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**SUFFOLK COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT HONORED AS EMPLOYER
OF THE YEAR FOR COOP-INTERNSHIP PROGRAM WITH
SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Selden, NY - The Suffolk County Police Department has been selected as Employer of the Year by the New York State Cooperative Experiential Education Association (NYSCEEA) for its internship program with Suffolk County Community College.

Police Officer Victoria Seeger, Suffolk County Police Department's Internship Program Director, recently received a plaque of recognition after a nomination from Debra Klein, Suffolk County Community College's Internship Coordinator. The annual award by NYSCEEA recognizes outstanding contributions and accomplishments in the field of cooperative and/or experiential education and is given to employers in both the profit and not-for-profit sector. NYSCEEA promotes and supports experiential education for college and university students in New York State.

"The police department's internship program, which has been in existence for approximately 20 years, provides interns with opportunities to observe police officers as they perform their day-to-day duties," said Officer Seeger. "We are so grateful for the high-caliber student interns that come to us from Suffolk County Community College."

"Suffolk County Police Department has proven to be a wonderful partner in creating an opportunity for our Suffolk students to explore their organization. More than 350 students have participated in this internship since its inception." noted Debra Klein.

Additionally, Suffolk is one of only eight State University of New York (SUNY) community colleges selected to be a pilot school for the SUNY WORKS/Co-op Lumina Grant. With support from Lumina Foundation, SUNY will partner with business and industry leaders and economic development organizations to launch SUNY WORKS - a unique new cooperative education initiative featured in SUNY's new strategic plan.

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 the lowest college tuition on Long Island, 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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