



Academic Programs and Services
College Council Report
April 2019
Dr. Kelli Ligeikis, Provost

**Office of Admissions
College Council Report, April 2019**

Robert Piurowski, Director of Admissions and Enrollment Management

- **New Initiatives**
 - Operational
 - Signal Vine Text Messaging – Planned Launch on April 15, 2019
 - Transition to Early Action and Regular Decision Admissions Offers
 - Veterinary Science Technology
 - Early Action (Students Admitted on 12/15/18)
 - 114 Offers of Admission - 90 GPA/1135 SAT
 - Regular Decision (Students Admitted on 2/1/19)
 - 115 Offers of Admission - 89 GPA/1118 SAT
 - Nursing
 - Early Action
 - 105 Offers of Admission - 91 GPA/1145 SAT
 - Regular Decision
 - 127 Offers of Admission - 89 GPA/1115 SAT
 - Events
 - Accepted Student Yield Events (April 5-11)
 - Locations: Albany, Binghamton, Newburgh, Garden City
 - Additional Event for Business and Hospitality Students in New York City
 - Partnership with CoTo Travel
 - Arranged transportation for the final Bronco Ready Orientation Days in May/June, departing from New York City and New Rochelle
 - Kickoff - Peer Recruiter Program
 - Will launch during spring break with five current students visiting their home high school to promote SUNY Delhi.
 - **Additional Information**
 - New Student Enrollment is currently trending from flat to a moderate increase over fall 2018. Registration has been healthy for our remaining recruitment/yield events for spring 2019.
 - New Student Applications and Offers of Admission for fall 2019 are projected at a moderate decrease. Applications system-wide (SUNY) have decreased due to the available number of graduating high school students and declines in community college enrollments. The reduction of offers was planned as our admissions review was modified and would reduce the number of offers, befitting focus for enrollment yield and student success.
 - Faculty and Administration have been supportive of enrollment activities, including increased student outreach, additional creation of marketing material, and support with recruitment and enrollment events.

**School of Business & Hospitality Management
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David C. Brower, PhD, CHE, Dean

- Students and faculty from the Restaurant Management and Operations class hosted SUNY Provost Tod Laursen for lunch as part of his visit to Delhi. Provost Laursen was extremely impressed with his experience on campus and with his interactions with students.
- James Margiotta and three Culinary Arts students created beautiful ice sculptures for the Hanford Mills Museum Ice Harvest Festival. Volunteers also made soup and chili for the event's soup buffet. SUNY Delhi and Hanford Mills Museum have a long-standing collaboration.
- Members of the SUNY Delhi Escoffier Club won the Firefighter's Choice and People's Choice awards for their Southwest Short Rib chili at the annual CANO Chili Bowl in Oneonta on February 3, 2019.
- Bronco Investment Group (BIG) sponsored a visit from Clarkson University on February 19, 2019. Representatives came to campus to discuss the newly established articulation agreement for Delhi graduates to enter their MBA program.
- Several Business and Information Technology students are interning with the Delhi Telephone Company.
- Daniel Hess won the title of American Culinary Federation's Northeast Regional Student Chef of the Year at the Northeast ChefConnect in Atlantic City, NJ on February 23, 2019. Dan will now advance to the ACF National Convention in Orlando this August.
- Through the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, students are offering free tax preparation to individuals whose income qualifies. Coordinators are Charlie Mole and Adriene Clifford.
- Kiana Jennings (student) started an internship with Greenslate in Delhi. Kiana was recruited by an alumnus who works there because of her accounting and information technology skills.
- The Business Department continues their relationship with the Town and Village of Walton. Delhi students record their meetings and upload the video to the village website.
- The Hospitality Management Department hosted the annual Etiquette Dinner for their students on March 7, 2019. Etiquette coach, Dr. Fred Mayo, presented a variety of points related to dining, entertaining, and interacting in business situations.
- Michael Barnes and Victor Sommo presented a seminar: "Pairing the Perfect Beverages" at Delaware County FoodWorks+ in Andes on March 9, 2019. The seminar is the second of a three-part entertaining series that is marketed to local residents and second homeowners. The session was well received.
- The HR Law class is doing a project for CADI. They are reviewing their recruitment process and developing training videos.
- Brianne Slocum is chairing a task force to evaluate the study abroad options for students in the Hospitality Management Department.
- On March 12, 2019, SUNY Delhi graduate Erin O'Mara was invited to host a beer pairing dinner on the SUNY Schenectady Campus. Ms. O'Mara is the Capital Region representative for the family owned and operated Troegs Independent Brewers in Hershey, PA. The dinner was hosted by the SUNY Delhi Hospitality Management offsite program and the SUNY Schenectady Department of Hospitality, Culinary Arts, and Tourism.

