

Hello [Student's Name],

Welcome to the start of the Spring 2023 semester. Take a deep breath and exhale because it's time to move you one semester closer to graduation.

If I can offer some advice, it is this:

- **Focus on your learning.** Challenge yourself to find new ways to grow in the classroom, lab, or internship. Ask questions, accept feedback, and stay on top of your assignments.
- **Knock down academic hurdles.** Use [Learning Commons](#) services like Study Labs, online or in-person tutoring, the RAWC, and more. Connect with Academic Access & Disability Services for accommodations and resources.
- **Access free services to improve your journey.** Connect with [The Pantry](#) [for food and personal care items], apply for scholarships or a student emergency grant, attend a student support group meeting, or try on-site [counseling](#) to overcome roadblocks.
- **Stay active and engaged.** Attend a student club or SGA (Student Government Association) meeting, work out in the newly remodeled Fitness Center, go to a sporting event, or volunteer through the Community to College Partnership Center.

Our college family is here to support you. If you have questions, please reach out to one of your instructors or a staff member. You can also visit the Thomas Welcome Center or contact our Welcome Center specialists at info@allegany.edu or 301-784-5005.

Wish you the best,

Dr. Cynthia Bambara
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