



Dear Students, Families, and Colleagues:

There is no place that evokes thoughts of historical significance quite as much as New England, and Framingham State College has long been an integral part of that heritage. Under the leadership of renowned educator, Horace Mann, Framingham State College was founded in 1839 as the first public college in America to offer teacher preparation. With that auspicious beginning, Framingham State College has flourished and expanded, and now provides extensive liberal arts and professional programs to a diversified and ever-increasing population with worldwide representation.

Small classes, intimate surroundings, state-of-the-art facilities, including a brand new Athletic and Recreation Center, and a newly restored Ecumenical and Cultural Center, together with an outstanding faculty made up of nationally recognized scholars and experts in their fields, provide exciting, comprehensive and first-rate educational opportunities. Add to that, superior living quarters wired for computer hook-up and Internet accessibility, a wide array of co-curricular activities, a student life organization dedicated to providing inclusive programming and services to meet the needs of a varied student population, and you have all the ingredients for a challenging, well-rounded, and outstanding college experience.

Framingham State College overlooks the town of Framingham, a dynamic and thriving community within the MetroWest environs. This year, the College celebrates its 150th year in the Town of Framingham where it was relocated in 1853, after outgrowing its previous two locations in Lexington and West Newton. In the midst of the thriving MetroWest, students will find entertainment, shopping, and outdoor recreation areas all within walking distance of campus. And while Framingham State College is part of the quieter suburbs, the city of Boston, with its innumerable cultural opportunities, sporting events, and urban vitality, is within easy traveling distance.

I hope you will take the opportunity to get to know us and learn first hand all that Framingham State College has to offer. We look forward to welcoming you to our academic community.

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