



# PROVOST BRIEFING

July 8, 2019

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Orientation 2019

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***Here are some of this week's top stories and a look ahead.***

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- McQuade Library: Education Resources
- Interested in Online or Hybrid Teaching?
- Catholic Relief Services' University Engagement
- New Box Office Hours Rogers Center for the Arts
- Classes begin for Summer Session 2 graduate online courses, July 8
- Final grades are due for Summer 1 graduate online courses, July 8
- Classes begin for Summer Session 2 undergraduate, July 8
- Final grades are due for Summer 1 undergraduate, July 8

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## McQuade Library: Education Resources

Recent additions to the Education Resources Collection in the McQuade Library include the robots [Dash](#), [Mbot](#), [Root](#), and [BlueBot](#). These bots can be paired with the ERC Ipad's that have

pre-loaded designated apps for each bot. Also new is a 25 x 25 foot [Giant Mars map](#) from the Buzz Aldrin's [ShareSpace](#) Foundation.

These items and many more ERC resources are available for check-out to the Merrimack community and local educators. More information about availability and check-out contact [erc@merrimack.edu](mailto:erc@merrimack.edu) or explore the library website <https://www.merrimack.edu/library/>.

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## Interested in Online or Hybrid Teaching?

The Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) is your one-stop-shop for online and hybrid course design. The CETL is ready to help with new course development or to re-design an activity, assignment, or assessment for a digital learning environment. All Merrimack instructors are invited to schedule an in-person or virtual meeting or to stop by our office in Sullivan Hall this summer. Please contact [ctl@merrimack.edu](mailto:ctl@merrimack.edu) or visit our [Resource Page](#) for additional information.

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## Catholic Relief Services' University Engagement

The Office of Mission and Ministry would like to bring to your attention that Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has partnered with Colleges and Universities to engage students, faculty, and staff in tangible acts of solidarity to build a more just and peaceful world. CRS develops online academic reading material and hosts opportunities for classroom interaction with CRS' global staff. If you are interested in or planning to incorporate awareness of social justice issues into your teaching courses, The CRS Faculty Learning Commons (FLC) provides many resources. There are numerous modules to access case studies, articles, videos, discussion questions, and more, which can be easily integrated into classroom teaching or referenced for your own learning and interest. Use this link to review and/or download these materials [CRS-U Faculty Learning Commons](#).

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## New Box Office Hours Rogers Center for the Arts

This year the Rogers Center for the Arts will be transitioning away from their traditional weekday box office hours. Starting September 21st, the box office will only be open on performance days two hours before performance times (excluding Atrium Series Events). As usual, tickets will be available 24/7 online at [www.merrimack.edu/rogers](http://www.merrimack.edu/rogers). Stay tuned for the 2019-20 season schedule, which will be posted next week.

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## Other Events this Week

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### July 8th

**Classes begin for Summer Session 2 graduate online courses**

**Final grades are due for Summer 1 graduate online courses**

**Classes begin for Summer Session 2 undergraduate**

**Final grades are due for Summer 1 undergraduate**

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