

The Bulletin

Campus News for the SUNY Cortland Community

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As we wrap up the spring semester and look at the tasks required to [finish strong](#), a special focus is required. The structure and support that have always been available to students during finals week is still here. SUNY Cortland faculty and staff continue to make it their mission to work as a community to help all Red Dragons reach their goals. In order to finish strong, we suggest students embrace the recommendations offered by their professors and the [Advisement and Transition Office](#). With two weeks left in the semester, students should determine what assignments, papers or tests remain and their deadlines. They should write down all major assignments and tests in their planners and come up with a strategy to complete them.

This historic and painful semester is almost done. The rewards are around the corner. This is especially true for our graduating seniors who are finishing their university experience off campus and are adjusting expectations related to traditional academic recognition. This week President Bitterbaum announced plans for [Commencement 2020](#) that attempt to make the best out of a very disappointing situation.

And, because we all continue to be Red Dragon strong, SUNY Cortland continues to have good news to share:

- Rachel Bernstein, a junior inclusive childhood education major, [shares an important message that when you can't find the sunshine, be the sunshine](#).
- [Senior Danielle Bambola has been named the recipient](#) of the Women's Golf Coaches Association Kim Moore Spirit Award.
- Alliyah Dookie becomes the first recipient of [a new award for diversity](#).
- [Distinguished Kente seniors and faculty were recognized](#) at a distance.
- A virtual [Bachelor of Fine Arts thesis exhibition will open May 11](#).
- Fourteen students earn [Outstanding Writing Awards](#) from SUNY Cortland's College Writing Committee and [two students are recognized for their short stories](#).
- [Student leaders are named](#) in five nomination categories.
- Gregg Weatherby, lecturer II in English, will have four poems published in the next issue of *Home Planet News Online*. They include "Ghosts," "In Loco," "April in Lockdown" and "Aloha." "In Loco" was published on Poet Doug Holder's blog.
- Locally, [SUNY Cortland campus hosted a dairy distribution on May 4](#).
- And finally, the Institute for Civic Engagement is encouraging all our students to take a few minutes to complete the Census at [2020census.gov](#).

Let's stay in touch with the great things people in our community are doing via bulletin@cortland.edu.

Thank you and be safe,

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