
Message from President Stephen H. Kolison, Jr., December 8, 2022

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Fredonia community,

Happy Thursday evening! I hope your week has been good.

It is hard to believe that we are already coming to the conclusion of our fall semester and the calendar year 2022. For those of us who arrived at Fredonia within the last two years, this semester may have been a semester of new discoveries given the removal of almost all the COVID-related restrictions we had in place for close to two years. For me, I have enjoyed moving around campus freely, meeting people, and experiencing many of the things our campus has to offer. I am still smiling about my interaction with a group of students that I met at the Activities Night held at the beginning of the semester.



Indeed, it has been a tremendous semester full of student life and activities, and I hope that you have enjoyed it as much as I have. As we end the last week of classes, I want to wish all students the very best for your final exams and thank all faculty and staff for their work and commitment to SUNY Fredonia.

Students, looking toward next semester, I want to say to you that if you have not yet registered for the spring, please know that each student is an important member of our campus community and we want you to return and continue your studies. If you are unable to continue, please let us know what is keeping you from registering. There are many staff members who want to provide you with personal assistance, and you can contact Academic Advising at 716-673-3188 or email advising@fredonia.edu and let us know how we can help. You can also use the following link to schedule an appointment online: [Schedule an Appointment with an Advisor](#). We know that the end of the semester is very busy, especially with finals ahead and the holiday seasons at hand, but please do not leave for the break without giving us the opportunity to work with you on anything that is preventing you from registering for the spring semester.

As you know, it takes a significant amount of financial resources to deliver on the mission of the university. These resources come to us from various sources including tuition, state support, donors, grants, and contracts. So, as we conclude this semester and calendar year, I want to extend my thanks and appreciation to parents and students for trusting us as the place to invest their tuition dollars for a great education. I am grateful to all our donors for their generosity in funding scholarships and other endeavors. To our faculty and staff who work hard to attract grants and contracts to the university, thank you so much. The State of New York makes significant investments in our operations and facilities. Even as we continue to ask the state to provide us with adequate resources to address the financial challenges that we face, it is important to express our thanks and appreciation for the support that we already receive. As we saw this year, we received additional \$1.5 million from the state to specifically develop new programs and add new faculty.

To everyone, please have a safe and enjoyable winter break and I look forward to the next time we will be in touch. Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of SUNY Fredonia. Happy Holidays to you and your families!

Very truly yours,
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