

Subject: Planning for Fall Instruction

Dear Continuing Students,

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, we want to assure you that UC Davis takes your health and public health seriously and that we will continue to address your and your families' concerns about campus operations.

While there is still great uncertainty regarding the future course of COVID-19, what is certain is UC Davis' commitment to delivering a world-class education.

In response to COVID-19, some of you chose to return home for spring quarter, while many of you have either stayed in Davis or sheltered in place elsewhere, whether in the United States or abroad. Many of you have already registered for our remote Summer Sessions; there are still available slots.

We know you have questions about fall quarter at UC Davis.

This message is addressed primarily to undergraduates and focuses on undergraduate instruction. We will be sending a separate message to graduate students, and each school will communicate with its professional degree seekers. Although certain details may vary, the commitment and principles behind them remain constant across the entire university.

We are currently making plans to resume many activities on campus this fall and offer a significant number of our courses in person, always following state and county public health guidelines. Given the circumstances, a sizeable number of courses will be delivered solely in virtual formats. Others may have both in-person and remote alternatives.

We are also preparing for increased on-campus housing and dining options, along with modified student services.

Above all, we want you to know that if you are unable or decide not to be on campus this fall, for whatever reason, UC Davis is prepared to offer you remote instruction for the fall quarter so you can continue to make degree progress.

The great majority of classes you need will be available in a remote mode. A limited number may not be. If you find that a course you require for academic progress is only offered in person, we will work with you to see how best to meet your needs, either via an alternative remote course or in another way.

Finally, if there are fall courses that are both in-person and remote, students who may have had to begin the class remotely from an off-campus location can later join the in-person class, limited by any public health directives about the size of in-person gatherings in effect at that time.

Over the coming weeks and months we will share more specifics as soon as we can confirm them.

As always, your college academic advisors will help you find the courses you need to make progress towards your degree. Please contact your academic advisor with any questions when it is the right time for you to make your course selections.

International Students: your SISS advisor is the best source of information for issues related to your I-20, F-1 or J-1 status, and work authorization questions.

Thank you for your patience and resilience in these unprecedented times. We want to support your passion and determination to achieve your educational goals and earn your UC Davis degree. Go Ags!

Sincerely,

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