

**January 2021**

# SUNY Broome's "Performing Arts" Brighten the Horizon with "Virtual" Theater and Music Performances

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*Frostbite*

SUNY Broome Theater is proud to announce that the video of *Yours Truly, Jack Frost*, SUNY Broome's first-ever virtual theater production, garnered a larger audience than could ever be gathered in the theater space unless we did many performances.

*We have estimated that 1500 to 1700 people have seen the show based on the number of views being mostly small groups and some whole classrooms*, said Theater director Katherine Bacon. *Though we know we had views in other countries, most were in our region. We are grateful to BOCES for sharing the performance details with the elementary schools in our region. The actors and director offered two Q&A "interactive" Zoom sessions the week the show debuted*, Katherine said.

Available on SUNY Broome's YouTube page since December 16, 2020 the play is a sparkling, wholesome story full of intrigue, and even a dog who talks named Frostbite. We are pleased that our show was available to children free of charge at this difficult time.

Our Music students performed their usual end of semester concerts which are available on the Music Facebook page. The Ensembles performed including the College Choir, Guitar Ensemble, Concert Band, Chamber Singers along with recitals of the Applied students' work, and much more.

During this time when it is a challenge for the performing arts in higher education, our Department of Music and Theater Arts hopes that these offerings showed how we are determined to weather the storm with opportunities for practice and performance.

Here is the link to the theater show which will be taken down from the YouTube page on Friday, January 8, 2021, so those who would like to see it can still do so.

Here is the link to the SUNY Broome Music Facebook page.

# January 2021 Board of Trustee meetings

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The Board of Trustees of SUNY Broome Community College has scheduled the following meetings:

As per Executive Order 202.87, SUNY Broome's Finance & Facilities Committee and Board of Trustees meetings will be streamed live on the SUNY Broome Community College YouTube Page.

- January 19, 2021 (Tuesday) – Monthly meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee, 9:00 am.  
SUNY Broome Community College Finance & Facilities Committee
- January 21, 2021 (Thursday) – The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees, 5:00 pm.  
SUNY Broome Community College Board of Trustees

All meeting are open to the Press and Public

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# In Memoriam: The passing of Dr. Mildred Emes Semple

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It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. Mildred Emes Semple on December 3, 2020.

Mid was a professor in the Business Division professor at SUNY Broome for 38 years. She was one of four SUNY Broome faculty members that pioneered development of online courses in the 1990s and she was a founding member of the Women's Institute at SUNY Broome.

[View Dr. Mildred Emes Semple's obituary.](#)

# ENI January Newsletter – Live Well , Work Well

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**From ENI and the Employee Wellness Committee:**

Like many other people, you may be thinking about what you would like to accomplish in 2021 or what life changes you could make. Common New Year's resolutions include losing weight, exercising, getting organized, learning new skills and saving money.

Download this month's Live Well, Work Well for tips to help you reach your goal.

[ENI: Live Well Work Well Newsletter January-2021 \(pdf\)Download](#)

See eni for more information and all available newsletters.  
Submitted by: ENI and the Employee Wellness Committee

# SUNY Broome unveils new rehearsal and performance space

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Since 2015, students in the music program have called the Campus Services Building home. After months of renovations, the building now includes a new dedicated, multipurpose performance and rehearsal space.

Campus Services room 130, which once housed the campus Copy Center, has been recently expanded and completely renovated into a fully-equipped music performance and learning space. As part of the continuous campus improvement plan, this new space will allow students to practice, perform, and learn while safely social distancing.

“Students are excited about the new space – and it is a beautiful new space and a huge need in our department,” said Brenda Dawe, Chair of the Music and Theater Arts Department. “We finally have a space large enough to accommodate all of the students safely and can give the students what they require to earn a proper music degree.”

Emily Woughter, a student in the Health Studies program, also has a passion for music and takes music courses to supplement her degree. “The space that we had before was cramped and it was difficult to fit everyone inside,” she explains, “sometimes we even had students with instruments in the hallway.”



Ahakeem Lynch-Miller, a Sound Engineering student said, “There is a lot more space and we don’t have to carry our instruments back and forth to different places, we can just come in and play, it’s nice.”



With large space on campus at a premium, the students in the music program often struggled to find areas large enough to accommodate learning and rehearsals that students require to complete their degree. “It was a huge need in the department,” said Brenda “it took us a while to get here, but we are delighted and grateful to be able to have this wonderful space.”



The creation of the new multipurpose performance and learning area highlights the importance of base aid and state investment on campus. Such funds are critical when it comes to creating program-appropriate classroom space. In addition to the state funding, the BCC Foundation provided generous financial support that assisted with the cost of fully transforming CS 130 into a fully equipped, state-of-the-art music learning room.

“Our gift helped to leverage a 1:1 match in state funding for this new state of the art program space, including the performance space, and rehearsal rooms which will not only showcase our very talented current students but can assist in helping to recruit new students to our program,” explained Cathy Williams, Executive Director of the Broome Community College Foundation. “Additionally, we are so pleased that the leadership of Brenda Dawe, program chair, has increased the value of our financial investment by using her expertise to create a vision of a modern and technically proficient performance space.”

With a vision of student-centered learning and success, the SUNY Broome Music and Theater Arts Department is committed to serving the needs of a diverse student population who want to turn their passion for music into an exciting and fulfilling career. “The new music rehearsal room will allow our excellent music faculty to fully prepare students for transfer to senior institutions in addition to concerts and performances both on and off-campus, said Micheal Kinney Ed.D. Associate Vice President and Dean of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies.” The room sends a strong message to the community that SUNY Broome is committed to offering its students a first-rate college experience.“



Watch the video to hear what faculty think about the new rehearsal space on campus!  
<https://youtu.be/ml4ZDb5QxrE>

# ART 226: a real world design experience

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Professor Rich Harrington will be teaching a section of ART 226: Advanced Computer Imagery for the Spring '21 semester. This three credit online course is a logical and important follow-up to ART 125: Introduction to Computer Graphics as students implement the knowledge and tools developed in this introductory course.

Students will be using Adobe CC including Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign (licensed through BCC) to create advertising and promotional materials within the context of a comprehensive branding program.

Harrington has worked for Jim Hensen's General Manager at Yoe! Design, Peekskill, Arnold Advertising, Hill Holiday Connors Cosmopolos, both in Boston and the partners of Pentagram Design, London. He takes his students through the rigorous process of brand development and implementation in the context of local businesses.

Students who have taken ART 226 have successfully sold their brand design to local businesses who have enthusiastically implemented a total rebranding of their businesses. It's an exciting opportunity for students to learn the process of working with clients, setting up a freelance business, procuring projects and billing.

The course is cross-listed with Communications as COM226.

