ELMIRA COLLEGE

August 6, 2024

Dear Students,

In preparation for your return to campus in a few short weeks, I am writing to share several EC updates.

New Students

I am pleased to report that the College expects to enroll the largest number of new students since 2014, and we're looking forward to an active and robust campus this year.

Campus Life Staffing

Following Dr. Elizabeth Lambert's decision to step down as Vice President of Campus Life and Dean of Students, I asked Ms. Ytzel Flores Cristiansen to provide leadership to the student life program on an interim basis. A search committee is inviting candidates to apply for a new Dean of Students position, who will be responsible for overseeing Campus Life. Students will have an opportunity to meet finalists for the position this fall and provide the committee with feedback.

CAPE Leadership

We are pleased to welcome back Dr. Stephanie Johnson who will serve as Interim Director of CAPE. Returning students may remember Dr. Johnson previously served as EC's Director of Teacher Education and Assistant Professor of Inclusive Special Education. Rachel Redmond, current Director of CAPE and Office of Career Services, will be leaving EC later this month after helping Dr. Johnson transition into her role. Rachel has done a tremendous job at EC and we wish her all the best.

Dr. Magan Straight, Assistant Director of CAPE; Manager of Disability and Accessibility Resources, joined the CAPE team in July. She comes to EC from Landmark College in Vermont, and brings a wealth of experience and insight to CAPE.

Aaron Lindgren, Supervisor, Student Success, Melanie Moon, Career Services and Community Engagement Coordinator, Dr. Annaliese Hoehling, Writing Program Director, and Dr. Adam Giambrone, First Year Seminar, all continue in their roles within CAPE and look forward to welcoming you back to campus.

Turf Field

Work is nearing completion on the new artificial turf field at the corner of 5th and Davis Streets. Expectations are that the field will be completed and available for use by athletic teams, intramural sports, and general campus life activities very soon. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held this fall, which all students are invited to attend. Details to follow in the next few weeks.

1855 House (The President's Home)

Over the summer, Mrs. Lindsay and I moved from our home just off campus to the 1855 House (commonly referred to as The President's Home or TPH) at the corner of 7th Street and Park Place. The move allows us to engage more fully in student life and other activities on campus. Note: The Admissions office, which was located in TPH, moved across the street to Cowles Hall.

I hope you are enjoying a relaxing and productive summer and look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

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