

Mission: Active Citizenship

Preparing students to become active in their communities is one of the goals of an SU education. Whether it be through one of the myriad service organizations or through interaction with national leaders who have devoted their careers to public good, SU students are encouraged to become principled and proactive members of society.

Legislative Interns

During the 2003 session of the Maryland General Assembly, five SU students participated in the competitive Legislative Intern Program. Katie Elmore, Haley Hurson, Brad Miller, Tyler Patton and Alice Wilkerson put their political science education into action by providing research and staff assistance to legislators. While earning academic credit, the interns assumed responsibilities that included drafting correspondence; preparing, recording and reporting testimony; contacting witnesses; attending committees; tracking bills; working on mailings; handling constituent problems; and writing newsletters. The experience provided a strong start for students already committed to public service.

Freshman in the House

A 1998 graduate of SU, Eric Bromwell began his freshman term in 2003 as the second youngest member of Maryland's House of Delegates. The son of former Sen. Thomas L. Bromwell, Eric's education in politics was at his father's knee. Already Bromwell has been commended for his earnestness, eagerness and enthusiasm for a demanding job. The new delegate has learned about long days serving in committee, about constituent e-mails and letters that need to be responded to, and about being cornered by lobbyists. Just five years out of SU and Bromwell is quickly becoming a major player in Maryland politics.



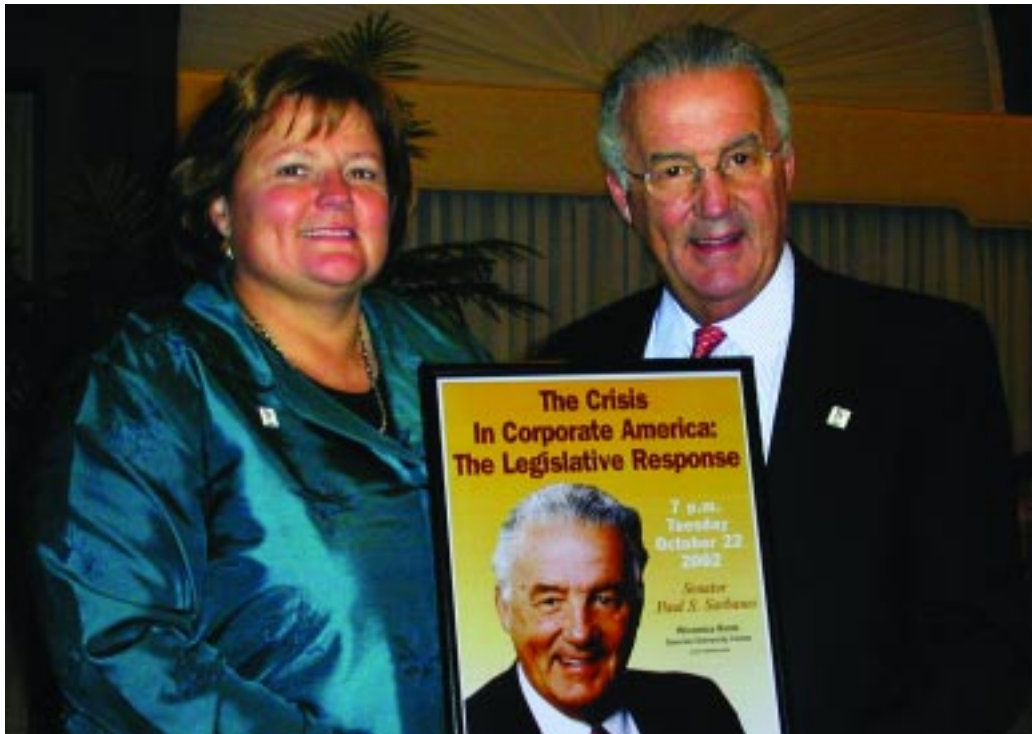
▲ A View Of Foreign Relations

Barely a week before the U.S. declared war in Iraq, Senate Foreign Relations Chairman Richard Lugar visited campus to discuss the volatile situation in the Middle East and terrorism. The second speaker in the Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE) Sarbanes Lecture

Series, Senator Lugar offered students an insider's view of foreign relations through his 27 years in the Senate—service which has been honored with Nobel Peace Prize nominations for the last three years.

Changing Views Of Politics

Amid growing evidence of student dissatisfaction with politics and low voter turnout, the Paul S. Sarbanes Lecture Series was created in fall 2002 to bring to campus some of the most prominent and influential public figures in the country. This new program, a cooperative endeavor between U.S. Senator Sarbanes and the University's Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE), seeks to counter the often stereotyped negative images young people have about politics and politicians. The series was kicked off by a special lecture by Senator Sarbanes himself, a Salisbury native and long-time SU supporter.



Academic Honoraries

SU is home to several academic honoraries that cultivate student interest in various disciplines and support community service as a tenant of good citizenship.

- Alpha Sigma Lambda (adult learners)
- Beta Beta Beta (biology)
- Beta Gamma Sigma (business)
- Gamma Theta Upsilon (geography)
- Kappa Delta Pi (education)
- Lambda Beta (respiratory care)
- Lambda Iota Tau (English)
- Lambda Pi Eta (communications)
- Omicron Delta Kappa (leadership)
- Phi Alpha (social work)
- Phi Alpha Theta (history)
- Phi Epsilon Kappa (physical education)
- Phi Eta Sigma (freshmen)
- Phi Kappa Phi (cross-discipline)
- Phi Sigma Tau (philosophy)
- Pi Gamma Mu (social sciences)
- Pi Sigma Alpha (political science)
- Psi Chi (psychology)
- Sigma Theta Tau (nursing)



▲ SU At The Front

When the war in Iraq was declared in March, SU students past and present were called into action. Senior Kareem Falcon (left) stepped off the softball field and joined 10 other SU student reservists in military call-up. Among the alumni at

the front, Class of 1999 graduate Pat Wallace (right), a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army's 24th Transportation Battalion, brought his school spirit to the battlefield in Iraq by raising the University's flag on a break during a convoy mission.