

Grants to Provide Handicapped Accessible Entrance to Herrick Library at AU

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Alfred, NY-- Two grants will help improve accessibility at Herrick Memorial Library on the Alfred University campus. A \$25,000 grant from the Guttenberg Foundation and a \$19,300 grant from the Harry S. Black and Allon Fuller Fund will cover the cost of installing a handicapped accessible entrance sidewalk and a door with required security and operation hardware. "With these funds, we will be able to install an entrance for handicapped persons that is in keeping with the spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act," said AU President Edward G. Coll, Jr. "Herrick Library is certainly one of the most widely used facilities on campus, and it is important that it have an attractive and easy-to-use entrance for people with disabilities. Not only is Herrick Memorial Library the primary library for the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Business and Engineering and Professional Studies, but it is also the training center for Information Technology Services. The new entrance will be in the 1978 wing on the north side of the building, facing Powell Campus Center. The firm of Handler, Grasso, Durfee and Associates of Rochester is designing the new entrance. Work is scheduled to be completed by the opening of the fall 2000 semester.