

Introduction to Glassblowing

Feb 12- April 2, 2026
Thursdays, 5 - 8 PM

Pulliam Hall, Industrial Wing Room 112



This eight-week studio course introduces the fundamental techniques of glassblowing and is designed for curious beginners, makers, and anyone seeking a creative, hands-on experience. No prior art background is required.

Participants will learn traditional methods as a foundation for exploring glass both as a physical material and as an expressive artistic medium. All tools and materials are provided; participants must bring their own safety glasses.

Course Objectives

- Develop a foundational understanding of glassblowing techniques
- Gain familiarity with the operation and etiquette of a professional glass studio
- Cultivate a deeper appreciation of glass as an artistic and sculptural material

Schedule & Details

- Dates: February 14 – April 4, 2026
- Day/Time: Saturdays, 10:00–1:00 PM
- Location: Pulliam Hall, Industrial Wing, Room 112
- Cost: \$550 (includes materials and instruction)
- Class Size: Minimum 4 participants / Maximum 6 participants

Course Fee: \$550.00

Studio Health and Safety Policy

The safety of all participants is our top priority. The hotshop is an active industrial environment with heat, noise, and standing. We'll review safety procedures at the start of the course and provide protective gear as needed.

If you have questions regarding any accessibility needs (such as sensory accommodations), please contact nygell.halvorson@siu.edu in advance so we can plan accordingly.

While in the hotshop, all participants must wear safety glasses, closed-toe shoes, and natural-fiber clothing (no polyester, nylon, or rayon). Long hair must be tied back at all times. Anyone without proper attire will not be permitted to work in the glass studio and will be marked absent for that session.

Unsafe behavior or disregard for instructions will result in immediate dismissal from the studio. The glass studio can be dangerous if not used properly, and as with any environment involving heavy equipment, unsafe behavior will not be tolerated. No exceptions.

Participants are not permitted to work in the studio outside of scheduled class hours.

Registration Form

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Email: _____

City, State ZIP

REGISTRATION FEE: \$550.00 Payment (choose one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check (Payable to SIUC) <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	Credit Card #:			
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