
[FacultyStaff] Message from President Stephen H. Kolison, Jr., October 4, 2024

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Dear Students,

Happy Friday evening!

As you know, last week I offered information sessions where the Cabinet members and I addressed the university's current financial situation and strategies moving forward. I am grateful for the thoughtful comments made and helpful questions that were asked. Thank you to all those who were able to be there, and I will keep you updated as we finalize our financial plan with SUNY.

Invitation to Fredonia's New Innovation Lab

Please join me at the official ribbon-cutting of our brand-new state-of-the-art Innovation Lab, on **October 9, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in Fenton Hall, 115.**

This lab was designed to provide students with unparalleled learning opportunities. As part of my vision outlined in my May 2023 address, we are committed to enhancing the student experience by integrating cutting-edge information technology, supporting our educational mission, and expanding access to innovative programs.

This Innovation Lab will be used for both regular courses and extracurricular skill development—vital for today’s students at all universities. From training in emerging technologies to hosting unique events like the AI Film Festival, the Lab will be a hub of creativity and innovation.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Dr. Michel Kouadio, our Chief Information Officer, and the many members of the ITS team for taking the lead on bringing us this Innovation Lab. They are doing outstanding work to position SUNY Fredonia as a leading, innovative university among our peers.

Shout Out to Student Athletes

I would like to send a shout out to all student athletes for their athleticism and for how well they have represented SUNY Fredonia in all the contests they have participated in this fall. As I am able to, I will be in the audience to cheer you on.

Students, next Thursday and Friday will be fall break, and I wish everyone safe travels. I hope that your first few weeks of classes have been productive and enjoyable.

Very truly yours,

Dr. K

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President and Professor

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