

Dear SCU Community,

I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an update concerning SCU's COVID-19 response. At this time, SCU has **no confirmed cases** of COVID-19 within our community. Thank you for diligently following the recommended [Staying Healthy Guidelines](#). By supporting the most recent recommendations from leading public health authorities, SCU has a significant part to play in the collaborative and united response to this local, national, and global public health threat. As we continue to enhance an optimal social distancing environment on campus and allowing employees with the flexibility to care for family and loved ones at home, individuals will be provided the opportunity to work remotely on a department-by-department basis. Specific department leadership will communicate the details on timing, availability, and expectations of working remotely. Information Technology will be reaching out with specific information concerning remote technical requirements and appropriate support in a separate email. We will continue to monitor the health risks of our community and our remote work policy.

As anticipated, many academic classes will be launching online tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18. In reaching these critical decisions, the University has remained sensitive to needs of our entire community, particularly to the students and patients we serve. Further, while certain staff members may be working remotely and many classes delivered online, our campus and University Health Center will remain open as a resource to our students, patients, and employees. Should you have questions that are not specifically addressed on the [SCU COVID-19 website](#), please do not hesitate to reach out to your supervisor or faculty member for guidance.

Most importantly, while we may not be together physically as a community, social distancing does not mean we have to be isolated. SCU is an extremely friendly, caring, and supportive community. Keep engaged through our online communities, connect digitally, and yes—even use your smart device and actually call someone. Be sure to take care of yourself and support each other. Continue to follow the recommended staying healthy guidelines and remain safe.

Thank you in advance for your patience and resiliency during this challenging time. Your hard work and dedication is deeply appreciated.

With much gratitude,

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