- Carly Yezzo, a junior in the Culinary Arts Management program won the Chaines des Rotisseurs competition held at SUNY Schenectady on March 16, 2019. She now advances to the next level of the competition, which will be held in June.
- SUNY Delhi graduate Kerri Green, owner of Celebration Creation Event Planning joined advisor Brianne Slocum and members of the Meeting Professionals International club for "Dinner with a Planner" at Signatures Restaurant on March 15, 2019.
- Students and faculty from the Hospitality Management Department have been asked to serve as a pilot group for the initial rollout of Starfish, the new early warning and student tracking system being deployed on campus.
- David Brower and Jessica Backus-Foster hosted 20 attendees from the Center for Continued Adult Learning (C-CAL) in Oneonta for an information session about the Hospitality Management Department, a tour of the facilities and lunch at Signatures Restaurant. A second session is planned later this semester.
- Culinary Arts faculty have hosted two fundraising dinners to assist with offsetting the expense of competitions this semester. Similar events are planned for later in the term as well.
- Tracy VerValin continues to organize monthly Hospitality Happy Hours where celebrity bartenders from across campus work to raise funds for student scholarships.
- Hospitality Management Department faculty continue hosting employers on campus as part of the Employer Spotlight program. To date, the following employers have visited campus: Crystal Springs Resort, Manhattan Beer Distributors, The Country Club, Sunningdale Country Club, Westchester Hills Golf Club, Spillian, and the Hilton Garden Inn Horseheads.
- Recruitment remains a top priority for the school. Faculty, staff, and administration have visited community colleges, BOCES/technical high schools, and completed targeted recruitment at four high schools in New York City. Numerous individual and high school visits have been hosted on campus as well. Additional visits and activities are planned for the balance of the semester.

**School of Liberal Arts and Sciences
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Dr. Linnea Goodwin Burwood, Dean

- Scott Swayze, assigned by the Northern District as *Pro Bono* counsel, argued a civil rights matter before U.S. Magistrate Judge David Peebles last month. Two students observed the proceeding.
- Kirby Olson had a poem published in One-Sentence Poems and two more were accepted at an anthology entitled Surrealists and Outsiders, to be published in 2019 by Thrice Publishing.
- Justin Whitney recently presented a paper at the National Writing Studies conference, the Conference on College Composition and Communication. Paper title: *Negotiated Continuity: Korean International Students and the American Community College*. The Conference on College Composition and Communication is the premier conference on Writing Studies in the nation. At this conference Justin was elected to the position of Co-Chair of the Working-Class and Pedagogy Standing Group.
- Tessier, J.T. 2019. Evidence of capacity for water dispersal in *Acer saccharum*. *Ecosphere* 10(2):e02619. 10.1002/ecs2.2619.

