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# Southeast Missouri State University - Kennett Spotlight Jenise Seals

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Kennett, MO - My name is Jenise Seals and I am majoring in Criminal Justice.

I attend the SEMO Kennett campus and I have been attending for almost two years.

Things are different now following the COVID-19 crisis.

Doing everything online is a very new experience for me and I wasn't expecting the change, but along the way, I have learned new things that will help me in the long run.

The biggest one that sticks out to me is being responsible. I've always been a responsible person, but when doing online, communication can be somewhat challenging. Now, I've been learning to balance out work and school and I've been using a planner to help me keep on top of my assignments. And if I ever do need help, Zoom is offered and phone calls are as well.

The SEMO Kennett campus means a lot to me and I'm glad they are doing everything in their power to make sure everyone is getting the help they need and to make sure everyone passes their classes. https://showmetimes.com/Blogpost/ve76/Southeast-Missouri-State-University--Kennett-Spotlight-Jenise-Seals

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# Southeast Missouri State University - Sikeston Spotlight Sydney Mayo

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Sikeston, MO - Sydney has been working as a student worker in the Southeast – Sikeston office since last fall. She will be transitioning to the Cape campus this fall, to pursue her major in Dietetics. Her goal is to become a Registered Dietician. We will sure miss her!

Sydney is a graduate of Bloomfield High School, and she was valedictorian of her class. She is one smart cookie, and she continues to do very well in her college classes.

### When asked what she likes about the Southeast – Sikeston campus:

I like that the Southeast-Sikeston campus is small and all of the classes are right there in one building, without having to walk all over campus. The professors and staff are all very friendly and always ready to help. The location was perfect because I could still live

at home and easily drive back and forth.

When asked about how the transition to alternative instructional methods is going (because of COVID-19): It's been going well so far. All of my professors have been extremely helpful and understanding with the whole situation, which makes this transition much easier.

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# Courtney Potts Makes Dean's List and Graduates from SEMO

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Courtney Potts Makes Dean's List and Graduates from SEMO

Courtney Potts of Dexter, MO, has been named to the Southeast Missouri State University Dean's List for academic achievement during the spring 2019 semester.

Students named to the list earned at least a 3.75 grade point average on a 4.0 scale, completed at least 12 hours of standard graded credit, achieved no grade below a B and received no failing grades in enrolled courses, including credit/no credit or pass/fail courses.

She also graduated with an Early Childhood Education degree from SEMO and will begin teaching first grade at Southwest Elementary in the fall.

She is a 2015 graduated of Dexter High School and is the daughter of Peggy and Randy Potts.

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Congratulations to Chelsea DeLay! Southeast Health College of Nursing and Health Sciences 2019 Graduate!

"Life is a grand adventure and now is the time for you to go live it. We are so proud of you on your graduation day and we are looking forward to seeing all that you will accomplish!"

We love you very much! Dad, Mom, Jarrett, Nathan, Courtney, and DeLayne!

"Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." - Proverbs 16:3

Chelsea is a 2015 graduate of Bloomfield High School!

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# SEMO President Delivers Admittance Packets via Drone to Richland Seniors

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SEMO President Delivers Admittance Packets via Drone to Richland Seniors

Dr. Carlos Vargas, president of Southeast Missouri State University, visited Richland High School in Essex, Missouri, Nov. 8, using a drone to deliver admittance packets to two Richland seniors.

Vargas took advantage of Southeast's drone technology to welcome Richland students Emily Blunt and Lillie Sherfield, both of Essex, Missouri, to the Redhawk family.

Using the drone was a nod to Richland's developing Drone Program and Southeast's Bachelor of Science in Unmanned Aircraft Systems (drones), launched in fall 2017.

Richland, a National Blue Ribbon School in 2016 and 2018, is an ideal partner for Southeast due to its investment in drones as a training tool, according to Dr. Debbie Below, vice president for enrollment management and student success. The school purchased four drones and is actively engaging students in drone technology as part of its college preparatory curriculum and career and technical education programs.

Southeast's Unmanned Aircraft Systems program trains students on maintenance, customization, acquisition and use of drones in a commercial setting. Students gain experience in electrical and electronic systems, mechanical operations, software, and drone specific coverage of aviation, system design, safety, policy and sensor systems, preparing them to become professionals in Unmanned Aircraft Systems and other forms of automation.

Vargas has made several similar visits to schools in the region to deliver acceptance packets and meet with students, faculty and administration. Vargas discussed students' academic and personal needs with Richland staff as well as how Southeast can help their students reach their future career goals.

Southeast is now accepting applications for the fall 2019 semester, and students are encouraged to apply before midnight Dec. 1, to meet the deadline for early scholarship consideration and on-campus housing. Apply online at semo.edu/apply. Prospective students are encouraged to take advantage of the Common Application and the benefits of the University's new Copper Dome Scholarship Program.

Southeast encourages incoming students to plan now to attend a Show Me Day on campus Feb. 16 or 18 and March 23. Show Me Day is an opportunity to visit Southeast and learn about the variety of academic programs and services offered. For more information on becoming a Redhawk at Southeast Missouri State University, contact the Office of Admissions at (573) 651-2590 or admissions@semo.edu.

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