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## Partnership Between The Moore Center and Saint Anselm College Punctuated by Completion of MooreTOGETHER Program's First Year

*Participants celebrate friendship, learning and new opportunities; one of many ways agency and college are working together*

**MANCHESTER, N.H. – May 19, 2026** – During the fall 2025 and spring 2026 semesters, 19 clients supported by The Moore Center joined students on Saint Anselm College's campus as MooreTOGETHER fellows. The fellowship program, which recently completed its first year, is the latest in a line of initiatives developed between Saint Anselm's and The Moore Center.

All efforts are focused on increasing access to college experiences for people with intellectual disabilities as well as creating opportunities for students to work with people served by The Moore Center.

Academic opportunities offered to the fellows this past school year included student-led, professor-guided classes in adolescent psychology, public health, nursing, sociology and education. All classes consisted of small-group instruction and activities. In addition to classes, all fellows enjoyed lunch in the dining hall and engaged in fitness activities, including being a part of a walking club, participating in chair yoga, accessing the college's Carr Center gymnasium and playing pickleball.

"The MooreTOGETHER fellowship program is intentionally designed to provide inclusive and authentic experiences on a college campus," says Jen Meyer, vice president of services at The Moore Center. "Access to college life is a rite of passage for many young adults, and our innovative partnership with St. A's has allowed us to begin to reimagine what a college experience can look like for people with disabilities. We knew that this collaboration would be impactful for everyone involved, not just for the people supported by The Moore Center."

Every year, the partnership between The Moore Center and Saint Anselm grows, involving more students as interns in a variety of programs at The Moore Center and as student teachers in the fellowship program.

"As an intern, I was able to participate in the fellowship program and quickly learned that it's a group of people who care deeply for each other," shared Addie Clifford, a Saint Anselm senior with a double major in public health and psychology, who interns with The Moore Center's community-based Day Program. "It is one of the more rewarding and insightful experiences you can have, and I am grateful for the opportunity to be a part of it."

In addition to adding opportunities within the MooreTOGETHER program, leadership from Saint Anselm's and The Moore Center meet frequently to collaborate on future initiatives, all of which seek to identify and eliminate unique barriers faced by people with disabilities and grow their collective impact in the local community.

“The partnership between the college and The Moore Center is an example of what two organizations can accomplish when their missions align, they commit time and resources in a way that enhances both organizations and are not afraid to dream a little,” said Nicole Lora, executive director of Saint Anselm’s Meelia Center for Community Engagement. “The MooreTOGETHER program is just one example of a growing partnership that has powerfully impacted the lives of our students, the fellows, and the staff members involved. The magic of this program is a space where college students and fellows learn together and build relationships as students, not one serving the other, but people coming together with gifts, experiences, and time to share.”

### **About The Moore Center**

The Moore Center is an award-winning, statewide nonprofit with a legacy of serving others for over 70 years. It provides compassionate, high-quality, cost-effective services for individuals of all ages – from early intervention for children to community-based and residential supports for adults with developmental disabilities, as well as home care for seniors who wish to remain independent. Guided by a commitment to dignity, inclusion and opportunity, The Moore Center also provides training for the human services workforce. To learn more, visit [moorecenter.org](http://moorecenter.org).

### **About Saint Anselm College**

Founded in 1889, Saint Anselm College is a Top 100 national liberal arts college located in Manchester, N.H. providing a transformative undergraduate and graduate education through its Catholic and Benedictine mission. Saint Anselm is well known for the Gregory J. Grappone Humanities Institute, the New Hampshire Institute of Politics, the Jean School of Nursing and Health Sciences, and a dedication to service through the Meelia Center for Community Engagement.

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