

MEMO

To: SJU Community

From: Peter Meehan, President and Vice Chancellor
Cristina Vanin, Interim Vice President Academic and Dean
Mike Gourlay, Executive Director, Finance and Administration

Date: June 4, 2021

Subject: June Update – Campus Response Team

As we begin the month of June, the Senior Administrative Team continues to focus on planning for a gradual return to normal campus activity. These plans focus on protecting the health and well-being of our community and continue to be guided by the Government of Ontario, Public Health, and the University of Waterloo (UW). In particular, we are working with UW on common shared spaces, masking, and appropriate distancing measures.

Our efforts are working toward an ultimate goal of returning to normal, full on-campus activity that does not include hybrid work models. Cristina Vanin and Veronica Austen worked with faculty to finalize the course options available in fall 2021. Department directors will be reaching out to staff over the month of June to discuss their preferences and concerns for in-person/on-campus work in the fall term. The Registrar's Office and Student Affairs are focused on finalizing admissions pieces for students and confirming residence numbers.

Together we share a hope and optimism that as the third wave of the pandemic calms and more people are vaccinated, it will allow us to safely return on-campus. If you have any concerns about your important place in supporting this transition back, please reach out directly to your manager. We will continue to keep you updated as more information becomes available.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Return to Campus Planning and Priorities

- Compliance assessments continue to take place to ensure that our campus remains safe for those people working in essential services on campus.
- Our Vice President Academic and Dean and Associate Dean continue to monitor news from UWATERLOO daily to help guide plans for fall term.
- Our IT Team continues to work on upgrading our Wi-Fi service on campus.
- Access to SJU campus buildings remains restricted and will continue to be provided on an individual request basis. Please direct requests as follows:

STAFF

Any access to buildings or offices requires authorization from your direct supervisor, Mike Gourlay, Executive Director, Finance and Administration, and Tom Slaby, Director, Facilities. Please indicate to Mike if you are looking for more regular access to campus while we are in lockdown status.

ACADEMIC STAFF AND RESEARCHERS

Academic Staff and Researchers: Any access to buildings or offices will need the authorization of Cristina Vanin, Interim VP Academic and Dean. Please indicate to Cristina if you are looking for more regular campus access while we are in lockdown status.

Month-at-a-glance timelines and events

- Tuesday CRT meetings continue to occur on a weekly basis.
- June 11th, 7:30 p.m. – The Lectures in Catholic Experience presents its final online lecture in the “Hope in the Time of COVID!” series, featuring Zachary Munro speaking about [“No Power Higher: 12-Step Recovery without God.”](#)
- June 13th, 2:00 p.m. – ONLINE SJU Graduation Ceremony with live and recorded elements. Everyone welcome to attend! Please register using this [link](#).

Responses to your RT submissions

- There have been no employee RT submissions to either the “CRT Feedback” or “Campus Compliance Concern” options to date. We look forward to responding to your enquiries as they are received.