

Dining options in Edwardsville

On-campus food options

The Morris University Center houses two coffee shops (Starbucks and Kaldi's Coffee, a local option). In the basement of the University Center, a large food court has options for sandwiches (hot and cold), salads, stir fry, and entrees. Branded options in the food court include Chick-Fil-A, Pizza Hut, and Cocina (Mexican). If you want to hang out on Friday evening after the banquet, the University Center basement also houses a bowling alley.

Restaurants near campus

There are three main food places near campus.

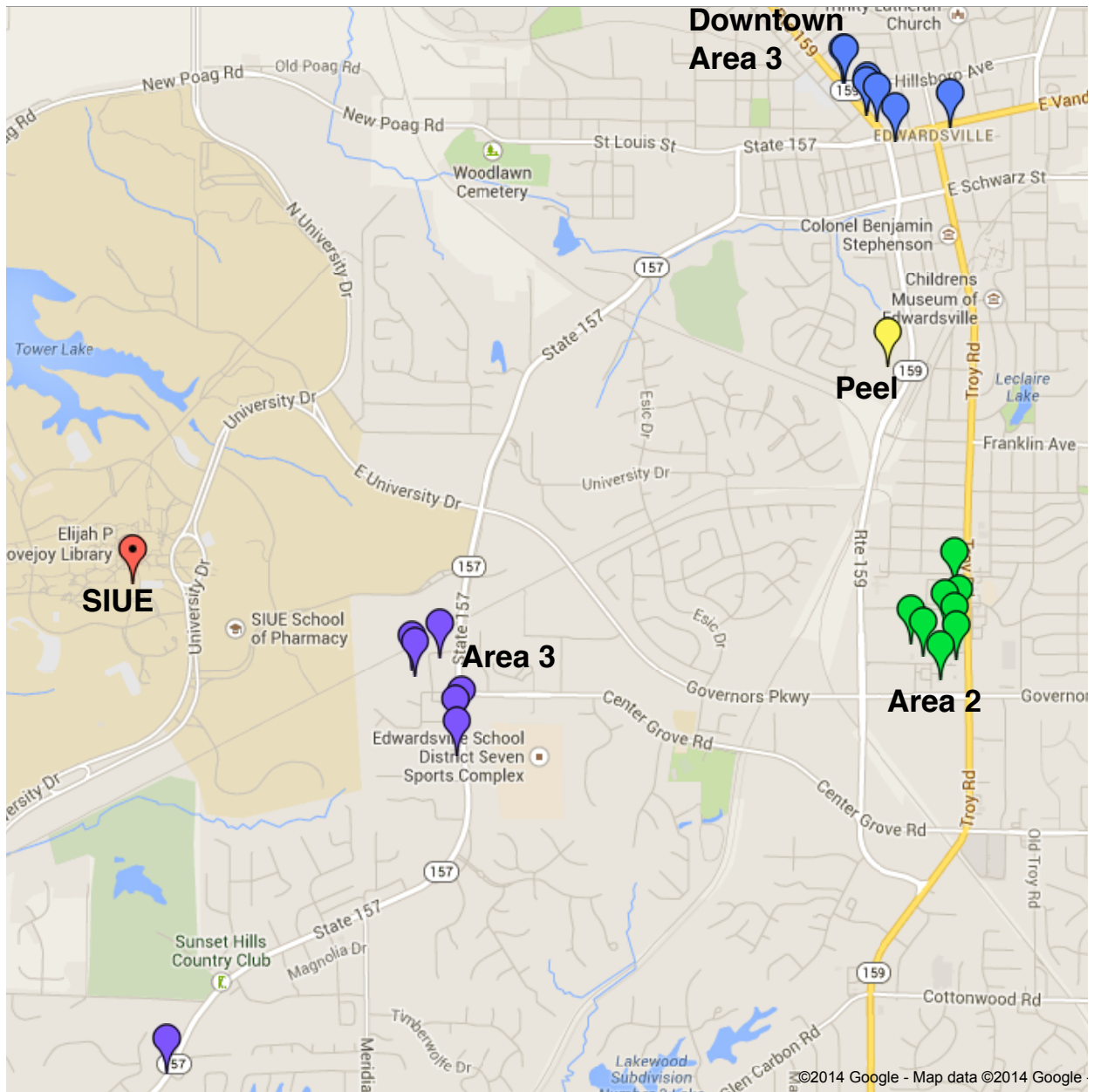
Area 1: If you leave the University through University Park and head south on IL-157, various options are in the shopping center a few hundred feet down the road (and a little bit further along on the right). Food options include: Nori (sushi and Japanese cuisine, pricey for dinner), Bella Milano (Italian), Jimmy Johns sandwiches, Wang Gang (Asian), Shangri-La (Chinese), Los Tres Amigos, Pasta House, and fast food (McDonalds, Wendys, Sonic). Further down another few miles is Edison Entertainment (bowling, laser tag, arcade).

Area 2: If you instead leave campus by University Drive (which turns into "Governor's Parkway"), head down about 2 miles. On the left is a Dierberg's supermarket, and nearby is: Fazolis (fast food Italian), Starbucks, La Casa Mexicana (behind Dierbergs), Oriental Spoon (Korean food, behind Dierbergs), CBW (wraps and rice bowls), St. Louis Bread Company (Panera), Red Robin (burgers), 54th Street Grill, Texas Roadhouse, and Qdoba.

Area 3: Finally, if you head north on IL-157 about 2 miles toward downtown Edwardsville, you'll find several delicious choices. There's Dewey's Pizza, Cleveland-Heath (pricier restaurant with an eccentric and local menu), Taj Indian, Chavas (Mexican), Bigelos (sandwiches, entrees), and others. In between Area 2 and Area 3 is Peel, a great local wood-fired pizza restaurant. Peel is on IL-159 (also called Plum Street) between Governor's Parkway and Vandalia (IL-157/143).

Coffee / drinks / hang-outs off-campus

Most of these are downtown (in "area 3"), including: Global Brew (no food, but incredible beer selection, comfy couches, pricey), Robust (fairly quiet wine bar), Stagger Inn (sometimes loud, sometimes live music, kind of grungy but an Edwardsville classic), Laurie's (similar to Stagger but bigger), Sacred Grounds (nice local coffee place, wifi, vegetarian food). Area 2 has Starbucks, Panera / St. Louis Bread Company, Buffalo Wild Wings, and Red Robin. Area 1 ironically has little for nightlife, except for Shenanigans (loud, sometimes very full, possibly pretty rowdy in the late evening) and Edison's.



Map available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lu84gpk>