

Deliberately choosing mission over familiarity of practice for more than 10 years

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WHO WE ARE:

We are a diverse collection of Upstate New York institutions of higher learning – large and small, public, private and community colleges – who put the success of our students at the top of our priorities. UNYCC members collaborate in academic and student success programming, advancement, finance, as well as administrative infrastructure and services to make the educational experience more meaningful for students at all our campuses.

WHAT WE BELIEVE:

Our diverse group of colleges and universities across Upstate NY believe that a successful student is the primary goal for each of us and that collaboration surpasses competition. We share technology, human resources, and even academic programming to make operations easier and more efficient for us and quality education more accessible for students. Our collaborations send a positive message to students about our commitment to their success. We learn from each other and leverage our collective strengths to achieve economies of scale. Ultimately, our collaborative stewardship opens the academic doors to those who may not otherwise have access to meaningful education.

OUR VISION:

A meaningful, relevant, and affordable New York higher education

OUR MISSION:

Upstate New York colleges and universities operating better together to strengthen students' educational experience and success

OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

- Student Success: Maximize student recruitment, retention, completion, and success.
- Resource Optimization: Pursue collaborative solutions to shared challenges
- **Leadership Development:** Maximize the impact of our leadership, faculty, and staff through effective professional development and succession planning

COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE:

- Academic Excellence and Student Experience: Identifying shared programs to satisfy students' personal development and career aspirations
- **Financial Matters:** Exchanging ideas to improve customer service, mitigate risk, and optimize resource utilization and related outcomes
- Information Technology: Aligning resources to enhance IT strategic services and supporting excellence in instructional technology for students and faculty
- Human Resources: Addressing needs related to workforce training and organizational development





Leveraging Collective Strengths to Ensure the Sustained Excellence & Success of Higher Education in the Region

BENEFITS OF UNYCC MEMBERSHIP

Supporting the enhanced effectiveness of all institutions in the region



- Increased collaboration and sharing
 of programs: We can develop new
 student pathways and other joint
 programs to enrich the diverse
 ecosystem of higher education in
 upstate New York thereby preserving
 and expanding student choice.
- Economic efficiencies in meeting shared needs: Leveraging our collective human, physical and financial resources yields high quality, low-cost solutions for all of us.
- Shared knowledge of experiences, successes, and challenges: We can learn from one another's wins and losses.

- Student recognition that their education is our priority: Collaborating rather than competing sends a positive message about our concern for the quality of their education.
- Expanded professional development opportunities. We can access the training and development offerings that will allow for multiple attendees.

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