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Dr. Merodie Hancock
President
SUNY Empire State College
2 Union Ave.
Sarasota Springs, NY 12866

Dear Dr. Hancock:

The Maryland Higher Education Commission has received a renewal application from SUNY Empire State College to offer three (3) blended/online programs that include residency-based learning components as a required part of the curriculum in partnership with the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers. I am pleased to inform you that SUNY Empire State College is authorized to offer the programs listed below until August 31, 2016.

Approved programs:

- I. Master of Arts in Work and Labor Policy
- II. Bachelor of Science in Labor Studies
- III. Associate of Science in Labor Studies

An electronic renewal form and the regulations for out-of-state institutions are available on the Commission's website under "Academic Approval Process" at www.mhec.state.md.us. In order to operate at the approved locations after the stated expiration date, the renewal application should be completed and submitted to this office no later than five months before the institution proposes to commence operation for the academic year 2016-2017. If applicable, the use of VA benefits for these programs should be coordinated through Ms. Trish Gordon-McCown, Veterans Affairs Coordinator. She can be reached at 410-767-3098.

Please keep us informed of any changes contemplated in your offerings in Maryland. We look forward to continuing the cooperative relationship developed between your institution and the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

Sincerely,

Jennie C. Hunter-Cevera, Ph.D.
Acting Secretary of Higher Education

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Cc: Dr. Brian Goodale, Director of Academic Development, SUNY Empire State College