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Radiology clinical instructor named USI Mentor of the Year

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Doris A. Allen, M.S. R.T. (R) (M), a hospital-supported clinical instructor for students enrolled in the USI Radiologic and Imaging Sciences Program, was named USI's "Mentor of the Year" at the annual Volunteer USI Recognition Dinner August 26. This University-wide award is given to a USI faculty, staff, alumni or community member who has mentored a USI student in his or her overall academic field.

Allen is an educator and compliance officer for Radiology at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center in Jasper, Indiana.

"For radiology students to grow and gain confidence in their skills in the clinical setting, they need competent clinical instructors," said Dr. Ann White, dean of the USI College of Nursing and Health Professions. "Doris has long been viewed as a mentor and a professional of the highest quality by students and clinical instructors. Her level of knowledge and expertise related to the field of radiology is a tremendous asset to our program. She promotes qualities of professionalism, compassion and honesty while holding students accountable for their actions."

Allen regularly attends meetings associated with the USI Radiologic and Imaging Science Program, including monthly clinical faculty meetings, program admission committee, program advisory committee and the program assessment committee.

"Through participation on these various committees, Doris impacts policy development and regulation throughout our program and provides suggestions and opportunities for improvement on an on-going basis," said White. Allen also provides opportunities for students interested in the field of radiology to tour and job-shadow at Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center and provides in-depth information to these students.

"As Doris has been affiliated with USI longer than any of our other current clinical instructors, she has had the chance to impact hundreds of students," said Heather Schmuck, clinical assistant professor of Radiologic and Imaging Sciences. "Many students from our program continue to work alongside Doris as professional technologists. She continues to advise students and technologists about the profession and their careers, and I'm certain she will continue to demonstrate her dedication to the University of Southern Indiana for years to come."

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Founded in 1965, the University of Southern Indiana is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2015. USI enrolls approximately 9,500 undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students in 80 majors. A public higher education

institution, located on a beautiful 1,400-acre campus in Evansville, Indiana, USI offers programs through the College of Liberal Arts, Romain College of Business, College of Nursing and Health Professions and the Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education. USI is a Carnegie Foundation Community Engaged University and offers continuing education and special programs to more than 15,000 participants annually through Outreach and Engagement. Find 50th anniversary information at www.usi.edu/50.

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