- Hosted Erpf-Sanford speaker Ryan Stephens from the University of New Hampshire who presented a talk titled “Small mammals, truffles, and the dispersal of mycorrhizal fungi”
- Note – Student name in bold. Tessier, J. and **P. Zuk**. 2018. Interim Report for Delaware County Electric Cooperative: Power Line Rights-of-Way Management Study. Submitted to the Delaware County Electric Cooperative.
- Roshan Houshmand has a solo exhibition, *Under the Bodhi Tree*, including 14 paintings as part of the Gifts of Art Program at The University of Michigan, Taubman Center South Gallery in Ann Arbor, MI from June 18-June 7, 2019.
Roshan has been selected to receive the International Diego Velazquez Prize to be awarded at the European Museum of Modern Art (MEAM) in Barcelona, Spain. Roshan will also have her work featured at the third Biennale of Barcelona also at MEAM from April 5-8, 2019.
- Lori Tremblay presented a Poster presentation, “Back-breaking Poverty: Schmorl’s Nodes in Institutionalized and Impoverished Populations in the Late 19th and Early 20th Century United States” at the 88th annual meeting of the American Association of Physical Anthropologists, March 27-30, 2019 in Cleveland, Ohio.
Lori is also co-editor for an edited volume, in progress, via University Press of Florida, entitled *A Community of Care: Expanding the Bioarchaeology of Care to Population-Level Analyses*.
- Kathryn DeZur’s poetry chapbook, *Blue Ghosts*, has been selected for publication by Finishing Line Press and will be released in July 2019.
- Lisa Heimbauer, publication accepted with minor revisions: Heimbauer, L. A., Johns, T., & Weiss, D. J. (accepted with revisions). “Is the cup empty? Inferential reasoning in the visual and auditory modalities by cotton-top tamarins (*Saguinus Oedipus*).” *Journal of Comparative Psychology*.
Lisa also attended the 111th Annual Meeting of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology as the Treasurer (1st of 3-year term)
Lisa Heimbauer presented at the above conference: “Is the Cup Empty? Inferential Reasoning in the Visual and Auditory Modalities by Cotton-top Tamarins (*Saguinus Oedipus*).”
- Shelly Jones is editing a collection of academic essays, entitled *Watch Us Roll: Actual Play, Performance, and Participatory Culture*, which will examine the phenomenon of actual play of tabletop roll playing games (RPGs). This collection has been accepted for publication by McFarland and is scheduled to be in print in 2020. Within that collection, Shelly will be writing a chapter entitled, “Actual Play Audience as Archive: Analyzing the *Critical Role Fandom*,” exploring fan ethics in digital archival practices.
Shelly Jones also has a chapter entitled “The Quest for More Yarn: Fiber Fictions as Transmedia” coming out in *Transmedia Storytelling, Tabletop Roleplaying, and Fandom*, an edited collection of essays forthcoming by McFarland in 2020. Another chapter, “Simulated Ableism: *The Sims* and the Lack of Disability Representation” will be published in *We Can Mod It! Women, Video Games, and Modding*, an edited collection of essays forthcoming by McFarland in 2019.
- The Architecture club travelled to study the architecture and urbanism of Montreal, Canada March 22 – 24, 2019
- American Institute of Architects Southern NY (AIANYS) Board meeting & Unalam Tour - four Architecture faculty members will be attending annual board meeting and Unalam Factory tour. This event will help open up potential networking and scholarship opportunities for students and provides continuing education credits for the attendees.

- The Architecture Department is proud to announce that a student exhibition of architectural design work was available for viewing at Rachel's Framing on Main St, Delhi during March 2019.

**Resnick Library
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Carrie Fishner, Director

- Forty-two instruction sessions have been scheduled by faculty to be conducted by Librarians so far for the spring semester.
- Elizabeth Santobuono is running the annual March Madness for Books program in the library, this year's theme is "Best Book to Movie Adaptations". The Final Four are *The Princess Bride*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Black Panther*, and *The Lord of the Rings*. Voting will on the final two took place the week of March 25, 2019. Over 150 votes have been collected so far.
- Carrie Fishner and Adam Lang researched Amelia and Elizabeth MacDonald to create the Women's History Month display for the library. They also worked with Jarvis McCowin of the MOSAIC Center to provide the photograph and picture needed for the Art Force 5 project. The research and mosaic will become part of a permanent exhibit to be housed in the Resnick Library on the MacDonald sisters and their contribution to the founding of SUNY Delhi.
- Carrie Fishner was elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the SUNY Libraries Consortium through 2021.
- Amanda Calabrese has passed her administration certification for PRIMO, the new library discovery software that we will be transitioning to this summer in conjunction with the new SUNY-wide library services platform.
- Katelyn Baroody and Amanda Calabrese have conducted seven User Experience studies with individuals on the library's website, and are now analyzing those results.
- The Library Assessment Team conducted a library survey in March asking patrons about their use of the library collections.

