

April 2, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

Happy April! I was a bit concerned that if I sent an update yesterday no one would take it seriously.

Thank you for all you are doing. Below please find all of the questions we received through Tuesday evening along with brief responses.

There is only one additional announcement: **All student holds will be lifted on April 6.** This is a decision by my office because I strongly feel it gives us the best possibility for registering the greatest number of students for the fall term. If you have questions about this, please send them to me directly.

Stay safe and be well,

Steve

<b>Question or Concern</b>	<b>Division Head or Dir. and Comment (if any)</b>	<b>Response (Germic and Sjostrom)</b>
How will courses be assessed this semester?	Mark Osterlund, Reser	No class or program assessment is required for this semester.
Will students complete rating forms for this semester, and how will those impact future evaluations?	Mark Osterlund, Reser	No. They have been canceled.
Is the college in financial trouble?	Reser	No. We are fine at present.
Related to finances, is there a chance that jobs will get cut?	Reser	Before July? No.  Next year is more complicated and depends on revenues. We are already planning for savings within overall personnel budgets, but not through cutting. At this time there is no plan to

		cut anyone, though there may be fewer adjunct needs due to what we anticipate will be a lower than expected incoming class and greater than expected returning student attrition. We wish we could guarantee that there will be no cuts, but we just can't make that promise at this time. As we have in the past, we are doing all we can to protect all personnel.
With the uncertainty of the COVID-19 timetable, is there a chance that we will also have to teach online next fall? Will this affect positions, money, etc?	Reser	Yes, there is a chance we will have to be online next fall.  And position issues will be affected by resources, not whether we are online or not.
Is there a protocol for engaging unresponsive students?	Osterlund	There is the alert system run by Steven Peterman. <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSduSioX-TSggedLet_sXqriXGri82iIDJMTG99mvoEAlk8Q/viewform">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSduSioX-TSggedLet_sXqriXGri82iIDJMTG99mvoEAlk8Q/viewform</a>
Have we made a decision on whether or not summer courses will be online only?	Smith	We should prepare them for online delivery.
Regarding the P/NP option, are students compelled to tell their professors if they have chosen that option? Can professors ask individual students?	Reser	Students do not have to choose P/NP until the end of the term. I suppose professors can ask; however, since the professor will submit a letter grade anyway, we are not sure why asking is relevant.