



## A Message from Our President

Cultural differences. Isolation. The fear that no one can relate to you.

This is a struggle that many of our students face today.

*An **inclusive** campus is a **diverse** campus.*

When I became the President of SUNY Erie Community College in 2017, I challenged the SUNY Erie community to push beyond its traditional boundaries and embrace the diversity of our evolving student population. To that end, we launched the *Hate Has No Home Here* platform across our campuses, so every student knows they are welcome here at SUNY Erie.

*Equity should be **valued** and **embraced** as part of our **culture**.*

Throughout the learning process, our college continues to engage in open dialogue about the meaning and importance of diversity, while identifying opportunities for inclusive excellence across the College. This is and will continue to be an active and ongoing process supported by the work of the SUNY Erie Diversity Academy.

It will take all of us ... our faculty and staff, our alumni, and our community members ... to ensure this plan is a success.

I encourage our campus community to continuously stand strong in our commitment to creating a welcoming, diverse and inclusive home for our students and each other.

Remember that ***we are SUNY Erie*** and ***Hate Has No Home Here***.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dan Hocoy  
President, SUNY Erie