



Office of the President

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Daemen College  
Students, Faculty and Staff

Dear Campus Community,

Welcome back to our students and best of luck for the start of the spring semester.

We are pleased to provide everyone with an update on our 2021 commencement ceremonies. As you all are well aware, the 2020 ceremonies were not what anyone had imagined, but, thanks to our talented creative team, we were able to deliver two special virtual ceremonies in lieu of our traditional in-person events at Kleinhans. While this was well-received given the circumstances, the overwhelming desire is to be able to offer in-person ceremonies this year to the students who have persevered to earn their degree.

Knowing that life will not be back to “normal” for quite some time still, we have devised a plan to allow for in-person celebrations of our graduating class of 2021. Last May, we were not prepared to conduct a traditional undergraduate and graduate ceremony, but since that time, Daemen has transformed policies and procedures to conduct safe, in-person events and experiences for students and families. We have the tools and the talent to do that and therefore, we will utilize those to offer our graduating students and their families an in-person graduation.

In order to accomplish in-person ceremonies we needed to re-

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