MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

May 1, 2013

Dear Students:

In February 2013, the Utah State Legislature approved Dixie State College to become Dixie State University – so welcome to the first full academic year of the state’s newest university! We are excited for you to experience the energy and vitality that accompany this exciting transition. We now offer bachelor’s degrees in 22 disciplines with a wide array of emphases in many content areas, as well as nine minors, 17 associate’s degrees, and 12 certificate options. Whatever your degree choices, you will be taught by extraordinary professors and instructors who are dedicated to helping you be successful.

You have made a wise choice to pursue your education – and whatever your goals may be, your education at Dixie State University will enhance your marketability and earning power in the competitive world in which we live.

As you come to campus, you will experience our new state-of-the-art digital learning center/library in the Jeffrey R. Holland Centennial Commons Building, new science labs in the Snow Science Center, and a newly remodeled student union building. You will also find a host of opportunities for involvement in campus life, including intramurals; student government; service learning; and cultural, athletic, and recreational events.

It is our hope that you will take full advantage of your time during this new academic year. Study hard. Play hard. Make new friends. And make the most of your experience at Dixie State College. We know these are challenging times, but we are committed to helping you prepare to meet the opportunities which lie ahead and to thrive in an uncertain world. We hope you will leave with great memories, a more marketable you, red sand in your shoes, and a heart full of the Dixie Spirit. Good luck!

Sincerely,

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UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

Dixie State University is a teaching institution that strives to enrich its community and the lives of its students by promoting a culture of learning, values, and community.

Core themes:

1. A Culture of Learning: Dixie State University promotes a campus-wide culture of learning, delivers excellent teaching, and prepares knowledgable and competent student who achieve their educational goals.

2. A Culture of Values: Dixie State University invests in a culture of values which include service, citizenship, diversity, ethics, and collaboration.

3. A Culture of Community: Dixie State University builds and maintains strong relationships between students, faculty, staff, and community to foster economic growth and a continuum of educational, cultural, and recreational enrichment.

Dixie State University is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.