

COVID-19 Communication Update

Update for Undergraduate and Graduate Students

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From: Todd Jokl, Dean of RIT's College of Art and Design

Dear College of Art and Design students,

I hope this message finds you and your families all doing well. Many of you have questions as to how the remainder of the spring semester is going to unfold based on the ongoing situation with the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19.

Your wellbeing is of the utmost importance to us. And so we are doing everything we can to determine alternative methods of delivering content for your courses starting on March 23rd.

I want to assure you that you have the full support of the college as we work toward a goal to ensure a successful completion of your spring semester. Your faculty, your College of Art and Design staff, academic advisors and student advisors will be helping you through this process. You should expect to hear from your faculty next week with more information about each of your courses. And, of course, students utilizing Access Services and DSO will continue to be supported through our alternative academic approaches for the spring semester.

During next week's extended spring break, labs, studios, and shops are open and we are following the break hours schedule through March 22. We will be working on an access schedule for our facilities and resources starting on March 23. We are also looking into various technology solutions. More details will be shared next week.

All end-of-year activities, such as capstone projects, thesis shows, exhibitions, and screenings are being prioritized and determined as well.

At present, please email your questions to coronavirusresponse@rit.edu and continue to check rit.edu/coronavirus for updates.

Again, I thank you for your patience during this time. Together, we will rise to meet this challenge and support you and your creative academic endeavors.

Sincerely,

Todd Jokl