



Students –

We hope you had a relaxing and safe spring break. As always, NDSCS is committed to keeping entire community safe, and we have made some adjustments in response to the current COVID-19 situation. Please review these important reminders and updates:

Academics

As we announced prior to Spring Break, NDSCS will facilitate all **teaching and learning remotely, through varied distance delivery methods from March 23 through April 3**. To the greatest extent possible, faculty will utilize technology to enable student learning through distance and online delivery methods. This will vary based on the course/class.

Students will be expected to:

- Check their e-mail and NDSCS Online with instructions about how learning will be facilitated for all their courses March 23 – April 3. Through email, NDSCS Online, and other typical communication methods faculty members will share their expectations for course assignments, participation and engagement.
- Meet expectations outlined by faculty during this time just as they would if the course were being held face-to-face.
- Participate in their clinical, field experience, internships, and SOE (this will be communicated by faculty members).

If you have specific questions about a course or assignment, we encourage you to contact your instructor. If you are encountering other difficulties, such as financial needs or not having the technology resources needed to complete your classes, we encourage you to contact the Student Success Center at 701.671.3000 or complete the student concern form (be sure to include your name for adequate follow-up) at www.ndscs.edu/concern.

Services

Students are **not** encouraged to return to campus unless *absolutely* necessary.

- Residential Life facilities are only accessible to those students that have signed up prior to the distance and online learning weeks due to extenuating circumstances. Limited dining options are available to these students.
- All events and student activities have been cancelled through April 5.
- The Hektner Student Center Game Room and the Blikre Activities Center are closed until further notice.
- Counseling Services are available to students through technology during distance and online education weeks. To set up an appointment, call 701-671-2286.
- Accessibility Services is available. Call 701-671-2623 or schedule an appointment at <https://calendly.com/mindibessler>.
- Tutoring will be available; watch your email for specific tutoring options and times during the distance and online learning weeks.



Health and Safety

We encourage you to stay healthy through these [preventive practices](#):

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Practice social distancing and do not gather with more than 10 individuals at a time.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

We all need to be responsible and thoughtful community members. Although the virus has had less effect on young people, remember that you could still carry the disease to a relative, elderly neighbor, or fellow student more vulnerable to infections. Stay informed with trusted sources; follow recommendations to not gather with more than 10 individuals at a time. Be sure you understand when and how you may need to self-quarantine — be honest in your follow-through.

Information and Updates

Please continue to refer to the ndscs.edu/COVID-19 web page as a reference for current information related to our response to COVID-19. We will evaluate the situation and communicate a decision by the end of the week of March 30, with potential to resume face-to-face classes on April 6.

If you have questions about any of the above information, please call the NDSCS Student Success Center at 701-671-3000.

Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we adapt to this constantly evolving situation.

Stay well, thank you!

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