

Van Ormer joins Alfred University as major gifts officer

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Ronald W. Van Ormer has joined Alfred University's Division of University Relations as a major gifts officer. In his new position, Van Ormer will be visiting Alfred University alumni and friends to raise funds for the University. "We are very pleased to welcome Ron van Ormer to the division as our director of Major Gifts. He brings a wealth of experience across a range of areas, including higher education, as well as a strong connection to our region. He is eager to begin working closely with our alumni, and is excited to meet faculty and staff across campus," said Dr. Sylvia Bryant, interim vice president for University Relations. "The more I learn about Alfred University, the more enamored I become with Alfred's history, its alumni, and the campus," said Van Ormer. "I truly feel at home and see why it is such a gem in the higher education arena." Prior to joining AU, Van Ormer was capital campaign director for The Arc of Steuben, responsible for developing a \$4.5 million campaign for the agency. He previously was corporate development officer for Rocky Mountain PBS in Denver and manager of Corporate and Foundation Relations for Thunderbird-School of Global Management in Glendale, AZ. He has also been International Programs manager and Corporate Programs coordinator at the University of Denver, and East Central European Scholarship Project coordinator for the State University of New York Research Foundation in Morrisville, NY. A native of Cazenovia, NY, Van Ormer received an associate's degree from Tompkins-Cortland Community College, and completed a B.A. degree in International Studies from the University of Colorado in Boulder. He earned a master's in Communications from the University of Denver. Van Ormer is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Finger Lakes chapter, and is a member of the Board of Directors for Rotary International in Corning No. 7120, and served as its Public Relations chair for 2006-07. Van Ormer and his family reside in Corning.