[Art 226 Poster \(pdf\)Download](#)

Submitted by: Rich Harrington

# Bookstore Hours for the week of January 11th

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## **The Bookstore Hours for the Week of January 11th:**

Monday: 8:30 am – 12:00 pm (HALF DAY)

Tuesday: CLOSED

Wednesday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Submitted by: Campus Bookstore

# Creating Stepping Stones into a Career: The Center for Career Development looks back and ahead

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*Career Closet Opening*



“I know some students don’t have access to career resources or have someone that they can ask for help in their homes,” said Cindy Zheng, a SUNY Broome student. That’s why she — and many others — believes in the importance of the college providing valuable resources for students as they enter the workforce and for alumni who seek career advice or assistance with job hunting. Cindy adds, “I know that [the college’s career support] is tremendously helpful for students. With a career coach’s experiences and knowledge, they will steer us students in the right direction.”

SUNY Broome launched The Applied Learning and Career Center (ALCC), as it was called then, in the fall of 2016 to aid student and alumni job seekers. Originally, they offered resume creation and development, interview coaching, mock interviews and job search assistance.

The next spring, the ALCC welcomed the campus into its renovated space in Applied Technologies Building Room 101 and showed off their new computer and printer set-ups where job seekers could develop and print newly perfected resumes.



*Career Closet Opening*

When the ALCC staff noticed students struggling to get the right professional attire for interviews, SUNY Broome Vice President of Student Development and Chief Diversity Carol Ross-Scott secured funding to address the need in Feb. 2019. The Career Closet provides free professional clothing, shoes and accessories to students for career fairs, job interviews and internships. “As a community college, it’s part of our mission to meet people at their need,” said SUNY Broome President Kevin E. Drumm at the time.

“Whether you already know what your dream career is or have no idea what shape the future will take, the Center for Career Development is for you,” said Vice President of Academic Affairs Penny Haynes during an interview about ALCC changing its name to the Center for Career Development last year.

Along with the name change came a broadened spectrum of services. In addition to meeting with a career coach to prepare for a career, students and alumni now had the option to meet with a career

and transfer counselor to explore various career paths or plan for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. More recently, the Center has added more online appointments, virtual workshops and other offerings and started a weekly Job Opportunities Newsletter for alumni and student job seekers.

Another change to the Center is the addition of Valerie Carnegie, who has accepted the position of the Chair of Career and Transfer Services. “I have been helping students plan for transfer, but now I also have the opportunity to help them prepare for entering the workforce,” she reflected. “I’m glad that the college offers transfer and career assistance so they can be successful on either path.”

Student Cindy Zheng is also grateful for the Center’s flexibility. Not only did they help her with job searching and planning for interviews, but they also answered her questions about applying for transfer to a university. She says, “The Center for Career Development helped me in many ways preparing for the next step in my life during and after at SUNY Broome...I just like that no matter what position you’re in and what questions you may have someone is readily available to help you and guide you in the right direction.”



*Career Closet*

Cindy particularly found her career coach to be extremely helpful by answering her questions and sharing employment opportunities with her. She says that, during an appointment with her career coach, “she walked me through step by step on editing my resume in the most efficient way possible.”

“Thank you to SUNY Broome for providing a place like the Center for Career Development on campus [so] students can get support on their career readiness and improve on their professional skill development,” Cindy said. She recommends that students take advantage of their services and contact the Center because it can be very “beneficial to one’s growth and success.”

There are many students and alumni who have been assisted through the Center in its over four years of operation. Despite a name change and a year of “going virtual”, the Center’s mission remains the same – assisting and guiding students and alumni along their career journey.



*LinkedIn Lab*



*CJES Career Preparedness Expo*

# Scrapes needs a home

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My Name is *Scrapes*

I'm less than a year old and am as loving as I am cute.

I've had my shots, potty trained and am scheduled for neutering on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

I need a home, not because I am unwanted.

My parents will share if you are interested in learning more about me.

Call them...Derek Scott at +1 (202) 355-2941 or Carol Scott at +1 (954) 643-5906

Submitted by: Carol Ross-Scott

# SUNY Broome Update on Spring 2021 Sports

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SUNY Broome Community College is planning to offer the sports of Baseball, Esports, Softball, and Tennis for the spring of 2021. The decision to move forward with low risk and traditional spring sports is being made with the understanding that the health and safety of our student-athletes and staff are our first priority. SUNY Broome will work with the Broome County Department of Health and NJCAA Region III to ensure we are moving forward with proper health and safety protocols in place, and these plans have the potential to change.

The traditional fall and winter sports of Basketball, Cheerleading, Soccer, and Volleyball will not practice in the spring of 2021.

The NJCAA SUNY Community Colleges' statement regarding spring sports follows:

SUNY Community Colleges, that are members of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA), have continued collaborative efforts to assess and plan for what we hope will be the safe resumption of spring sports, including traditional fall sports that have been moved to spring, per NJCAA 2021 Sports Guidelines.

Campuses will have the option to either cancel intercollegiate athletics, sponsor Return to Play/Practice (RTP) or Return to Competition (RTC) Plans. RTP Plans offer the option to hold on-campus workouts and training with student-athletes, in a structured and monitored environment, without engaging in competition. Detailed, sport specific RTC Guides have been developed, and while there will be autonomy on each campus for health and safety policies, SUNY CCs will adopt RTC requirements that each member institution will be expected to follow in order to compete. RTC Guides were informed by governing athletic associations, and made to be consistent with CDC, NYS Guidelines, SUNY and local DOH, and institutional recommendations and protocols.

Each institution's RTP and/or RTC Plans are dependent on local COVID-19 data, being able to safely resume operations and being approved by their respective local DOH. NJCAA SUNY Community College decisions will continue to be guided by best practice and cautious adherence to health and safety protocols intended to safeguard the well-being of our student-athletes, staff, campuses, and communities. We commit to ongoing collaborative efforts in support of our student-athletes.

Submitted by: Brett Carter

# Want to Improve your Communication Skills and Explore the World of Acting and Entertainment?

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If you would like to improve your self-confidence, overcome fears about being in front of groups or just have fun working with your own personal presence, your voice, then why not enroll in **Introduction to Acting class, THR 111R01**.

Years ago it was opened up to students from all disciplines and many from Nursing, Business, Criminal Justice, Art, Engineering, etc. have taken the class and greatly benefited. Their testimonials expressed how the class helped them enhance the use of their voice, eyes and personal expressiveness and poise.

Let's face it, using our voices, eyes, focus, concentration etc. are communication skills that we need in every walk of life, every job and every human interaction. This class will give you practice at those skills in a comfortable, fun, supportive and collaborative environment. It can benefit any student in any discipline.

