

Southeast Missouri State University

Harrison College of Business

Location: Cape Girardeau, Missouri, United States

Population: 50,000

Website: www.semo.edu/ibp/



Cape Girardeau is located on the Mississippi River, approximately mid-way between St. Louis, Missouri; and Memphis, Tennessee. Settled in the 1730s by French traders, it became a town in 1793 and has had both French and German influence. Cape Girardeau is noted as a stop on the Lewis and Clark exploration of the American west, a part of the 1838 Native American Trail of Tears, and more recently as "The City of Roses on the River."

Photo: Dempster Hall of Business

This Fact Sheet provides basic information. If you access it electronically you will have access to all the imbedded links.

About the University

Southeast Missouri State University is a comprehensive university with numerous national and international academic accreditations.

SEMO offers more than 145 undergraduate majors, 100 minors, and more than 75 graduate programs. With nearly 12,000 students, Southeast is an ideal size to take advantage of critical learning and extracurricular opportunities. Internships and experiential learning are available in 100 percent of majors.

Undergraduate/Bachelor Courses available for Exchange Students

Business, Industrial Technology, Mass Communications, and Fine Arts. Other disciplines may be possible (excluding nursing and education). Students taking a full course load normally register for 12 semester hours (24 ECTS), which represents 4 courses each meeting 3 hours per week. Enrollment in 15 semester hours (5 courses) may be possible in consultation with the home school coordinator.

For College of Business class information, go to

<http://www.semo.edu/hcb/academics/schedules.html> (choose classes numbered 500 and below, with no more than 1 web-class)). For other classes, go to

https://banssb.semo.edu:8099/PROD/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched Pick an academic area and you can see various classes within that discipline. (It's pretty clunky, so email if you have problems)

For Business students, a wide variety of classes are offered in the fields of Management, Production, Economics, Marketing, Finance, Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Health Administration, Hospitality Management and related sub-fields.

Graduate/Master Courses in English

Business. Master-level students can participate for one or two semesters and can enroll in upper-level bachelor courses or master-level courses. Master level students may enroll in 6-9 U.S. semester hours (12-18 ECTS), which represents 2-3 courses each meeting 3 hours per week.

Accreditations

The College of Business holds AACSB and NIBS (Network of International Business Schools) accreditation. Other accreditation information can be found at <http://www.semo.edu/provost/accreditations/index.html> .

Orientation

Orientation is typically held on the Wednesday through Friday of the week prior to the start of classes. There is a small fee to cover cost of meals and materials during the orientation.

Students with Disabilities

More information is available at <http://www.semo.edu/ds/index.html>

Fall/Winter Term

Late August to mid-December

Spring Term

Mid-January to mid-May

For more information, go to www.semo.edu/facultysenate/calendar

Health Insurance

Students should bring proof of coverage if they choose to arrange health insurance prior to arrival; insurance must comply with U.S. Department of State requirements. Health insurance purchased through the university is approximately \$625 per semester, payable upon arrival.

Textbooks

\$25 per course (rental) or \$400-600 per semester (purchase). Textbook rental is an option for all bachelor-level classes as well as 500-level master classes. There may also be **Electronic Resources Access Fee** \$20 (if applicable) which applies to certain classes.

Official Transcript

\$5, plus any requested delivery expenses. This fee is paid at the conclusion of the exchange semester.

Visa Information

All non-US citizens are required to obtain either an F-1 or J-1 visa to study in the United States. For further details, go to the web-site of the U.S. Consulate located closest to you.

Housing

Shared dormitory (on campus) or shared apartment (off-campus).

Shared, **off-campus** apartments/houses are available within walking distance to campus. Furniture, utilities, and wi-fi are provided, along with kitchen and bed/bath supplies. Off-campus housing typically ranges from \$400-500 per month for a private room. Generally, off-campus housing is cheaper and usually preferred by more mature students. For information on off-campus housing contact ibp@semo.edu

Visiting international students may also be housed in one of the **on-campus** dormitories. Standard double rooms (i.e. shared rooms) with bath down the hall and quadruple suites with private bath are available. All dormitories have local telephone service, internet access, and cable television service. Kitchen facilities are limited in dormitories, but students may rent or purchase microwaves and refrigerators. Coin laundry services are available in each dormitory. On-campus housing with 15 meals per week starts at approximately \$1000 per month (\$5000 per semester) For additional information about on campus housing and meals, go to www.semo.edu/residencelife/halls/index.html

Entertainment

Leisure venues include a multi-plex theatre with 14 screens, bowling, bars with local entertainment, a large casino complex, university museum and nature centers, and an assortment of community and university activities. Cultural events include concerts, live theatre performances, festivals, and exhibitions. The University has two recreation centers, which include indoor pool, basketball and racquetball courts, indoor track, and weight and exercise facilities; the city offers numerous indoor and outdoor sport facilities. Collegiate basketball, American football, baseball, and women's soccer and volleyball are major University spectator sports. Golf, tennis, cycling, hiking, canoeing, and hunting are popular outdoor activities. Student organizations sponsor various social and educational events; intramural sport activities include soccer, rugby, and more. For more information about Cape Girardeau, go to <https://www.visitcape.com/>

Shopping

The campus is located near the riverfront and downtown area, which offers small shops and restaurants. Several shopping malls and large, chain discount stores are located west of the downtown area; larger stores are typically open everyday, some for 24 hours.

Climate

Cape Girardeau has a warm, temperate climate. Winter temperatures range from -3°C to 10°C with occasional snow or ice. Summers are hot and humid with temperatures ranging from 20°C to 35°C. Precipitation is possible throughout the year.

Getting to Cape Girardeau

The closest international airport is in St. Louis, Missouri (STL), which is 200 km north of Cape Girardeau. Limited direct flights from Europe come to St Louis, so your travel may include a change somewhere. Many students fly into St. Louis and then use [Bart Shuttle Service](#) for transport to Cape Girardeau. Transportation from St. Louis during the pre-semester period can be arranged through the International Education Office on campus for a small fee.

Alternately, direct flights to Cape Girardeau (CGI) are available from Chicago (ORD) Flying via Chicago may provide more flight options and/or lower cost flights.

Getting Around in Cape Girardeau

Private taxi service is available within the city as well as limited city bus service and a free university shuttle service to shopping mall, Wal-Mart/theatre area, hospitals and downtown.