Dear Colleagues,

What a quick summer! I hope you had some time to spend with family, friends, and yourself.

I spent the last few days of summer freezing the last remaining corn and other vegetables and fruits before New Student Week. What a quick summer!

I am excited to welcome the Class of 2021 and returning Carls to campus. We have many reasons to be excited about the new year. Carleton received the Great Lakes Emergency Funding grant which will assist eligible students with unexpected expenses such as medical bills, car repairs, etc. The second year of the Civil Discourse class continues in Myers Hall with Joe Baggot and Yansi Perez as co-facilitators. In addition, we welcome many new faces within the division. Finally, the equity and diversity training that the division of student life began last year will commence this term. Our staff have dedicated 21 hours of professional development focused on enhancing our cultural competency and have nine hours remaining. We are grateful for colleagues in the President’s Office, the Center for Civic and Community Engagement, and the Chaplain’s Office for joining us in this learning opportunity.

This year we remain focused on those students impacted by the recent hurricanes; potential changes in Title IX; the expansion of the Green Dot program; the resuming of the Deferred Action Childhood Arrival (DACA) program; and, the ability of our students to engage in respectful dialogue. Other challenges and opportunities will emerge as well.

Many many thanks for all you do and happy fall term!

Carolyn

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Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **TRIO Ice Cream Social**—Friday, September 15
  4:00pm—5:00pm, TRIO

- **Student Organization Fair**—Friday, September 15
  Students learn ways they can get involved outside the classroom and talk to over 200 student groups and organizations. 5:00—7:00pm, Bald Spot

- **Career Center Open House for Faculty and Staff**—Wednesday, September 20
  3:00-5:00pm, Johnson House

- **Sex-Positivity and Consent**—Thursday, September 21
  7:00pm, Bakou 104

- **OIL Retreat**—Friday and Saturday, September 22 and 23
  Camp Friendship, Annandale MN
  Staff and Faculty Participation on Saturday from 1:00-3:00PM

- **OIL, Union Street Block Party**—Saturday, September 30
  12:00—2:00pm, Union Street

- **Class Act**—Friday, October 6
  4:30—6:00pm, Great Hall

### ONGOING EVENTS

- **Time to Meditate**—Tuesdays and Fridays during the term
  Practice mindfulness, moment-to-moment awareness. Open to all levels. Led by Betsy Lane-Gataz and Nate Page; co-sponsored by the Chapel and SHAC.
  12:10—12:50pm on Tuesday, 8:15-8:45am on Friday, Buddhist Meditation Room in Skinner Memorial Chapel

- **Popcorn Fridays**—Fridays
  Stop by for free popcorn every Friday during the term and learn about upcoming events. 10:00am—2:00pm, Student Activities Office Sayles Hill Room 160

- **Happy Hour Course**—Tuesdays or Wednesdays Week 2-10
  Register at go.carleton.edu/uhhp
  10:45-11:55am on Tuesdays or 3:10-4:20pm on Wednesdays, Location TBA

- **Mental Health First Aid Training**—Thursdays (9/21, 9/28, 10/5, 10/12)
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  1:15-3:15pm, Location TBA
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The Gender and Sexuality Center (GSC) would like to thank everyone who made this year’s GSC Staff training a success. We are excited to welcome our new staff to the GSC and are looking forward to another great year.

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The Career Center is excited to be kicking off the 2017-2018 academic year from our new location in Johnson House. Staff members have been keeping busy with getting situated into their new office spaces and are eager to welcome both new and returning students to the Career Center’s new location. We especially encourage seniors to connect with our office so they are aware of upcoming campus recruiting deadlines and are equipped with skills to help them stand out when attending employer visits/info sessions. Also, students can now browse 2017 Winter Break externship opportunities. The deadline to apply is Oct. 2nd.

Disability Services and Student Health and Counseling Center (SHAC) are collaborating in a national pilot study with the College Diabetes Network as one of 25 campuses to utilize and study new resources to support college students with diabetes. Carleton College Disability Services and the federal Workforce Recruitment Program are connected to assist Carleton students with disabilities to be considered for either summer or permanent job opportunities. Contact cdallager@carleton.edu to register before October 7.

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The Office of Health Promotion is excited to be in the search process for an Assistant Director who will coordinate the new Garrett Lee Smith Suicide Prevention Grant.

Student Activities Office (SAO) spent much of the summer reviewing the 2016-2017 academic year, preparing for the upcoming year, and planning for New Student Week and the arrival of the class of 2021. SAO also worked with Zagster to implement a bike share program on campus. This project was funded by the Special Projects Committee of the Carleton Student Association (CSA) last winter term. Additionally, the office hosted a variety of summer programming opportunities for students who were working on campus over the summer.

Residential Life is excited to welcome three new Area Directors to the fold: Elizabeth Charnell (James, Caset, Norse), Steve Schauz (Goodhue, Evans), and Genia Wilson (Watson, Myers). In addition to our new ADs, the office is excited to have our phenomenal Resident Assistants and House Managers in their respective halls and houses. We would also like to highlight Mimi De Rosas return to the office after welcoming a new baby girl!

SUMMER DOESN’T STOP SAO

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Also known as the Dash Emergency Grant, the Great Lakes Emergency Funding program will give Carleton the ability to alleviate the burden of unforeseen costs on students. The two-year program awards $168,000 to the College and can be used to assist eligible students with unexpected expenses such as a medical bill or car repair.

Previously assisting two-year colleges, Great Lakes just recently expanded the grant to include four-year institutions as well. Other Minnesota recipients include: Hamline University, Metropolitan State University, Minnesota State University—Mankato, St. Catherine University, St. Cloud State University, and University of Northwestern in St. Paul. In total, $7.2 million in emergency grants were awarded to 32 institutions, resulting in a total of $7.2 million in emergency assistance to students.

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