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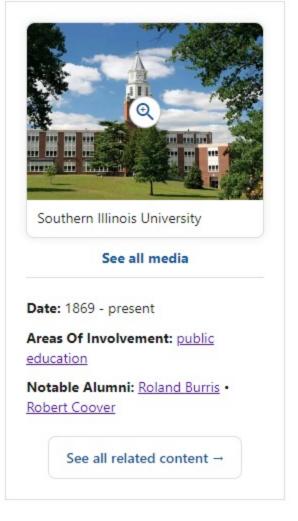
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Southern Illinois University, public coeducational institution of <u>higher education</u> in Carbondale and Edwardsville, <u>Illinois</u>, U.S. It was chartered in 1869 as Southern Illinois Normal University and opened that same year. It grew to become one of the largest teachers colleges in the state. In 1943 the <u>university</u> began offering graduate-level course work, and in 1947 it was renamed Southern Illinois University. The first doctorate was awarded in 1959. In 1957 the university founded two academic centres, in Alton and East St. Louis. The success of these centres spurred the creation of the Edwardsville campus, located on bluffs along the Mississippi River, which opened in 1965. Total enrollment on the two campuses is about 35,000.



The Carbondale and Edwardsville campuses offer a wide range of bachelor's, master's, doctoral, and professional degree programs. The main institution at Carbondale comprises eight colleges and three schools, including a law school. It also operates a medical school, which has main campuses in Springfield and Carbondale. The Edwardsville branch is made up of one <u>college</u> and six schools, including the School of Dental Medicine in Alton. Research facilities at Carbondale include the Center for Archaeological Investigations, the Fisheries and Illinois Aquaculture Center, the Coal Research Center, the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, and the Materials Technology Center. The Morris Library contains more than 2.5 million volumes, including a notable collection on philosopher John Dewey. The Environmental Resources Training Center was founded at Edwardsville in 1977. Among noteworthy faculty members at Southern Illinois University were architect R. Buckminster Fuller at Carbondale and Edwardsville and dancer Katherine Dunham at Edwardsville.

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Howard University, historically Black university founded in 1867 in Washington, D.C., and named for General Oliver Otis Howard, head of the post-Civil War Freedmen's Bureau, who influenced Congress

to appropriate funds for the school. The university is financially supported in large part by the U.S. government but is privately controlled.

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