

Office of the President

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Daemen University Faculty and Staff

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you are having a productive and enjoyable semester. I am writing to share a few important updates as we approach the halfway point of the spring semester.

First, I want to remind everyone that between March 11 and March 19 we will continue the reconstruction of Duns Scotus Hall by completing additional abatement. The building will be closed during that time. Starting on March 8th, contractors will begin prepping for this process, so you may see signage being hung and other proactive steps taken, but no abatement will be conducted until the 11th.

Second, I am delighted to report that at their February meeting, the Town of Amherst planning board approved the construction plans for our third and final parking lot. This lot will be the final phase in our preparation for the Daemen Public Square, better known as the quad project, as we work to relocate parking spots from between Duns Scotus and Wick. As I have reported previously, we will break ground on the Daemen Public Square immediately following commencement.

Finally, I am also pleased to report some exciting updates to the division of Institutional Advancement. Now that we have strong and stable leadership over that area with the appointment of Dr. Mario Hicks, we will transition the Marketing and Communications division back to its original home under Institutional Advancement. We will conduct a national search for a Senior Director of Marketing next month. I would like to thank Dr. Greg Nayor for his leadership of the Marketing and Communications team during this interim period. He did an exceptional job guiding this important unit of the college.

I hope you have a restful spring break and successful end to your semester.

Cordially.

Sary A. Olson
President