Dear Campus Community:

The second week of distance education has now been completed. There was a minor hitch this weekend with OnCourse, which is hosted by Amazon Web Services (AWS), but everything seems to be working correctly now. Your patience with these technical issues is greatly appreciated.

**Video.** Here is a [link](#) to a video highlighting some members of the Class of 2020.

**Commencement 2020—August 8.** The Senior Class overwhelmingly voted to have Commencement 2020 held on Saturday, August 8. This option received four times the number of votes than second place, which was the Saturday of Homecoming. As a result, Commencement has been officially postponed to Saturday, August 8, 2020. Nearly 60% of the Senior Class participated in this vote, and all suggestions submitted through the survey have been forwarded to the Commencement Planning Committee.

**Summer School.** As you probably know, Fredonia runs two successive sessions of summer school classes. The decision has been made to hold all classes for the first session of Summer School exclusively in a distance education format. A decision about classes for the second Summer School session will be made at a later date.

**Credits/Refunds.** The release of information regarding earned credits and how graduates can request refunds is getting closer. The information is still being compiled and verified, but should be released sometime next week.

**Student Emergency Relief Fund.** This fund, initiated by faculty and staff, has been established to assist students financially and is intended to alleviate hardship, especially related to moving to a digital education format. If you need emergency assistance, apply on-line via this link: [https://give-to-fredonia.formstack.com/forms/relief_request](https://give-to-fredonia.formstack.com/forms/relief_request)

Have a good week, and please stay safe!

Sincerely,

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