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Faculty and Staff Daemen College

Dear Colleagues,

I want to thank the many of you who have so graciously welcomed me to Daemen and the Amherst community. Your generosity has done much to make me feel at home.

I am in the process of visiting each department and office on campus, and I look forward to meeting you and your colleagues and to hearing about your work and your aspirations.

You may have heard about our most recent point of pride: the Haberman Gacioch Center for Visual and Performing Arts has received Gold LEED Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council, recognizing state-of-the-art environmental design. Daemen College now has the distinction of having two buildings certified Gold—a real accomplishment for a small institution. Congratulations to the many of you who have worked so hard to position us for this distinction.

Over this semester, I will be working with you and college officials to help raise awareness of Daemen, not only regionally but nationally. We have much to be proud of, and I hope to share your many accomplishments with those who are not yet aware of what a high-quality institution we are. Please let us know when you receive grants, awards, or other types of recognition of your work.

Cordially.

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