



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION
STUDIES

KUDOS AND CELEBRATIONS

Nailing It!

Nilanjana Bardhan served as paper reviewer and chair/discussant for a paper session at the 2025 Global Fusion Conference. This year, the conference was held in October on the SIUC campus and the theme was "The Critical Path In Disorienting Times: Explorations, Practices, and Solidarities."

Dr. Dustin Greenwalt organized the preconference Plastics/Plasticities for the National Communications Association for the Rhetoric of Science, Technology, and Medicine.

Dr. Christina L Ivey guest lectured at SIU-E for a class focused on Sexual Health. Her lecture over the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence and their contribution to sex positive AIDS education was well received.

Sean Maulding passed his doctoral prospectus defense and is one step closer to graduating.

JunoBlue successfully completed and defended their M.A. Thesis, "Echo's Repertoire: Performing Science Fiction and Trans Care Models."

On November 15th, Carli Álvarez earned their Blue Belt in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu. Her academic work focuses on how women and Queer people communicate within Jiu-Jitsu spaces, which is inspired by her own lived experiences as a transgender woman who participates in the sport.



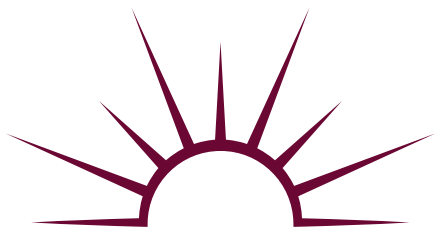
Photo Caption: Álvarez is awarded her Blue Belt in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu by Dr. Bernard Navarro (black uniform) and his instructor, Master Cleber Luciano (blue uniform).

In the Spotlight



Photo Caption: “*At a Crossroads*” cast members stand on stage left to right: Jessie Paxton, Junara Dakota Quinn-Miller, Grace Dwyer, M Kamara, Sulav Shakya, and Bipin Banjara.

Dr. Shelby Swafford successfully compiled and directed “*At a Crossroads*” for the Kleinau Theatre with Jonny Gray as Technical Director. This cast-devised show explored personal and cultural tensions that intersect within Carbondale.



On the Horizon

December graduates recognition ceremony and holiday potluck

Wednesday, Dec. 10 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Kleinau Theater. The potluck will be open-house style. More information is available in the main office.

Performance Course Spotlight

Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. in the Kleinau Theatre

Undergraduate and graduate students in performance courses will present their best work, as selected by instructors.

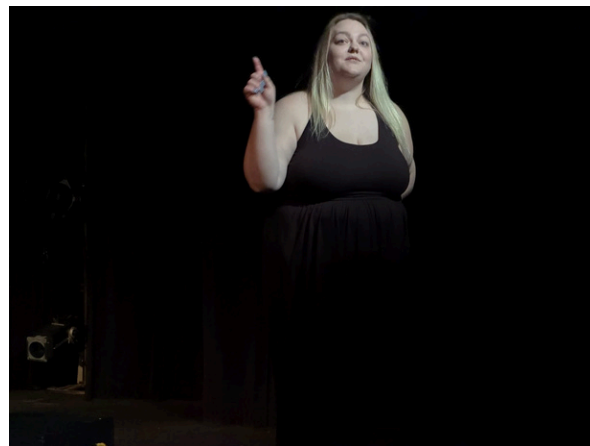


Photo Caption: “*At a Crossroads*” cast member Madison Marshall on opening night.