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News Release

SIU Commencement Speaker Named

Southern Illinois University School of Medicine's first commencement is scheduled for 4 p.m., June 8 in the rotunda of the State Capitol Building.

David Elliott Rogers, M.D. will deliver the commencement address entitled "Medicine and the Social Contract."

Dr. Rogers, who is President of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, was selected by the students to deliver the convocation address. Rogers was formerly dean of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore.

Commencement activities will begin Friday evening, May 30 and continue through the following week ending in a class party Friday, June 7.

The commencement speaker, Dr. Rogers, serves as President of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation of Princeton, New Jersey. He is also a consultant, editor, and fellow or member of a number of advisory boards, publications and universities, which have included: consultant to the U.S. Navy Hospital; editor of the "Year Book of Medicine;" Princeton University Advisory Council and Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science. His participation in medical societies, clubs and associations has been extensive. Currently he is a member of the Century Association; Distinguished Service Member, Association of American Medical Colleges and Society for Health and Human Values.

He is the author of more than 100 publications, editorials, contributions, articles and reviews in scientific research, medical education and public and private health care.

In addition to this extensive writing schedule, Dr. Rogers is a visiting professor and lecturer to universities throughout the United States. This year

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he presented the "Presidential Address" to the Association of American Physicians and the commencement address to the University of Arizona.

Dr. Rogers has also served as professor of medicine, chairman of the department, Vanderbilt University; Physician-In-Chief, Vanderbilt; Vice-President (Medicine) Johns Hopkins University and attending physician, New York Hospital.