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Dear students,

We have heard from many students who want to know what summer and fall 2020 courses will be like for Western Oregon University. After lengthy discussion and faculty efforts, we have formulated a plan; however, I ask for your understanding in that WOU continues to be subject to decisions by external partners such as Governor's Executive Orders and the K-12 school system.

Summer 2020 courses

All classes will be remote or online, and registration has begun. Students who are planning to do off-campus credit-earning internships and practicums should discuss options with their advisers, as those practices will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Summer courses will be assessed at the "online course" tuition rate, which is \$228 per credit. There are no campus fees charged in this tuition structure. Because summer term marks the beginning of the financial aid year, students who enroll in summer courses may receive financial assistance over four terms instead of three (fall-spring). Contact Financial Aid for more information about that option.

Fall 2020 courses

Our top hope for fall classes is to maximize in-person learning. While we wait for an update from the governor and health experts, we ask for your patience. Rest assured we are meeting regularly, looking for creative solutions for whatever our eventual reality might be.

Through all our discussions, we continue to be committed to personalized support, to helping students reach their educational goals while balancing the health and safety of WOU students and our community. We are developing scenarios and hope to have an answer for you in coming months.

Please continue to take care of yourselves, to maintain social distancing and to practice self-care. We will get through these trying times and emerge stronger as Wolves.

Sincerely,

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