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Message from the President

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Zachary Barbour, ’14

With the education that I have received from the nursing program at Elmira College I have been able to improve my leadership skills and develop a sense of community. I have gained experience with all aspects of nursing and, because of that experience, I am able to focus on where I want to practice nursing in the future.

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HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER NAMED GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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Partnerships

The new Health Sciences Center will enable the College to expand and refine its current partnerships with the following entities:

• Guthrie Health
• Arnot Health
• St. Joseph’s Hospital
• Elmira VA Outpatient Clinic
• The Bath VA Medical Center
• Schuyler Hospital
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• Local Community Centers

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with its innovative Health Sciences Center, a national leader in the delivery of health sciences education.

The state-of-the-art Health Sciences Center, with its innovative educational programs, will position Elmira College as a transformational leader in the delivery of health sciences education.
The new Health Sciences Center will enable the College to expand and refine its current partnerships with the following entities:

• Guthrie Health
• Arnot Health
• St. Joseph’s Hospital
• Elmira VA Outpatient Clinic
• The Bath VA Medical Center
• Elmira City School District
• Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM)
• Schuyler Hospital

This model of collaborative health care delivery will position the College as the premier health sciences education provider in the region, creating numerous opportunities for institutional and community engagement.

“As CEO of Guthrie Health, one of the largest providers of health care and employment in the Southern Tier of New York, this project is extremely important to me. Replenishing the nursing, and other health sciences fields, is critical to the success of our organization. And as health care is a cornerstone of the local and regional economy, it cannot use a greater need than to enhance the educational capabilities of our institutions of higher education.”

Joseph A. Scopelliti, M.D., President/CEO, Guthrie Health

The Elmira College Health Sciences Center’s clinical laboratories will feature state-of-the-art equipment that will provide students with a distinct technological edge as they study modern clinical practice and medicine.

Health Sciences Center Proposed Floor Plans