This class does not meet on campus and all class meetings are in person online 1:00 pm to 2:15 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## **REGISTER TODAY!**

For more information please contact Associate Professor of Theater Katherine Bacon at [baconkm@sunybroome.edu](mailto:baconkm@sunybroome.edu) or leave a message at +1 (607) 778-5191

Submitted by: Katherine Bacon

# From the Desk of President Drumm: Faculty/Staff Assembly to be held Jan. 21 via Zoom

January 13, 2021  
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Dear SUNY Broome Community,

Hard to believe that my 11<sup>th</sup> year with you is ending. I hope winter break provided you an opportunity for some rest and also some fun time with your family and friends, albeit probably in much smaller numbers than usual. What a fall and January it has been...! Who thought it could get that much worse either in Washington or for COVID. Wow!!!

As for more normal business (if not the venue), I hope you are looking forward to our Spring Faculty/Staff Assembly on Zoom, **Thursday the 21st**. We have few occasions to gather with nearly our entire academic community, so it's an important occasion when we do.

This bi-annual tradition will also give me an opportunity to personally thank you for providing the excellent education for which SUNY Broome is so widely known. 2021 will be another extraordinary year for us to keep it up, but hopefully bringing some relief in the fall as vaccine density increases until then and beyond.

The day will begin at **8:30 a.m. with our traditional retrospective video**, followed by an abbreviated schedule of speakers which will be widely shared shortly. The Zoom link will be distributed to the campus via campus-wide email, but you can also find the link in the attached document.

Again, I look forward to seeing you on January 21st and best wishes in advance for a successful (but certainly wild once again) Spring 2021 Semester.



Kevin E Drumm, PhD

President

SUNY Broome Community College

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# Meet the Counselors

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Pop onto ZOOM for a Meet and Greet with the Counseling Services Team  
Topic: Meet the Counselors Spring 2021  
Date: January 28, 2021

Time: 11:00 am  
Online: via Zoom

You may be struggling with some issues, you may want some tips on wellness, you may simply be curious as to who we are. Join us for an informal open Zoom to meet us, ask us questions and see what Counseling is all about.

[Meet the Counselors Spring 2021 Flier \(pdf\)Download](#)

# SUNY Broome to Serve as COVID-19 Vaccination Site

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SUNY Broome is proud to announce that the campus Ice Center will serve as a Broome County mass vaccination site. The announcement was made by County Executive Jason Garnar in a press conference held on January 14, 2021.

The site will be operational starting next week and will be prepared to distribute just 500 doses a day to county residents. The number of doses distributed at this site will be contingent upon how many doses the County receives from the state, which will depend on the number of doses the state receives from the federal government.

County Executive Garnar thanked President Drumm and SUNY Broome for this critical partnership. “Just the latest example of SUNY Broome being a great partner with Broome County. We’re going to be saving lives. There’s been a lot of things that the Community College has done to help people in our community – this is probably the best thing it has done to date”, stated Garnar

“We’re so pleased that we’re able to help out in this way. We’re thrilled that our Ice Center is going to be used for such a great purpose”, said SUNY Broome President Kevin Drumm. Drumm went on to say that the Ice Center is the perfect location for this site due to its air circulation system, size, accessibility, and parking. He said he is proud that the Ice Center will be used to help save lives.

Watch the full press conference here



SUNY Chancellor Jim Malatras also recognized SUNY Broome in serving as a vaccination center:

“As New York State and local officials continue to prepare to vaccinate more individuals, our SUNY campuses are making resources available—they know all too well the stakes are high and they are eagerly raising their hands to help. Broome Community College today is joining the effort, offering up the usage of their vast campus Ice Center to ensure the county and public health officials have ample space to smoothly start vaccinations for the community. I thank Broome Community College’s leadership and Broome County officials for their great teamwork in our fight against this virus.”

For more information on the vaccine and the vaccination site, please visit: <https://www.gobroomecounty.com/hd/coronavirus/vaccine>

# Are You A Single Parent Trying To Juggle Parenthood And College?

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If so, we have exciting news for you! We have a program right here on campus called the Family Empowerment Program that can provide you with an abundance of support. Not only will this program offer you support academically, socially, and mentally but this program offers help financially as well. You will have a support specialist who will get to know your specific needs, concerns, and answer your questions. You will also be able to connect with other single parents students on campus. One of the biggest obstacles as a Single-Parent student is not having someone available to watch your child or children while you have to attend school. This program may be able to offer financial support for childcare at the BC Center (based on childcare availability).

If this sounds like something that you would be interested in, please contact Gabrielle Cina at [Cinagm@sunybroome.edu](mailto:Cinagm@sunybroome.edu) or Danielle Tierno at [Tiernodb@sunybroome.edu](mailto:Tiernodb@sunybroome.edu).

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Submitted by: Danielle Tierno

# County Vaccination Site At SUNY Broome

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The SUNY Broome Ice Center will be serving as a Broome County COVID-19 vaccination site. Broome County is coordinating this effort completely and SUNY Broome's involvement is serving as a location ONLY.

For more information,  
please visit the Broome County COVID-19 Vaccine webpage [here](#).

# 2021 IRS Standard Mileage Rate

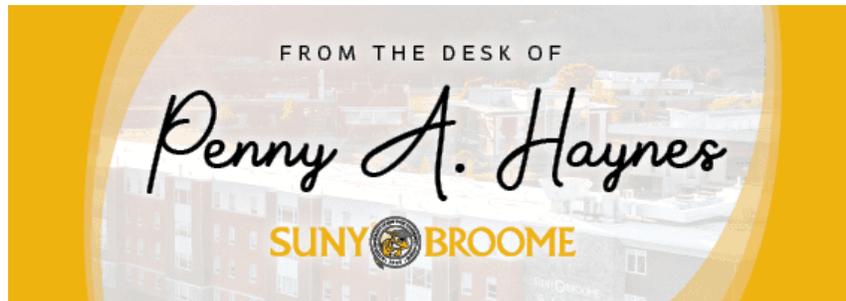
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Effective January 1, 2021 the IRS standard mileage rate for reimbursement will be **\$.56 per mile**.  
Submitted by: SUNY Broome Finance Office

# From the Desk of Vice President Haynes: Welcome Back, Spring 2021

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Colleagues,

I hope you enjoyed some time to relax during the break. As expected, the virus has continued to dominate our thinking and has shaped our plans. It is encouraging to know that there is a bright spot with more people receiving the vaccine, which provides hope and encouragement for the near future.

Many of you shared success stories during the Fall semester and several shared inspiring stories after the semester ended. It is with these in mind, that we planned the Spring 2021 Faculty Staff Assembly. We will hear from some of your colleagues who will provide examples of engaging and innovative teaching methods that they have used during these challenging times.

The Faculty Staff Assembly will be a virtual event beginning on Thursday, January 21 at 8:30 a.m. As always, we will introduce new faces at SUNY Broome and recognize personnel changes that have occurred. We will hear remarks from Dr. Drumm and brief updates from a few others. I am particularly excited to hear from our faculty and from our own student vocalist. A zoom link will be available prior to the event.

