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**SUFFOLK COMMUNITY COLLEGE STEM STUDENTS DISPLAY WORK AT
DISCOVERY UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM IN ALBANY**

Selden, NY – Several Suffolk County Community College STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) students recently attended the Discovery Undergraduate Research Symposium in Albany. The Discovery Undergraduate Research Symposium is designed to bring together SUNY’s most talented undergraduate scholars, SUNY administrative officials and members of the New York State Legislative delegation and their office staff. The session allows SUNY undergraduates the opportunity to present their research and creative academic projects to a large audience at Albany’s Legislative Office Building.

This symposium highlights the tremendous range of undergraduate and graduate research projects taking place across New York State. It also serves as an opportunity for students and faculty mentors to be recognized for their outstanding work.

Suffolk County Community College’s STEM student ambassadors included Helen Bagnato (math research), John Cane (biology research), and Beatris Jimenez (chemistry research). SCCC program mentors included Dr. Candice J. Foley - NSF S-STEM (National Science Foundation Scholarships for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and Dean Nina Leonhardt - CSTEP (Collegiate Science and Technology Entry Program).

SCCC STEM scholars discussed their research projects with many visitors including SUNY Chancellor Dr. Nancy Zimpher; SUNY Senior Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges and Education Pipeline Johanna Duncan-Poitier; Senator Carl Macellino, Senator Owen Johnson, Assemblyman Philip Boyle, Assemblyman Michael Fitzpatrick and Assemblyman Robert Sweeney.



Photo Caption: (Left to right) - SCCC NSF S-STEM Grants I & II Principal Investigator, Dr. Candice J. Foley; College Associate Dean for Continuing Education and SCCC CSTEP/STEP Chair, Ms. Nina Leonhardt; SUNY Chancellor Dr. Nancy Zimpher; SCCC NSF S-STEM & CSTEP scholar, Beatris Jimenez; University Faculty Senate President Kenneth P. O'Brien; SCCC NSF S-STEM & CSTEP scholar, Helen Bagnato; SCCC NSF S-STEM scholar, John Cane.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 26,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering affordable college tuition, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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