**Resnick Academic Achievement Center
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Jeff Stedman, Director

Total contact for spring:

- Since January of 2019, the Resnick Academic Achievement Center (RAAC) has had 7,164 student contacts between all of the offices. Of those 1,848 were just students who were in the center studying.

Advising

- Behavioral Intervention Team (weekly meeting with student life staff to discuss potential students of concern)
- New Advisor Training- fifteen new faculty that will be advising students next semester are going through advisor training

- Assisted with Orientation/Welcome Weekend in January
- Assisting with new math placement plan
- Meeting with students who have made poor decisions in the residence halls to discuss how this could affect careers
- We have received 982 Academic Warnings to date
- Cross Registration verification, in conjunction with Registrar and Financial Aid for a large number of students looking to take classes
- Criminal Justice online advisor working with both online bachelor's students as well as campus bachelor's students on curriculum, graduation requirements and internships.

Access & Equity

- Disability as Diversity Access in the Digital Age Workshop eleven faculty and staff attended
- Service and Assistance Animal Workshop- six faculty and staff attended
- Enhanced Supports Advocacy Day in Albany- over 250 students attended from campuses across the state. Seven students from SUNY Delhi attended as well as faculty and staff
- April Autism Awareness Month- Autism Society of the Capital Region Presentation for students, faculty and staff
- SUNY Electronic and Information Technology Policy sent out to campus leaders for comment in February. Informational webinars were provided and Gabriella Vasta is part of the committee presenting this information to campuses
- One hundred and twenty exams have been administered in the Testing Center as of March 8, 2019.

C-PASS

- The C-PASS program is fully staffed, with our Success Coach Jessica Blake coming on board in January
- C-PASS is currently recruiting a cohort of 25-30 students for the fall semester; currently 27 applications have been received and interviews are being conducted and 10 students have been offered a spot in C-PASS for fall 2019
- C-PASS outreach has continued in O'Connor Hall with study groups for both Statistics and College Algebra, along with weekly drop-in Success Coach office hours

Starfish (comprehensive cross campus communication and tracking software)

- Cara Aguirre and Jeff Stedman participate in the SUNY Early Alerts monthly meetings across the state with other SUNY's who are or have instituted Starfish
- Starfish will be going live with a cohort in Hospitality on March 25, 2019
- Currently offered training during SPARK (Sharing Pedagogy Awesome Ideas Research & Knowledge) and introduced over 40 faculty to the program. Overview training at Academic Council, Watershed Wednesday, and to Hospitality Faculty.

Tutoring

- We have seventeen faculty volunteer tutors adding an additional 25 hours of tutoring in the center

- There are 24 Peer tutors, four Peer Supplemental Instructors (PSI) in Hospitality, Chemistry and Physics
- For STAR-NY (SUNY online tutoring Sunday – Thursday, 7:00pm-12:00am) we have had 13 students log into the system
- The new science tutor met with 70 students during the fall semester. The tutor has already meet with 27 students this spring semester as assignments and exams have started
- The writing center had 900 student appointments during the fall, and are currently at 285 meetings for the spring semester
- The math center has 1,500 contacts during the fall and 585 for the spring currently

Academic Exploration Program

- The Academic Exploration Program (AEP) grant was approved by SUNY for the final two years
- AEP students completed four hours of community services assisting with the Delhi Fire Department and Rotary Pancake Breakfast
- There have been classroom presentations on careers and major exploration

School of Nursing College Council Report, April 2019

Dr. Susan Deane, Dean

Investing in Facilities

- Jamie Murphy conducted a presentation on Creative Commons via Zoom on February 21, 2019 for faculty development.