As you know, the semester will begin a little differently with only a limited number of course sections holding face-to-face meetings prior to February 1. These SUNY approved sections can be located here: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Dc1qxGe0Rk\\_j7M5ISf-Gr0GUiPNBNRlms1wbcrc4ZQ/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Dc1qxGe0Rk_j7M5ISf-Gr0GUiPNBNRlms1wbcrc4ZQ/edit#gid=0)

After the first week of classes, we will hold classes in the format listed on our previously approved schedule. Although we have notified students, please feel free to reach out to your students to provide them a reminder as well. Our students have shown great resilience as we've had to adjust our classes at a moment's notice throughout the last 10 months.

In order to ensure we keep our campus as safe as possible, we will be requiring students to utilize the Campus Clear app **prior** to coming on campus each day. Many of you have already been requiring students to show their campus clear approval (the green smiley face) prior to entering your class. This is an excellent way to keep our campus safe. Our Emergency Operations Team has already notified students of this requirement, but any reinforcement from our faculty and staff will help in this effort. Please remind students either by adding it to your syllabus or announcing it, and by providing ongoing reminders. By continuing to work together, we will reinforce safety on our campus for all.

We have some very exciting activities taking place this semester, as well. Our Middle States Self-Study team, with support and input from our entire college, has been working hard to develop a self-study draft that examines who we are as a college and how we can capitalize on our success to further improve what we do. Our team visit will take place (virtually) on March 29-31, 2021. This is a great opportunity for the college. The dedication from all of you is so clearly evident in the self-study and it is something that we can all be very proud of.

We are learning a great deal about how to support students in different formats, how to improve communication at all levels, and how to unite in a time of challenge. We will be introducing a new app for students, CircleIn, which will allow students to support each other in their courses. Learn more about the app.

We have learned so much from the experience this last year and are becoming stronger as a result. I am looking forward to seeing you next week. I wish you a successful semester and a hopeful 2021.

Sincerely,

Penny A. Haynes, Ed.D.  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

# Daily COVID-19 Self-Screening

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SUNY Broome has a **daily self-screening process for all employees and students to complete before coming to campus**. Per SUNY mandate, all employees and students are required to complete a daily self-screening for two weeks prior to returning to campus. The College will continue to use CampusClear for daily self-screenings. The CampusClear app will send a reminder to complete the screening every morning.

If you do not already have CampusClear, please visit the following website to learn more: <http://www3.sunybroome.edu/back/campusclear/>

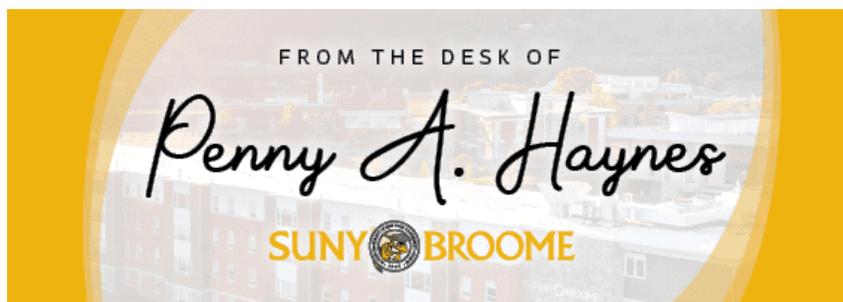
**Competitive Health Science Programs:** Students and employees in Competitive Health Science Programs will be receiving additional guidance and instructions for screening.

**Students and employees conducting self-screenings each day before coming to campus** will help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and reduce the potential risk of exposure.

**Questions?** Please email: [campusclear@sunybroome.edu](mailto:campusclear@sunybroome.edu)

# From the Desk of Vice President Haynes: Welcome to Spring 2021

January 15, 2021  
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Dear Students,

We look forward to welcoming you back to SUNY Broome for the spring semester. If you are new to SUNY Broome, we are excited to have you join us for Spring 2021. Our semester officially begins with the first day of classes on Monday, January 25, although the first week will be almost exclusively remote. If your class will meet on campus during the week of January 25, it will be listed in the Spring 2021 In-Person Class List.

Beginning on Monday, February 1, your classes will be held as they were listed on the schedule. Most classes, approximately 70% will be held in a remote format, either synchronously (classes will meet at scheduled times) or asynchronously (classes will not have scheduled meeting times). Your remote classes can be accessed through Blackboard. All of our student support services remain open and available to you. For your safety, they will be offered with remote delivery options. New to SUNY Broome will be an app, CircleIn, that you can use to connect with your classmates to discuss your coursework and to support each other. You will not only have the ability to work with each other, but also have the opportunity to earn points and gift cards. More information about the app and how to use it will follow as we get closer to the start of the semester.

We had a successful Fall 2020 semester and are very proud to have very few positive COVID cases reported. We continue to focus on your safety and ask that you, too, continue to practice the safety protocols that we have developed for social distancing, masks at all times, and frequent testing. In addition, SUNY Broome has a **daily self-screening process for all employees and students to complete before coming to campus**. Per SUNY mandate, all employees and students are required to complete a daily self-screening for two weeks prior to returning to campus. The College will continue to use CampusClear for daily self-screenings. The CampusClear app will send a reminder to complete the screening every morning. If you do not already have CampusClear, please visit our CampusClear Screening Instructions Website.

We are looking forward to a great semester. Our faculty have been preparing their courses and have developed some exceptional experiences for you. Take advantage of all that we have to offer and get one step closer to your degree. Looking forward to “seeing” you on January 25th!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Penny A. Haynes". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the typed name.

Penny Haynes  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

# Welcome Back

January 15, 2021  
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The bookstore will be closed to foot traffic between January 25, 2021 and February 5, 2021 to help with social distancing. All purchases must be made through our online store at [sunybroomeshop.com](http://sunybroomeshop.com). You can still choose to have your order shipped directly to your home or pick up at the West Gym in the student center.

If you have any questions please call us at +1 (607) 724-0696 and we will help you as soon as we can.

# SUNY Cortland Transfer Mobility Advisor – Available for Virtual Appointments

January 15, 2021

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SUNY Cortland has partnered with SUNY Broome to create a clear transfer path for students.

Transfer Mobility Advisor, Zachary Wilson, will be available for online appointments to serve as a resource for students who are interested in transferring to SUNY Cortland.

Appointments can contain but are not limited to: Overview of SUNY Cortland, Major and career exploration, How to apply to SUNY Cortland and requirements for the application and majors on campus, Course recommendations for upcoming semesters to prepare for transfer, Evaluation of transfer credits, as well as AP/IB/CLEP evaluations, Transfer policies at SUNY Cortland, Academic concerns, Connection to campus resources and other areas of interest at SUNY Cortland.

