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Happy Thursday! I wanted to get in touch with you and acknowledge a few things before Commencement. I hope this finds you doing well.

Students

We have come to the conclusion of this academic year! I hope you had a wonderful school year. As we adjusted many of our COVID-19 safety protocols in March 2022, I also hope you had the chance to experience many in-person activities – social events including plays, concerts, athletic events, etc. – that make up the normal college life experience. Let's look forward to the next school year with optimism and excitement that COVID-19 will not prevent us from having a full campus life experience. You have my admiration for being steadfast as we navigated COVID-19 conditions.

For students who are eligible to return this fall but have not registered yet, please know that we want you to return and continue your studies. Please let us know what is keeping you from registering. We encourage you to contact Academic Advising at 716-673-3188 or email advising@fredonia.edu and let us know how we can help. You can also use this link to quickly schedule an appointment online: [Schedule an Appointment with an Advisor](#). Please do not leave for the summer without giving us the opportunity to work with you on anything that is preventing you from registering for the fall semester.

Graduating students, I am sure you are excited! Oh, what a feeling this must be – after writing papers, taking quizzes, exams, participating in internships and engaging in other experiential learning opportunities, staying up nights to get assignments completed, living with COVID-19 related restrictions, and so much more to get to this point. I am excited and very happy for you and all that you

accomplished during your time here at Fredonia. Congratulations to you! I look forward to seeing you at Commencement.

Commencement

I anticipate that those attending Commencement will notice something different regarding the traditional program booklet. In our effort to integrate sustainability in all aspects of campus life, the full program booklet will be made available electronically for downloading to phones, tablets, and other devices. Also, anyone wishing to order a printed commemorative Commencement booklet will be able to do so from the Commencement website at <https://www.fredonia.edu/student-life/commencement/program>.

At Commencement, we will distribute a one-page order-of-the-program. This is a pilot and we believe will reduce the amount of paper that is left behind as waste after the ceremony.

Faculty and Staff

There are times when the phrase “thank you” doesn’t seem enough. This is one of those times. I wish the English language had a stronger phrase than “thank you” for expressing one’s deepest gratitude to others. I know about the many things you did to get us to this point. I appreciate all your efforts and your commitment to SUNY at Fredonia. Thank you.

Everyone, please have a safe and enjoyable summer. I am planning to send out a final update in early June 2022.

Very truly yours,
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