Human Resources

- Two new adjunct faculty starting to teach in Spring Session K (BSN)
- Recruiting for pre-licensure faculty replacement for Dan Endress, who has resigned effective 6/14/19.

Storytelling

- Cheryle Levitt reviewed two manuscripts for Journal of Nursing Education & Practice
- Cheryle completed the SUNY Assessment Leadership Course with Distinction

Student Potential

- Several pre-licensure students are completing applications for the Merrill Scholarship. Applications are due April 30, 2019.
- All second year nursing students attended a Career Panel/Nurse Leadership event held in Contemporary Nursing. Students made connections with area hospitals and healthcare facilities regarding employment post-graduation.

- Eight pre-licensure students participated in the NLN Center of Excellence site visit. They answered questions regarding the program and how their educational and professional needs are met.

Academic Programs

- Exploring increasing ATI (testing company used to prepare students for the licensing exam) program package to better align with retention efforts, as well as improve NCLEX pass rates.
- Donna Cutting attended ACEN (accrediting body) workshop in Atlanta, GA to increase knowledge about program requirements for accreditation.

School of Veterinary and Applied Sciences College Council Report, April 2019

Dr. Bret Meckel, Dean

- The Veterinary Science program has received a high fidelity canine simulator from Cornell University as part of a joint SUNY IITG Grant. It will be used for simulated clinical training, which will help reduce the number of live animal uses in instruction. A full simulation suite is part of the Farnsworth remodel design.
- The Veterinary Science program has developed a partnership with “Homes for Animal Heroes” to provide spay and neuter surgeries and enrichment to program animals as part of their adoption process.
- Veterinary Science has installed three video recording stations where students will be able to self-record their progress on technical skills for submission or review.
- The first phase of the Farnsworth remodel will occur over summer/ fall 2019, which will renovate and replace the aged cleaning and sterilization units, which service Farnsworth Hall.
- The “Cultivate” student-mentoring program is continuing into its second semester. Second year students meet informally with first year students to provide guidance and support for students who may be struggling.
- Jacob LaVarnway '17 has been accepted to Veterinary School at Virginia Tech and Iowa State.
- Ten Golf and Sports Turf Management students and three faculty attended the Golf Industry Show in San Diego and competed in the annual Collegiate Turf Bowl Competition. Delhi teams placed 15th and 33rd overall against stiff competition. Anthony Roach (2019) placed first overall in the problem solving narrative component of the competition.
- Jess Schiavo has secured a \$3,400 gift from Boeringer Ingelheim Industries to support students interested in Lab Animal Technology.
- Horticulture Science freshmen students expanded their knowledge of the “Green Industry” by attending a field trip as part of their Orientation to Horticulture Class. Arranged by Birgitta Brophy and Kathy Gillooley, students had a guided tour of the gardens, greenhouses and golf course facilities by Mohonk Mountain House’s Supervisor of Parks and Head Horticulturalist.
- Mariano Malagisi, Golf and Sports Turf Management BBA student, received for a second year in a row, a \$1,000 scholarship from the National Association of Landscape Professionals. He was awarded this at the annual National Collegiate Landscape Competition at Colorado State University, CO on March 20, 2019.

- Greenhouse Production students toured PhytaCell, a micro-propagation facility in Delhi in February. This is a highly specialized technique in plant cloning process. Owner, Sally Scrimshaw, graciously provided not only her time but also allowed students to experience this technique and take home new plantlets (which have already taken root!).
- Horticulture Club students Mariano Malagisi and Carly Pitt will be attending and competing at the 43rd annual National Collegiate Landscape Competition at Colorado State University, CO. Club advisor, Birgitta Brophy, has provided guidance to students to date and was a chaperone for this educational, networking and challenging experience.
- Northeastern New York Section PGA (NENY PGA) awarded Dave Arehart the Youth Player Development Award and he will be honored for his achievements at the NENY PGA Spring Membership Meeting.