

**FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
AND GRADUATE COUNCIL**

***Joint Resolution to Approve Supporting Efforts on Behalf of
Students to Restore MAP Grant Funding***

WHEREAS SIUC has a tradition of serving students from first-generation, low-income families and underrepresented groups; and

WHEREAS these students depend on the need-based Monetary Award Program (MAP) to make it possible for them to pursue a higher education at SIUC; and

WHEREAS SIUC has a higher proportion of MAP-supported students than other public institutions in the state of Illinois because of its unique mission; and

WHEREAS these students who will be most affected by the enacted budget cut to MAP exceed 5,000 on the Carbondale campus alone; and

WHEREAS according to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, without legislative action to restore funding, the state will offer no MAP grants for college students this spring (Source: www.saveillinoismapgrants.org)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate and Graduate Council of SIUC supports and encourages the restoration of full funding to the Monetary Award Program by the state of Illinois.

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