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MEMO TO: Deans, Directors and Chairs

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SUBJECT: 2007 Celebration of Academic Excellence

By now, you've received your invitation to the April 19th, 2007 Celebration of Academic Excellence. As you know, it is at this annual event that we recognize a number of our esteemed colleagues with SUNY and UB honors. We likewise spotlight the wonderful research in which quite a number of our undergraduates have been engaged under the guidance of faculty mentors. Moreover, this year, we have the distinct pleasure of being joined by SUNY Chancellor John R. Ryan, who will deliver the keynote address.

For me, it is always easy to feel pride about my affiliation with this great University, and one of the most tangible ways in which you and I can demonstrate that pride is by attending the Celebration and applauding our colleagues and our students for their commitment to excellence. Whether you choose to process in academic regalia or to simply attend, I hope that you will show your support – and your pride – in our students, our colleagues, and our institution. I also trust that you will encourage members of your staff to attend.

Details of the day:

In the Atrium of the Center for the Arts, beginning 1:30 p.m., you are invited to view both posters and other demonstrations of quality undergraduate research, and to attend the formal ceremony beginning 3:30 in the CFA Mainstage Theatre. We will be regaled with performances by students from the Departments of Music and Theatre & Dance and will enjoy a video retrospective of the September visit of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama.

See you on April 19th!