

Office of the President

November 19, 2019

Daemen College Students, Faculty, and Staff

Dear Colleagues,

I wanted to take a moment to acknowledge the peaceful protest and sit-in organized by members of our student body who have concerns about campus climate and diversity. I applaud the constructive manner in which they have worked to create awareness for these important issues.

As a part of these efforts, we have received a list of areas that students would like addressed, many of which are already in progress and will require continued institutional support. We are going to continue working on these and other areas that are necessary in order to lead the College, and all of its community members, to an even greater understanding of diversity and inclusivity.

This work is hard and it will be met with ups and downs, but I want to re-assure community members that we are committed to that work and welcome the opportunity to discuss our shared goals with students and other Daemen community members.

I want to thank all of our student leaders who have been vocal and are sharing their opinion with us so that we can continue to move forward. Additional communications will be sent out by the appropriate staff member when there are more updates.

Cordially,

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President