

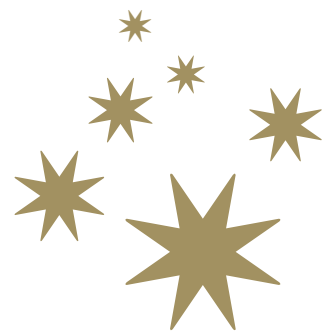
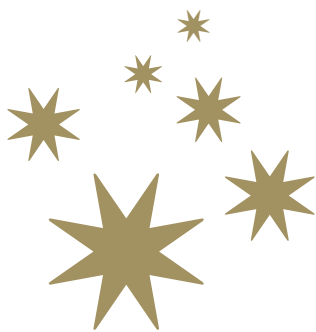
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Through our credit and continuing education classes, we offer a full array of degree and certificate programs, as well as microcredentials and certifications to help residents upgrade skills, begin rewarding careers, or transfer to four-year colleges. More than 60 percent of SUNY Ulster graduates continue their studies at four-year public and private institutions.

The College continues to adapt to serve county residents. In Fall 2015, credit and continuing education classes opened at the Kingston Center of SUNY Ulster (KCSU) on Mary's Avenue, Kingston, www.sunyulster.edu/kcsu. Through Professional and Continuing Education, career training and skills development programs and courses continue to prepare residents for in-demand jobs in advanced manufacturing, health sciences, technology, and more.

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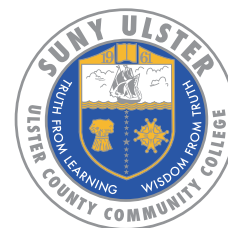
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In memory of Barbara A. Adams, is our student emergency funding program, which will award over \$20,000 in emergency support in 2024-2025 to our students in need.



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THE COLLEGE SEAL

The College seal symbolically represents the historic area in which Ulster County Community College is located and the academic aspirations of the College.

The date 1961 indicates the year in which the College came into being as a legal entity by virtue of a public referendum of the citizens of Ulster County.

The open book is symbolic of the importance the College places on education.

The ship represents Henry Hudson's voyage on the Half Moon, which began the era of European settlement.

The sheaf of wheat emphasizes the importance of agriculture in Ulster County.

The Huguenot Cross recognizes the background of the early French settlers in Ulster County.

The eleven stars represent the first eleven states of the Union with the large star representing New York State, the eleventh state of the Union.

Truth from learning - Wisdom from truth
is the College's motto.

ALMA MATER

BY JOHN F. PARK

From Catskill's lofty peaks and vales, from Hudson's noble shores,
In search of wisdom's truth we come to her e'er open doors.
For each to be all that he can, a chance she will provide;
For all her teachings shall become a strong and steadfast guide.

For truth from learning we shall seek, and wisdom from the truth.
To this, her motto, now we pledge the vigor of our youth.
Her colors, blue and white, we raise and hold her banner high.
Her motto for our future years a meaning shall supply.

For knowledge and for loyalty the sapphire blue shall stand,
The white for purity of truth which wisdom must demand.
To alma mater, U tri C, our voices now we raise;
In loyalty and love for truth we ever sing her praise!



ACADEMIC REGALIA

The caps and gowns, which add color and dignity to the academic procession, originated in the Middle Ages. An intercollegiate code, which was established in the United States in 1895, is the basis for present academic dress.

HOODS

The hoods are lined with the official colors of the college or university conferring the degree. For example: Columbia, light blue and white; Harvard, crimson; New York University, violet; Princeton, orange and black; Rutgers, scarlet; University of Pennsylvania, red and blue; Yale, blue. The color of the edging of the hood is distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains. For all academic purposes, the colors associated with the different subjects are as follows:

Maize – Agriculture	Russet – Forestry	Apricot – Nursing
White – Arts, Letters, Humanities	Crimson – Journalism	Silver Grey – Oratory (Speech)
Drab – Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Purple – Law	Salmon Pink – Public Health
Lilac – Dentistry	Lemon – Library Science	Golden Yellow – Science
Copper – Economics	Green – Medicine	Citron – Social Work
Light Blue – Education	Olive Green – Pharmacy	Scarlet – Theology
Orange – Engineering	Dark Blue – Philosophy	Grey – Veterinary Science
Brown – Fine Arts, Architecture	Sage Green – Physical Education	Peacock Blue – Public Administration (including Foreign Service)
	Pink – Music	

CAPS

The tassel is black or the color appropriate to the subject, except that the doctor's cap may have its tassel of gold thread.

GONFALONS, a flag that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, are incorporated in many colleges and universities as institutional insignias and formal ceremonial academic traditions. This year marks the third annual presentation of the gonfalons as we proudly represent the degrees and certificates awarded and earned by students at our institution with our gonfalons. SUNY Ulster's faculty members with the most institutional seniority have the honor of carrying these flags during the academic procession. They are serving as the Guardians of the Gonfalon:

Mr. Jules Albertini, Professor of Mathematics	Mr. Steve Schimrich, Professor of Earth Science
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Faculty are recognized for leadership in Academic Travel or COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning).

ASSOCIATE DEGREE AND DIPLOMA REGALIA

Graduates of two-year degree and one-year diploma programs at Ulster County Community College are robed in a grey gown and mortarboard cap with a tassel. The gold honors stole signifies membership in the PHI THETA KAPPA International Honor Society. Students who qualify for High Honors (those with a cumulative GPA of 3.75 and higher) are signified by the Gold and Blue honor cords with a matching tassel. Students who qualify for Honors (those with a cumulative GPA between 3.3 and 3.74) are signified by the Blue and White honor cords along with a matching tassel.

