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The Other College in our Region: Update on Colby-Sawyer College

Dr. Sue Stuebner, President, Colby-Sawyer College

Founded in 1837, Colby-Sawyer plays a central role in the vitality of the region. The college has a \$100 million economic impact on the Lake Sunapee area and is currently the largest tax payer for the Town of New London. The college enrolls approximately 1,000 undergraduates and combines a rigorous liberal arts and sciences foundation with pre-professional training. Each student completes an internship and a senior capstone research project. For the Class of 2018, 99 percent of graduates were employed within six months their graduation or had pursued graduate studies. This talk will focus on how Colby-Sawyer College intends to weather a period of sharp decline in the number of high school students in New Hampshire and the increased competition among private and public colleges in New England.

*Dr. Sue Stuebner was appointed Colby-Sawyer College's ninth president in **July 2016**. Since her arrival, she has introduced a strategic plan, implemented an enrollment plan, raised \$18 million toward the Power of Infinity Campaign, and balanced the institution's budget. Prior to Colby-Sawyer, Dr. Stuebner served as executive vice president and chief operating officer at Allegheny College in Meadville, Penn. She has spent 25 years in higher education with a focus on strategic planning and decision-making at private, regional, liberal arts colleges with endowments less than \$200 million. Dr. Stuebner earned her bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and her master's degree and doctorate from Harvard University. She and her wife Amanda have two children – Tyler (23) and Gabrielle (20).*