

School of Nursing COVID-19 Update

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Dear Faculty,

COVID-19 is providing us with challenges to our learning environment, but this is not the first such challenge in our careers. Many of you will remember how previous epidemics changed clinical practice and forged new medical treatments for disease. In my c

- The campus and residence halls remain open; each student can use his/her discretion regarding remaining on campus.
- Our plan is aligned with the Oregon State Board of Nursing and our national accreditors.

Dr. Smith and I are holding a live Q & A with students at 4 p.m. today. Feel free to [watch live through this Zoom link](#), but allow students to have in-person seating. We will record and distribute.

Thank you for working closely with us as we apply lessons learned from previous epidemics to what we are now experiencing with COVID-19.

Student Life

Counseling center to remain open over spring break. With the current environment, our counselors, Kate and Austin, have graciously offered to work during spring break. Hours will remain the same as other weeks:

- Monday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Tuesday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Wednesday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Thursday: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Residents, a friendly reminder to let Mackenzie know if you aren't feeling well so we can check in with you and provide wellness kits if needed.

While classes will be going to online, we want to remind you that campus remains open and the Residence Halls will remain open as well.

Social distancing will be applied to all face-to-face encounters

The CDC recommends maintaining a six foot distance between employees in offices and worksites. The state of Oregon is asking for the community to limit in-person meetings and non-essential travel. They suggest to stagger schedules where possible.

Library

Following are the Portland Campus Library hours of operation starting Friday, March 13, and through the end of spring break:

- Friday, March 13: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
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- Friday, March 20: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Spring Break hours:

- Saturday and Sunday, March 21 and 22 library closed
- Monday –

184 pending confirmation

920 persons under investigation (PUI)

733 persons under monitoring (PUM)

! Cases located in counties with clinical sites

! Clackamas: 2

! Deschutes: 6

! Marion: 3

! Multnomah: 2 (1 death)

! Polk: 1

! Washington: 14

Washington: [Overview of number of cases and counties impacted](#)

! Total confirmed cases: 904

! Cases located in counties with clinical sites

! Clark: 2 (2 deaths)

National recommendations for Schools of Nursing

- [AACN webinar series](#) (free and open to the public)
- [ACEN memo](#)
- [CCNE guidance](#)
- [Excellent article](#)
- [Interactive dashboard](#)
- [CDC](#)
- [WA Department of Health](#)
- [AACN Resources](#)
- [AACN Recommendations](#)