI can contribute to these efforts, and as Provost, I'm personally committed to holding myself and the members of our campus community accountable for advancing our diversity goals. Together, we will work to ensure that the University remains a great place to work, and receive a quality education that prepares our students for a global society. We must remember that diversity not only enhances our University, it also communicates who we are.

Ronald S. Rochon, Ph.D.

Provost

Diversity as Outlined by the USI Strategic Plan

Goal:

Increase the diversity of faculty, staff, and student body.

Key Strategies:

- Develop activities and experiences that promote diversity as a value.
- Enhance support networks for faculty, staff, and students of diverse backgrounds, including first-generation status.
- Provide international programming for faculty and students.

To view the USI Strategic Plan in its entirety, click here (/strategicplan).