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MEMORANDUM

TO: University Faculty

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DATE: March 26, 2020

SUBJECT: Summer Sessions Communication to Faculty

Given the uncertainty surrounding the length of time it will take the coronavirus epidemic to recede, the University has determined that all 2020 Summer Session instruction, including co-curricular activities in Summer Sessions 1, 2, and 3, will be offered only through distance and/or remote learning (no in-person instruction) modalities.

By April 10, 2020, faculty scheduled to teach summer session courses in-person or in blended modalities must confer with their department chairs and deans to discuss their willingness to teach scheduled in-person courses through remote learning modalities. Faculty should also discuss with their deans whether they are willing to teach any converted courses that may be low-enrolled through the Voluntary Alternative Compensation Model, as well as their plans to convert summer courses to a distance learning modality.

If faculty have questions concerning whether teaching through remote learning might have an impact on accreditation, licensure, certification, or other similar issues, they should confer with the department chair or dean.

The current approval process for DL conversion will be temporarily suspended for courses scheduled in any of the 2020 summer sessions.