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UNIVERSITY HILL CORPORATION

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University Hill Welcomes Returning College Students

Nearly 26,000 students will converge on the square mile that makes up the University Hill area in Syracuse, New York over the next few days and weeks to attend Syracuse University, SUNY College of Environmental Forestry (ESF), SUNY Upstate Medical University, and the Crouse Hospital College of Nursing. Providing industry-leading education, these institutions are also generators of substantial economic return to the community.

The economic activity generated by these institutions of higher education, including direct spending by students, faculty, employees, and visitors; as well as employment, housing, and expenditures for capital projects, maintenance, and purchasing drives the growth and development of the region. The 25,000 people working on the Hill each day represent 8% of all employment in the Syracuse metropolitan area. That concentration is likely to increase as more than half of the 15 fastest growing occupations for Central New York projected by the New York State Department of Labor are in health care and education.

Enrollment at Syracuse University in 2014 was 21,500 students, including 14,500 full-time undergraduates, 700 part-time undergraduates, 4,800 full-time graduate and law school students, and 1,500 part-time graduate and law school students. With a total faculty of 1,968 and a staff of 3,610, Syracuse University is the area's second largest employer. According to a 2013 study by the Center for Governmental Research, Syracuse University's estimated economic impact is about \$2.16 billion.

Upstate Medical University employs 9,000 people from nearly 30 New York counties, with a payroll of \$600 million, making it the region's largest employer. According to their website, Upstate Medical University powers the CNY economy to a tune of \$2.3 billion. Research enterprises at Upstate total more than \$40 million. Student enrollment is approximately 1,610.

The SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry expects a student population this fall of approximately 2,250. Of those, 320 are first-year students, making it one of the largest classes to ever enter ESF. ESF alumni number more than 16,000 worldwide.

The Pomeroy College of Nursing at Crouse Hospital, which offers a two-year associate's degree program, will welcome 302 students this fall. Approximately 5,000 students have graduated from the program and are now practicing nursing throughout Central New York and around the country. Crouse Hospital employs 2,700 people.

Syracuse area businesses rely heavily on the direct spending by students, faculty, employees and visitors of these colleges and universities. Upstate New York has the third most dense student population in the United States, welcoming students from across the country and the world to the area.

About the University Hill Corporation

Formed in 1963, the University Hill Corporation was established as an independent 501(c)(3) planning and development organization. Its members are comprised of the executive leadership of University Hill's not-for-profit organizations, medical facilities, academic institutions, business districts, religious institutions, and major stakeholders on University Hill. The Corporation works with its members to implement an active agenda, planning for the growth, development, and social well being of University Hill, and to create a place where people want to live, work, and study.

For further information:

<http://www.syr.edu/about/facts.html>

<http://www.upstate.edu/about/impact.php>

<http://www.esf.edu/communications/view.asp?newsID=3731>

<http://www.crouse.org/nursing/about/overview/>

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