

- ❖ **Signing up for your e-ID.** If you have not done so already, you must create your SIUE e-ID (email) account. To create your e-ID, you can click on the “e-ID” link on the left side of the Current Students page on the SIUE website, located at <https://oitam.isg.siu.edu/~eid/cgi-bin/e-ID/>. Select “I want to get an e-ID”. Enter your information. Use your “Banner ID” which is your student ID number that begins with “800”. After establishing your e-ID, you will also be issued a password. Remember that your SIUE email account will be used for all official communications from SIUE, including e-Bill notifications.

An e-ID will give you access to many services provided by SIUE. For example:

- Email
- Access to the Internet from a home PC
- Blackboard courses
- Personal web page

Please note that you will retain email services for 30 days after the end of the term unless you continue as an enrolled student.

- ❖ **Accessing CougarNet.** CougarNet gives you access to your class schedule, your account balance, your final grades, and unofficial transcript.
  - In order to log onto CougarNet, go to [www.siu.edu/COUGARNET](http://www.siu.edu/COUGARNET).
  - You will need your SIUE Banner ID/Student ID Number (800 number) and your CougarNet PIN.
  - For first time users, your PIN is your birth date in this format: MMDDYY – “M” meaning “month”, “D” meaning “day”, and “Y” meaning “year”. For example, my birthday is October 28, 1963, so my PIN as a first time user would be “102863.”
  - Once you log onto CougarNet for the first time, it is recommended that you change your PIN to a number other than your birth date.

Be sure to remember what your Banner ID Number and PIN are, as you will probably need to access CougarNet after you leave SIUE.

- ❖ **Verify that your registration is correct.** Look over your class schedule to be sure that you are registered for the course(s) you requested. You may want to check with your advisor at your home institution, if applicable, to be sure that the SIUE course you requested will meet your curricular requirements. You can check your class schedule by accessing CougarNet.