To request an appointment, please fill out SUNY Cortland Transfer Path Appointments.

# Calling All Eligible Students, Faculty, and Staff: Become a vaccinator!

January 15, 2021  
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New York State is encouraging eligible New Yorkers to take the required trainings to become vaccinators and support the State's COVID-19 vaccination program.

Governor Cuomo signed an Executive Order expanding the eligible pool of trainees who can administer vaccinations at a "POD site" (flexible vaccination sites that can be set up in any community) pursuant to a non-patient specific order provided they first receive training. These include:

Licensed practical nurses (LPNs)

Pharmacists who are not certified to administer immunizations by SED

Midwives who are not certified to administer immunizations by SED

Dentists

Dental hygienists\*

Podiatrists

Emergency Medical Technicians

Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians

Students in eligible education programs (medicine, nursing, PA, pharmacy, dentistry, podiatry, and midwifery)

\*Must have been issued a dental hygiene restricted local infiltration anesthesia/nitrous oxide analgesia certificate

Check out the full details at NY Covid-19 Vaccination Training!

Submitted by: Student Health Services

# Have a guitar? Want an excuse to get a guitar?

January 19, 2021  
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## **Beginning Guitar: MUS185-Y01 (catalog number 54393)**

- Engage with course materials at the time of day (or night!) that is best for you.
- Learn from your choice of location, without winter commutes

If you need to take a course, you might as well have fun with it!

Combining 36 years of private instruction with the academic standards of the SUNY system, MUS185-Y01 is now in its 6th year of being offered. It bears the distinction of being the first online musical instrument course across the entire SUNY system.

Guitarists from across the state- and of various playing levels- have used my course as a way to begin guitar, revisit fundamentals, improve their OWN teaching, or as a way to become comfortable with remote learning.

Over the semester, our journey will use examples from a variety of musical styles to cover the foundations all guitarists should be comfortable with- chords, rhythm, scales, popular progressions, pick technique, and fingerstyle technique. On top of that, the course is designed to help EVERYONE become more comfortable with the online learning environment.

## **Register now!**

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the course creator/ instructor at [beckerrk@sunybroome.edu](mailto:beckerrk@sunybroome.edu)

**Beginning Guitar: MUS185-Y01** (pdf)Download

Submitted by: Robert Becker

# SBFA Spring Welcome Back Meeting

January 19, 2021  
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Hello all!

The SBFA Welcome Back meeting for Spring 2021 will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 11:00 am.

All SBFA members should have been sent a zoom link to their email. If you have not received that email, some members have mentioned that the SBFA emails have been going to their Spam Folders.

If you still need the "Welcome Back" link or have any questions about membership to the SBFA please contact us at: [SBFA@sunybroome.edu](mailto:SBFA@sunybroome.edu) to get that link and to make sure we have you on our lists.

Submitted by: SBFA

# ART 226: Graphic Design from the cities to the Community College

January 20, 2021  
Buzz,HiveHQ



Professor Rich Harrington will be teaching a section of ART 226: Advanced Computer Imagery for the Spring '21 semester. This three credit online course is a stand-alone course or a logical and important follow-up to ART 125: Introduction to Computer Graphics as students implement the knowledge and tools developed in this introductory course.

Harrington has worked for Cartoon Network, Mattel, A&E Home Video, The Discovery Channel and Telebrands as a designer at Yoe! Design, Peekskill, NY. He has also worked for Arnold Advertising, Hill Holiday Connors Cosmopolos, WNEV-TV (CBS affiliate) all in Boston and the partners of Pentagram Design, London. He takes his students through the rigorous but exciting process of brand development and implementation in the context of local businesses.

Students who have taken ART 226 have successfully sold their brand design to local businesses who have enthusiastically implemented a total rebranding program. It's an exciting opportunity for students to learn the creative process of a multi-faceted series of projects, working with clients, and the aspects of setting up a freelance business, securing projects and billing clients.

The course is cross-listed with Communications as COM226.

[ART 226 \(pdf\)Download](#)

[ART 226 Rebrand LogosDownload](#)

Submitted by: Rich Harrington

# Academic Reinstatement

January 20, 2021  
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In order to be in good academic standing, and to be making academic progress toward a degree or certificate, a student must meet a minimum cumulative grade point average and successfully accumulate credits according to the standards outlined in the SUNY Broome catalog. View the standards for academic progress.

If a student has been dismissed, they need to submit an academic appeal to apply for reinstatement. Students should be directed to the Academic Appeals website and to Maureen Breck for additional information at [breckmk@sunybroome.edu](mailto:breckmk@sunybroome.edu) or +1 (607) 778-5648.

Submitted by: Maureen Breck

# Attention Students: Virtual Drop-In Hours for Remote Learning Needs

January 20, 2021

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 An image of a finger on an ipad

Student- If you are having trouble accessing your course materials, or if you need assistance navigating any of your student web tools, we encourage you to drop-in to our Virtual Student Help Room.

We are ready to assist you to ensure a successful start to your semester!

Visit Tech Talk: Drop-in Hours for more information including drop-in hours and links to join.

Submitted by: Maureen Breck

# Jan. 21: Spring 2021 Faculty/Staff Assembly on Zoom

January 20, 2021  
HiveHQ

The Spring 2021 Faculty/Staff Assembly will be held **Thursday, January 21 at 8:30 a.m.** The event will be held in a virtual format via Zoom and can be accessed here:

- **Zoom Link:** <https://zoom.us/j/94283209018>
- **By Phone:** +16468769923
- **Webinar ID:** 942 8320 9018

If you're not able to tune in, a link to a recording of the event will be sent out campus-wide and posted in the Focus.

**Below is the agenda for the event:**

- **Welcome & Updates** – Dr. Haynes, Vice President for Academic Affairs
- **President's Address** – Dr. Drumm
- **Academic Affairs Division** – Dr. Penny Haynes
- **Student Affairs Division** – Dr. Carol Ross-Scott, Vice President for Student Development & Chief Diversity Officer
- **Facilities Update** – David Ligeikis, P.E., Director of Facilities Management
- **The Foundation** – Cathy Williams, Executive Director of the BCC Foundation
- **Presentation by faculty on the SERHA Project** – Sandy Wright (Business Information Technology), Maria Bajwa (Nursing), Erin O'Hara-Leslie (Medical Assisting & Health Studies), Holly Jones (Health Information Technology)
- **Presentation by faculty from the Communications & Media Arts Department** – Tim Skinner, Chris Keaty, Scott Sasina
- **Update on the CircleIn App**
- **Closing Remarks** – Dr. Haynes
- **Student Vocal Performance** – Madyson Fedoris

# First Day of Spring 2021 Begins Jan. 25

January 20, 2021  
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## Welcome to the Spring 2021 Semester!

