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Dear Widener Families,

We are excited to share this Winter 2023 edition of Widener Family Connections with you.

This issue contains an interview with our new Interim Dean of Students Sarah Swager, who joined us in January. Sarah is committed to assuring students have the most positive academic and personal experiences possible, and that they are supported in remaining enrolled and completing their degrees.

You'll also read about a dynamic new partnership between Widener and the Jed Foundation (JED), the nation's leading organization dedicated to young adult mental health. We recognize that wellness is key to a fulfilling experience at Widener, and this new partnership supports our commitment to the well-being of all students.

There are many exciting events planned for this spring — including commencement — and we're providing you with key dates and deadlines so you have the latest information to support your Widener student.

Andy Workman, PhD
Provost, Widener University



An exciting **new four-year partnership between Widener and The Jed Foundation (JED)** will place greater emphasis on mental health at the university, and solidify the university's commitment to this vital component of well-being.

[Learn more.](#)



Meet our **new Interim Dean of Students Sarah Swager**, who brings more than 30 years of experience in student affairs to Widener. She is passionate about fostering student success and cultivating a positive campus experience for all.



From **Living Learning Communities to Gender Inclusive Housing**, Widener has intentionally built communities that bring together students of similar backgrounds, interests, and academic pursuits to further support and promote camaraderie on campus.



Our own **Anthony Pluretti** was named the **national Campus Safety Higher Education Director of the Year** by *Campus Safety* magazine. His dedication to ensuring Widener is a safe and welcoming place for all are hallmarks of his leadership.

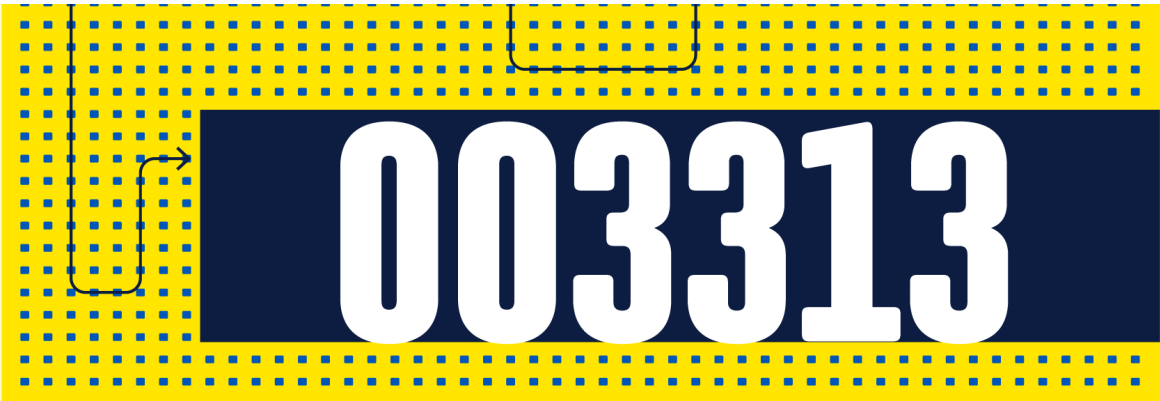


As an undergraduate, **Cloë Di Flumeri '23** has built a robust résumé not only academically as a triple major, but through immersive research and internship opportunities.



Our May 2022 graduates are making their mark on the world! University data reported to the National Association of Colleges and Employers shows employment rates and salaries are up!

WIDENER'S
FAFSA CODE:



003313

The **2023–2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** is now available for the upcoming academic year. Students who plan to enroll at Widener in summer 2023, fall 2023 or spring of 2024 should complete the 2023–2024 FAFSA. Widener’s federal school code is: 003313.

To be considered for Pennsylvania State Grant funding students must submit their FAFSA annually by May 1.

To be considered for Delaware State Grant funding students must submit their FAFSA annually by April 15.

Have questions about financing your education? Contact Widener Financial Aid Services at 610-499-4161 or finaidmc@widener.edu.

DATES TO NOTE — *helpful dates to keep you and your student informed*

Monday, February 27 – Returning student housing application opens in housing portal

Wednesday, March 8 – New student housing application opens in housing portal

Monday, March 13 – Deadline for graduates to RSVP for commencement via Marching Order

Wednesday, March 15 – Returning students are emailed their housing selection day and time

Sunday, March 19 – Annual Alumni Day at Phillies Spring Training in Florida (sold out)

Monday, March 20 – Friday, March 24 – Returning student housing selection happens

Monday, April 10 – Summer housing application opens

Wednesday and Thursday, April 12 and 13 – Roar4Widener giving campaign

Thursday, April 13 – Inauguration of President Stacey Robertson

Friday, April 21 – Priority deadline for summer housing application

Commencement ceremonies –

- School of Engineering, **Tuesday, May 9** at 3 p.m.
- School of Business Administration and Center for Graduate and Continuing Studies, **Wednesday, May 10** at 10 a.m.
- School of Nursing, **Wednesday, May 10** at 3 p.m.
- College of Arts and Sciences, **Thursday, May 11** at 10 a.m.
- College of Health and Human Services, **Thursday, May 11** at 3 p.m.

The [**commencement website**](#) is a one-stop-shop for all commencement related information, both for you and your loved ones. Take time to review all of the information with your family and friends, including the [**Commencement Details At-A-Glance**](#) and a robust list of **FAQs**

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Your feedback is so important to creating a healthy and supportive environment for your student's learning experience at Widener University. Please contact us with any questions about the articles we shared at studentaffairs@widener.edu

Division of Student Affairs

Call 610-499-4385, email studentaffairs@widener.edu.
Office located on first floor of University Center.

Office of Residence Life

Call 610-499-4390, email residencelife@widener.edu.
Offices located in Cann Hall.

Widener Dining

Email campusdining@widener.edu.

Student Health Services

Call 610-499-1183, email studenthealth@widener.edu.
Located in Metropolitan Hall on campus.

Counseling and Psychological Center (CAPS)

To make an appointment, call 610-499-1261.
Located at 522 E. 14th Street on campus.

Enrollment Services (Lipka Hall)

Visit Lipka Hall on the corner of 14th and Potter Streets
Call 610-499-4161

• Financial Aid Services

- **Bursar** (tuition/billing/payment plan office)
- **Registrar Office**
- **Campus1Card Office**



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