

The SIU System Office of Community Engagement

Making Public Safety Data Work for Communities

**Come see how technology, research, and community needs
intersect to build safer, smarter neighborhoods**

**The Wedge
620 E Broadway, Alton, IL
Wednesday, August 13, 2025
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM
Free and Open to the Public**



Join us as we welcome Dr. Dennis Mares, Professor of Criminal Justice Studies and Director of the Center for Crime Science and Violence Prevention at SIUE, as he shares how his team is transforming complex public safety data into tools that are accessible, transparent, and usable by both the public and local agencies. From a public-facing dashboard to an internal analytics tool for police departments, Dr. Mares will demonstrate how practical, no-cost solutions can make data more actionable—especially for communities with limited technical resources. Come see how technology, research, and community needs intersect to build safer, smarter neighborhoods. This program is free and open to the public.

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