The Spring 2021 semester at SUNY Broome begins on Monday, January 25, 2021. **All classes, with the exception of clinicals and required labs, will be held remotely for the first week.** If a class will meet on campus during the week of January 25, it will be listed in the Spring 2021 In-Person Class List. **Starting Monday, February 1, classes will be held as they are scheduled for the semester.**

The spring semester consists of 22% in-person classes and 78% online classes (47% asynchronous, 16% synchronous and 15% blended/hybrid).

# You're invited to "Biology Fieldtrips" – a virtual alumni event!

January 21, 2021  
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Has the pandemic got you “Bogged Down?” You can still visit one — virtually!

On Feb. 4 at 7:00 pm, join Dr. Rick Firenze, retired SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor, and filmmaker Nick Venuti (LACM '17) in viewing and discussing a filmed compilation of five fascinating SUNY Broome Biology Department field trips.

For members of the biology department, field trips are an integral component of several of the courses they offer. Perhaps, if you are an alumnus, you recall going on one. The biology faculty-members were not going to let the pandemic stop their students from these wonderful and unique educational experiences. So with generous support from the BCC Foundation, they hired filmmaker Nick Venuti to record five field trips to venues ranging from a glacial bog to our local landfill.

The presentation will be followed by a Q&A with Nick and Dr. Firenze. This free event is open to alumni, college faculty and employees, students and non-alumni guests. However, pre-registration is required.

Submitted by: BCC Foundation

# Toastmasters Fundraiser for Campus Food Pantry

January 21, 2021  
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## **SUNY Broome Toastmasters Club and donors teamed up to raise nearly \$1,400 for the SUNY Broome Student Food Pantry**

Inspired by being given gifts of pizza for the SUNY Broome Toastmasters Club speech contests, the club decided to pay it forward and began raising funds to support their food-insecure fellow students. The Speakers of the House, the SUNY Broome Toastmasters Club, has stayed active via Zoom since March 2020. Students, faculty and staff, and community members have participated, along with guest speakers who have visited from the Midwest and from Mexico. Students enrolled in Effective Speaking classes have visited the club to expand their skills and sometimes to make up missed classes.

At the end of each semester, the club has always hosted a traditional Speech Contest and Pizza Party...in 2020, it did so with a twist. Domino's Pizza generously delivered complimentary pizzas to participants just as the contests were about to begin. Participants outside our local Domino's delivery area purchased their own pizzas and were reimbursed by Student Activities. Prizes were underwritten by Student Activities and the Office of the College President.

During Fall 2020, the club decided to pay this generosity forward. Working with Student Activities, the FSA and the BCC Foundation, and with the help of two anonymous matching donors, the club raised nearly \$1,400 for the SUNY Broome Student Food Pantry, which is managed by the SUNY Broome Student Assembly.

Food insecurity has long affected college students, in particular community college students. According to *Inside Higher Ed*, in a Fall 2020 survey, "Nearly one-third of students said they have experienced food insecurity since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic, and ...Thirty-two percent of students surveyed reported they had been laid off due to the pandemic."

To donate to the SUNY Broome Food Pantry, please go to SUNY Broome Donate Now where individuals can make tax-deductible credit card donations. Add a comment that the gift is for the SUNY Broome Food Pantry.

If you are a student in need of assistance from our Food Pantry, please contact Danielle Tierno, Student Assembly advisor at [tiernodb@sunybroome.edu](mailto:tiernodb@sunybroome.edu).

If you are interested in improving your public speaking skills in a fun and supportive environment, visit our Toastmasters Club. We meet most Fridays at 3:00 pm. Reach out to Kathleen McKenna at [mckennakm@sunybroome.edu](mailto:mckennakm@sunybroome.edu) to ask for the Zoom link.

Submitted by: Kathleen McKenna on behalf of the Speakers of the House Toastmasters Club

# Counseling Services – Ready to Help YOU!

January 21, 2021  
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Counseling Services | SUNY Broome  
[https://youtube.com/watch?v=\\_\\_2Lyijp1Qo](https://youtube.com/watch?v=__2Lyijp1Qo)



## **Welcome to SUNY Broome.**

Counseling Services is available. We continue to hold virtual computer and phone sessions. If you are in need of some extra support this semester, please reach out. We are here for you.

We look forward to hearing from you.

~The Counseling Services Department

# Video: Spring 2021 Faculty/Staff Assembly

January 21, 2021  
HiveHQ

If you were unable to attend the Spring 2021 Faculty/Staff Assembly via Zoom, a recording of the event is available on the SUNY Broome YouTube Channel:

**Spring 2021 Faculty/Staff Assembly | SUNY Broome**  
[https://youtube.com/watch?v=R5QFVN\\_UWao](https://youtube.com/watch?v=R5QFVN_UWao)



# Educate, Enroll, Empower: The Southern Tier Independence Center of Binghamton, NY

January 22, 2021  
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Are you a student? Did you know that enrolling in your own low or no-cost insurance plan will save both you or your parents a lot of money?

We offer FREE health insurance navigation services via phone to guide you and all eligible family members in choosing the perfect plan that suits all your needs.

Are you over 65, certified blind or certified disabled? We offer FREE facilitated enrollment services for Medicare, Medicaid and the Medicare savings Program.

The Southern Tier Independence center is a local non-profit agency that does not sell insurance. Our enrollers and navigators are unbiased, friendly and knowledgeable.

For health insurance navigation in Broome County, contact Michelle O'Hare at +1 (607) 644-4461 or Theresa Askew at +1 (607) 724-2111 ext. 353.

For enrollment in Medicare and Medicaid for anyone over 65, certified blind or certified disabled in Broome County contact Brittany Carey at +1 (607) 724-2111 ext 396 or Angela Weiss at +1 (607) 724-2111 ext 397.

For either of these services in Tioga County, contact Patricia Lanzo at +1 (607) 644-6406.

If you have any questions about these services or require further assistance, please contact Matthew Requa, Community Outreach and Engagement Specialist for the Southern Tier Independence Center at +1 (607) 724-2111 ext 398

# Spring 2021 Library Hours

January 22, 2021  
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The SUNY Broome Library will reopen to students and staff on Monday, 2/1/2021. At that time, the building hours will be:

- Monday-Thursday, 7:30 am – 6:00 pm
- Friday, 7:30 am – 4:00 pm

Please wear a mask and present your SUNY Broome ID for scanning when you enter and exit the building.

Computers and work spaces on the first floor are spaced appropriately for social distancing, and the second floor remains closed unless you have reserved a study room.

Submitted by: Erin Wilburn

# College Assembly meets January 25th

January 22, 2021  
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College Assembly will meet:

Date: Monday, January 25, 2021

Time: 3:00 pm

Online: via Zoom

The agenda is attached.

