

## Office of the President

## Dear Quincy College Community,

Since 1994, students from around the world have studied and earned degrees and certificates at Quincy College. In and outside of the classroom, our international students have played a key role in fulfilling Quincy College's educational mission by strengthening our bonds to the global community.

As you may know, a recent communication from the Department of Homeland Security has increased the on-campus learning expectations of international students during COVID-19. According to guidelines, this fall, international students will not be permitted to enroll exclusively in online courses. This requirement is a departure from last spring's guidance that allowed international students to remain in the United States while taking courses online during the pandemic.

To our international students, I want to assure you in the strongest terms: you are valued members of the Quincy College community, and we are committed to your success. This fall, Quincy College is offering hybrid courses that will make it possible for you to study at Quincy College and remain in compliance. We are also working with academic affairs and enrollment management to increase the number of hybrid courses that align with your academic goals. We are confident that these actions will meet the requirements put forth by the Department of Homeland Security. Our International Admissions Associates Bilun Ozbilen (bozbilen@quincycollege.edu) and Nichelle Orel (norel@quincycollege.edu) are available now to answer questions and help you register.

I am personally grateful to the entire Quincy College community—our faculty and staff—who share a commitment to every student, every day. We need each other more than ever, and I am proud to be part of an institution such as Quincy College that places students in the center of what we do.

Sincerely,

Richard DeCristofaro, Ed.D.

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