



[FacultyStaff] Message from President Stephen H. Kolison, Jr., February 5, 2025

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

February 5, 2025

Dear Campus Community,

As many of you may be aware, there have been a series of actions by the federal government that have the potential to create change on college and university campuses. Understandably, these developments have many members of our campus community wondering about the impact. Please know that we are working closely with SUNY to monitor these developments and determine what they mean and the extent of their applicability to the work we do here at SUNY Fredonia. When we have new information, we will make every effort to communicate it to any impacted parties quickly. In the meantime, students who have concerns about immigration-related issues can call the New York State Office for New Americans hotline at 1-800-566-7636 for assistance.

As your President, let me make some observations that I hope will assure you of a few things. At SUNY Fredonia, we have committed ourselves to building an inclusive community regardless of our human differences, including race, religion, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, and place of origin. We have expressed as an important value that all members of our community should feel

that they belong here. We have committed ourselves to supporting all the students that we admit to be successful in obtaining their educational goals. We work hard every day to make our institution a place where all our students can afford to attend, persist, and complete. We have big dreams for all our students - that when they complete their educational journeys here, they will go out into the world, achieve higher socioeconomic status, and improve the human condition wherever they may choose to live and work. These are commitments and endeavors that I believe will continue to make Fredonia an attractive place.

Hence, please go about your day and know that your choice to be at SUNY Fredonia is the right one. You belong here. As I have indicated since arriving at SUNY Fredonia, I am deeply committed to ensuring that our campus remains a safe and welcoming environment for all our students, faculty, and staff.

Have a wonderful day.

Very truly yours,

Stephen H. Kolison, Jr., Ph.D.
President and Professor

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