All shared governance meetings are open to the campus community. For more information please visit Shared Governance.

[College Assembly Agenda 1/25/2021 \(pdf\)Download](#)

Submitted by: Penny DeFavero

# Blood Drive Tuesday January 26!

January 22, 2021  
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**Make a difference in your community today! Donate Blood!**

**Where:** Taste New York Building at 840 Upper Front Street, Binghamton NY 13905

**Date:** Tuesday, January 26, 2021

**Time:** 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

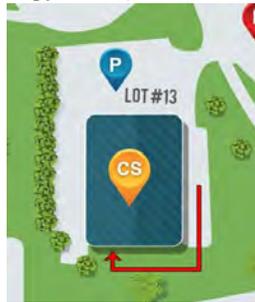
Check the Red Cross website for this scheduled blood drive!

# Copy Center Relocation

January 24, 2021  
HiveHQ



The Copy Center has been relocated to a new space in the Campus Services Building. The space has a new entrance and can be accessed from the outside of the building (there is no interior entrance to the Copy Center). Please reference the attached map for directions.



# Help us spread the word about Scholarships, Faculty and Staff!

January 26, 2021  
HiveHQ



Dear Faculty & Staff,

Welcome back and best wishes on the beginning of a new semester.

The SUNY Broome scholarship application is now open and we need your help in getting the word out to our students. Thanks to the generosity of many donors, we are able to offer a wide variety of scholarships to our students!

As the semester begins and your students are settling in, we ask you to encourage them to complete the application. The deadline to apply is March 18, 2021 for continuing students. Please direct them to the online application which can be found at: [sunybroome.awardspring.com](http://sunybroome.awardspring.com). If they need guidance or have further questions, they are welcome to contact us.

Additionally, we would be happy to virtually visit classes to provide information for your students or provide you with an image or text to promote scholarships. Please just let us know!

Thank you for your help and do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

BCC Foundation

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Submitted by: BCC Foundation

# Nimmonsburg Rotary Scholarship for Chenango Valley & Chenango Forks Residents

January 26, 2021  
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Nimmonsburg Rotary



Nimmonsburg Rotary

The Nimmonsburg Rotary is pleased to announce the Dr. Robert W. Smith Memorial Foundation Scholarship for students (of any age) who are residents of the Chenango Valley or Chenango Forks school districts who are planning to enroll in college for the 2021-2022 academic year, whether at SUNY Broome, attending or transferring to a four-year institution.

Please see the application attached to review the application materials required, criteria and contact information.

The application is due April 15, 2021 by mailing your materials to the address listed in the scholarship application.

Please contact Andrea Roma, Secretary to the Dr. Robert W. Smith Foundation for further information or if you have questions about this scholarship at [roma.nimm.rotary@gmail.com](mailto:roma.nimm.rotary@gmail.com).

For information about Financial Aid at SUNY Broome please contact [finaid@sunybroome.edu](mailto:finaid@sunybroome.edu).

This scholarship is not affiliated with those facilitated by the Broome Community College Foundation, Inc.

[Dr. Robert E. Smith Foundation Nimmonsburg Rotary Scholarship Application \(pdf\)Download](#)

Submitted by: Andrea Roma on behalf of the Nimmonsburg Rotary

# The Council for Academic Issues meets January 27th

January 26, 2021  
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The Council for Academic Issues will meet:

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021

Time: 3:00 pm

Online: via Zoom

The meeting agenda is attached.

All shared governance meetings are open to the campus community.

For more information on CAI and shared governance, please visit Shared Governance.

[Council for Academic Issues Agenda 1-27-2021 \(pdf\)Download](#)

Submitted by: Penny DeFavero

# Information on Required COVID-19 Testing for Students

January 26, 2021  
HiveHQ



SUNY is requiring weekly COVID-19 pool testing of on-campus students (residents and commuters) on a weekly basis starting February 1, 2021. Students will receive information on scheduling testing appointments via their SUNY Broome email addresses.

Please help spread the word about this to your students, encourage them to check their SUNY Broome emails and follow testing guidelines. This is key in helping to keep our campus community safe. Thank you for your assistance!

**If you have any questions, please email [eoc@sunybroome.edu](mailto:eoc@sunybroome.edu).**

# New Addition to SUNY Broome Digital Repository

January 27, 2021  
HiveHQ



If you joined the Spring 2021 Faculty/Staff Assembly, you heard about SEHRA, the simulated electronic health records system developed by Sandra Wright from the BIT department in collaboration with the Health Sciences division. In order to make this project more widely available as a model other colleges might use, the Professor Wright has made it an open resource. It is being showcased in SUNY Broome's Digital Repository.

SUNY Broome's Digital Repository is a subsection of the SUNY Digital Repository which hosts and indexes collections from SUNY campuses, including scholarly and creative works of faculty, students and staff, and archival collections.

Anyone interested in SUNY Broome's repository is welcome to contact librarian Paul Bond ([bondph@sunybroome.edu](mailto:bondph@sunybroome.edu)) for further information.

# Make a Difference and Join Student Assembly this semester!!

January 27, 2021  
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## Join Student Assembly!

### 1 VP and 8 Senator positions are open for spring!

Represent your peers and discuss issues concerning campus life, review student-related campus policies, and serve on college committees charged with making recommendations to SUNY Broome's Administration.

Download your candidate packet by scanning the qr code or request a packet by emailing [StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu](mailto:StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu)

#### Election Timeline:

Now! Packets available.

2/12 – Packets due to the Student Activities Office by 5:00 pm (email to [StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu](mailto:StudentActivities@sunybroome.edu))

2/15 – Elections start – vote by logging into the Swarm

2/19 – Elections end – Winners announced in the afternoon

[Student Assembly Elections Flier \(png\)Download](#)

Submitted by: Sandra Stephens

# Cafe & Seating Area are Open!

January 27, 2021  
HiveHQ

## **The café is open and ready to serve you!**

Our hours of operation are:

- Monday through Friday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for lunch
- Monday through Friday, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm for dinner
- Saturday & Sunday from 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

Also, we just re-opened our seating area so you can enjoy your meal in the dining area or take your meal to go.

Employee combo pricing is still in effect for \$5.99 for an entrée, side, and fountain beverage or \$6.99 for an entrée, side, and bottled beverage.

For more details, you can visit our website at SUNY Broome Dining or by calling +1 (607) 778-5140.

We look forward to seeing you!

Submitted by: Tom Nunn

# Great Books Discussion, Spring 2021

January 28, 2021  
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## **Special Event!**

### **A Great Books Discussion**

This discussion will begin Friday, February 5, 2021 at 12 noon and continue each Friday at Noon through the semester, except for May 7.

The books that will be discussed during the Spring 2021 semester are Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie and Tenth of December, Stories by George Saunders. These books have earned acclaim as notable books in the 21st century.

