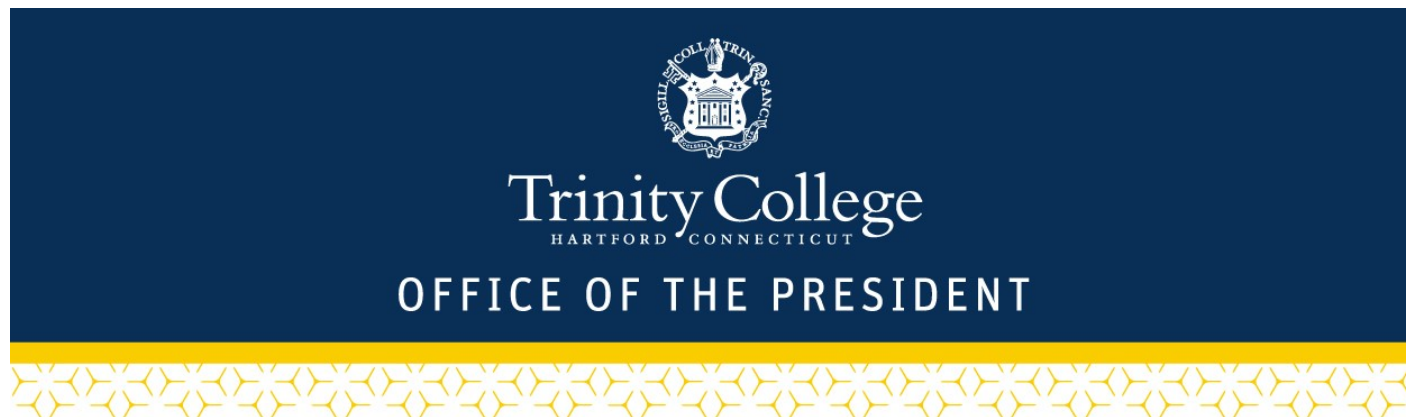


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President Joanne Berger-Sweeney <President@trincoll.edu>

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To: President Joanne Berger-Sweeney <President@trincoll.edu>



June 21, 2020

Dear Students, Faculty, and Staff,

Right now, we are extremely disappointed in our Trinity community. Earlier today, we learned that in response to a recent outpouring on Instagram by students, alumni, and others about incidents of racism or sexual assault experienced at Trinity, a counter-account has been created and is engaging in harassing, hurtful, and racist activity.

That such an account would be created and in its responses to others' posts mock, bully, and intimidate members of our community is nothing short of shameful and disgusting. As a college, we do not have the power to take down the account, but here are the action steps we have initiated: 1) We have reported it to Instagram for harassment/bullying; 2) we have directed Campus Safety to investigate; and 3) we have activated the Campus Climate Incident Response Team to respond to this incident.

If you have any information and/or evidence about who is behind this account, we ask you to share it with Campus Safety (860-297-2222). Let us be clear: If you have information and remain silent, you are condoning this behavior in our community. It is time we all find the courage to say, "Enough!"

Sincerely,

Joanne Berger-Sweeney
President and Trinity College Professor of Neuroscience

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