



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## SENATOR JEFF KLEIN CELEBRATES THE OPENING OF THE STUDENT LOUNGE AND COMPUTER LAB AT MERCY COLLEGE MADE POSSIBLE WITH \$200,000 GRANT

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**Bronx, NY** — State Senator Jeff Klein (D- Bronx/Westchester), Mercy College President Timothy Hall and students unveiled a new state-of-the-art student lounge and computer lab on Thursday.

Senator Klein provided \$200,000 in state funding for the multi-use student activity commons. Now, commuters will be able to socialize or relax in the student lounge or work on assignments in the computer lab. Funds were also dedicated to design a lounge for veterans which is scheduled to open next month.

“I am proud to have provided these much-needed resources for students at Mercy College. This funding will help foster student engagement by providing our commuters with a social destination, where they can network with fellow students and relax between classes. Students can now complete their school homework assignments, and work with their classmates on various projects in the new computer lab, impacting their academic success. I look forward to my continued partnership with Mercy College and cannot wait for the opening of the veteran lounge next month,” **said Senator Klein.**

“We thank Senator Klein for this extraordinary gift to our campus. The Student Commons at The Bronx Campus will contribute to a more vibrant and energetic feel to this essential campus. Mercy College is strengthening our commitment to our Bronx students with this space. We want them to come to college here, and have fun here. Make friends, work on papers – enjoy their college years,” **said Mercy College President Timothy Hall.**

“I’m excited to have this space carved out just for us students. It will be put to good use with meetings, studying and just hanging out! As a commuter, sometimes it is hard to meet people but I know this space, and just having a place to go and put down my bag, will help a lot,” **said Mercy College student Diamond Jones, ‘18.**