For further information, contact Professor I.J. Byrnes at [byrnesij@sunybroome.edu](mailto:byrnesij@sunybroome.edu)

These sessions are online via Zoom.

Sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and the English Department

Submitted by: Professor I.J. Byrnes

# Convocation Day: Tuesday April 20, 2021

January 28, 2021  
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## **Featured Event**

### **Tuesday, April 20, 2021-Convocation Day**

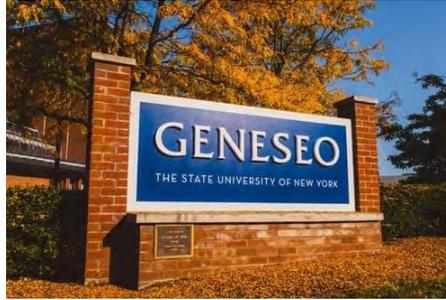
Join our 2021 Convocation Speaker, Dr. Bruce Monger from Cornell University, for a keynote address on the environment you will not forget: Climate Change: The Extraordinary Challenge This Generation is Called Upon to Solve.

Additional information will follow via campus media and announcements and is provided at SUNY Broome Convocation Day.

Submitted by: Campus-Wide Convocation Committee

# SUNY Geneseo Advisor in Residence (Remote)

January 28, 2021  
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## SUNY Geneseo Transfer AIR Days

SUNY Broome students interested in attending an Advisor in Residence Day with a SUNY Geneseo transfer counselor will have 4 opportunities to do so this semester.

February 8, 2021: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

March 8, 2021: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

April 9, 2021: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

May 12, 2021: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Sign ups at: SUNY Geneseo Transfer AIR day

To sign up, use the calendar on the bottom right-hand corner and select a desired date and time. You will then be prompted to fill out a quick registration form after which an admissions counselor will contact you.

Submitted by: Joe Spence

# SUNY Broome students nominated for All USA Scholarships

January 28, 2021  
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Each year, SUNY Broome and colleges across the nation are notified about the All USA/Coca-Cola/Phi Theta Kappa Scholarships competition that awards nearly \$500,000 in scholarships annually.

This year, two categories were up for nomination for the All USA Academic team: students preparing for the workforce in career technical majors and those preparing to transfer to the senior institution.

SUNY Broome is pleased to announce, we have nominated three outstanding members of our community:

**Jacqueline Colombo:** Nominated for Transfer scholarship. Jacqueline is majoring in Education, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She plans to transfer to Binghamton University for a Master's in Education. Her goal is to become an elementary school teacher.

**Makariv Yurkiv:** Nominated for Transfer scholarship, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa, this Engineering major plans to transfer to Binghamton University. Makariv hopes to work on nuclear fusion research at ITER.

**Motayuisha Kollock:** Nominated for Workforce scholarship, Motayuisha is currently majoring in business, management, marketing, administration and related support services. She plans to become an accountant after graduation, and one day opening her own salon.

We are pleased to nominate these talented students for the national competition! SUNY Broome is very proud of you. We wish you well.

Submitted by: Dr. Carol Ross-Scott

# Help Counseling Services Promote Healthy Relationships

January 29, 2021  
HiveHQ



One of Counseling Services programs for February is promoting Health Relationships.

Please join us in decorating doors or windows with positive message hearts.

If needed, call Laura at +1 (607) 778- 5210 or email her at [maurerll@sunybroome.edu](mailto:maurerll@sunybroome.edu) for a few colorful hearts for you to write your message on.

Thank you.

Valentines Day FlierDownload

Submitted by: Counseling Services

# How do you get considered for a SUNY Broome scholarship? Join us and find out!

January 29, 2021  
Buzz,HiveHQ



Do you want to learn how you can apply to the numerous SUNY Broome scholarships that are available?  
Get ready to fill out your application with confidence by attending a helpful Zoom presentation.  
Join scholarship administrators from the BCC Foundation at 11:00 am on Thursday, Feb. 4 on Zoom.  
Find out how you can become a candidate for one of the many scholarships offered by the college and its four academic divisions.  
Or, are you already feeling confident and ready to apply? Have no questions about scholarships? Get started on your application now!  
Submitted by: BCC Foundation

# Helping the Mentee Become the Mentor: Zolnoski Wins SUNY's Norman R. McConney Jr. Award for EOP Student Excellence

January 29, 2021  
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SUNY Broome student Bernard Zolnoski has a lot to celebrate. Not only is he the first person in his family to earn a college degree, but he has also just been awarded the prestigious Norman R. McConney Jr. Award for EOP Student Excellence.

The Norman R. McConney Jr. Award for EOP Student Excellence is awarded in memory of Norman R. McConney Jr., who, along with former Assembly Deputy Speaker Arthur O. Eve, helped to establish the Educational Opportunity Program. This honor recognizes the academic and personal achievements of outstanding EOP students across the SUNY system.

“I was honestly pretty shocked to hear that I was selected. I just wanted to make it through college in one piece. I am appreciative that people are actually acknowledging the fact that I’ve been working so hard throughout my college experience and am 100% honored to receive this award,” he said.

Zolnoski’s SUNY Broome story started in 2018. When it was time to decide where to go to college, Bernard sat down with his high school counselor and a map of the State of New York. He had some non-negotiables when it came to college hunting. He knew that he needed to go to an affordable community college, within the SUNY system, that had on-campus housing, and an EOP program. When SUNY Broome checked all of those boxes, Zolnoski knew that he had found the school with the best fit.

As a first generation college student, while Zolnoski’s family was supportive of his desire to go to college, they were not equipped to help him navigate the logistics of enrolling in and financing a college education. “I was willing to take all the help that I could possibly get and I knew that the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) would help me to achieve my goals,” he reflected.

SUNY Broome is one of forty-eight SUNY campuses that offer the Educational Opportunity Program. EOP provides supplemental academic, financial, and personal support throughout a student’s academic career.

Zolnoski is most appreciative for EOP’s mandatory, two-week, Summer Advancement Academy for all EOP freshmen. “We had full days of back to back classes and workshops on everything from understanding a schedule, to learning about how to best use your financial aid. I went from thinking that I had no idea what I was getting myself into – to this is possible,” he said.

While many students struggled in their first semester of college, Zolnoski thrived, greatly in part due to the student support services provided via EOP. He returned to the Summer Advancement Academy again in the Summer of 2020, but this time as an EOP mentor.

Zolnoski will remain an EOP student when he transfers to Buffalo State for the Spring 2021 semester to earn his bachelor’s degree in Social Work. He plans to couple his degree with his passion for mentoring at-risk youth and combating family homelessness. Zolnoski is also open to the idea of returning to his roots and remaining in the SUNY system, but as an employee, directing his own Educational Opportunity Program.

Learn about the Educational Opportunity Program at SUNY Broome.