

Neil Swartz Scholarship Endowment Fund

A 1976 SIU Automotive graduate, Neil began his career as a technician in the retail sector. He stayed at SIU to earn his Baccalaureate degree. Upon graduation in 1978, he joined the former American Motors Corporation (AMC), and in 1985 he was recruited by Toyota Motor North America.



In each position, Neil has displayed his hard work and passion for the industry, the customer, and his employees. He is a skillful manager and dynamic leader. Today, Neil is Vice President, Parts Supply Chain, Toyota and based at their Plano, Texas headquarters.

Neil served as Co-Chair to the SIU Automotive National Advisory Board for many years, helping guide and direct it through many challenges. Neil was instrumental in promoting the concept and securing the funding for the SIU Transportation Education Center.

Neil is an active supporter of SIU Automotive students and graduates as they enter and progress in their careers at Toyota. Neil established this endowment to support well-deserving SIU Automotive students and the Program.