

The Best Business: Think Critically, Communicate Effectively, Act Responsibly



“I don’t know if I told you, or expressed to you, how appreciative I am for the work the students did last semester. They did an outstanding job and really went far above and beyond any expectations we had. If you could thank them, I would appreciate it, they did a wonderful job!” This is a statement from Ms. Kathleen J. Casey to Dr. Glodstein. Ms. Casey is the Senior Investigative Counsel | Revenue, Auto, Insurance, Labor Crime at the Nassau County District Attorney’s Office.

As part of the Justice for Fraud Victims project, SUNY Old Westbury Forensic Accounting students volunteer their guided services for free to local Long Island businesses and nonprofits that may be fraud victims. The initiative originated from Dr. David Glodstein, ACFE 2022 Educator of the Year, lead professor of SUNY Old Westbury's graduate forensic accounting program, who has been recruiting partners and promoting plans for the Justice for Fraud Victims Project over the last few years. School mentors oversee groups of three to five students in each case.



SOB AACSB ACCREDITATION IN PROGRESS

Peer Review Team Visit April 2-5

Announcements

- With enthusiasm, dedication, disposition and **Learner-centeredness**, the SOB is working diligently on its first accreditation. In preparation for the event to come, a **Peer Review Team Mock Visit** is scheduled for **Friday March 3**.
- Starting on **Sunday, April 2** and ending on **Wednesday, April 5**, the **School of Business (SOB)** will have the official visit of the [**Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business \(AACSB\)**](#) Peer Review Team (PRT). **Go Panthers!** Show the Paws of the committed heart and mind.

- The **SUNY Graduate Research Conference (GradCon)** has extended the proposal submission deadline to March 17, 2023. It is sponsored by the **SUNY University Faculty Senate (UFC)**, **Graduate and Research Committee**, in collaboration with the **SUNY Center for Professional Development**, and will be hosting the second edition of the [SUNY Graduate Research Conference \(GRC\)](http://www.suny.edu/gradcon). For more info on how to submit a session visit: <http://www.suny.edu/gradcon>.



- The ninth annual **SUNY Undergraduate Research Conference (SURC)**



2023 Conference will be hosted on Friday, April 14, 2023 at SUNY Maritime. SURC brings together undergraduate students and faculty mentors from across the SUNY system for a full day of activities, including sessions devoted to student presentations (oral, performance, artistic displays, and poster), luncheon, keynote speakers, a SUNY Graduate School and Career Fair, and professional development workshops for students and faculty. The due date for **Abstract submission is March 8, 2023**. Read more at <https://sunycpd.eventsair.com/surc-2023/proposal-info-submission>.

- **From Wednesday, April 26, to Friday, April 28**, there will be a Virtual Conference on **Student Success Summit 2023: Meeting Students Where They Are**. SUNY campuses increasingly recognize the importance of being student-ready and culturally responsive, thus meeting students where they are to facilitate the co-creation and attainment of personal, academic, and professional goals. Read more at www.suny.edu/studentsuccesssummit. The Summit is free for SUNY campuses. Register at <https://sunycpd.eventsair.com/sss2023/reg/Site/Register>.



- Since its inception, **Financial Literacy at Old Westbury** known as the FLOW program has had over eleven thousand registrants completing over thirty-four thousand courses! One of the Committee's initiatives is a **Financial Literacy Fair** for students, faculty, and staff to be held on-campus on **Tuesday, March 28**, in the Student Union Multi-Purpose Rooms from 9 am to 4 pm. In the last three Financial Literacy Fairs there were over 1,200 students, faculty, staff, experts in banking, finance, and tax services participating. We hope to add to that number this upcoming spring! The average college student today will leave college with an average of \$34,000 in student loan debt. This is a 70% increase from a decade ago; with about 6% owing over \$100,000. Although, the average Old Westbury undergraduate student accumulates just under \$17,000, which is half the national average, loan debt creates a financial road block in their futures.

SPOTLIGHT is a publication of SUNY Old Westbury, School of Business

Designed and edited by Raul Zevallos & Louise M. Rotchford

