

Tuesday July 7, 2020

Dear School of Criminal Justice community members,

I write to follow up on President Holloway's and Chancellor Cantor's messages and to summarize the School of Criminal Justice's plan for Fall 2020. I know that all of us have been anxiously awaiting this update. I hope the information provided below provides what people need to begin planning for the fall. Please reach out to us (contact information for staff is provided at the end of this note) if you have any questions or would like to talk about your needs for the fall.

Take care.



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School of Criminal Justice Fall 2020 Plan

Our plan prioritizes the health and safety of our community; it is, of course, contingent on continued progress being made across our community and our state in mitigating the effects of COVID-19.

Our plan for the fall is as follows:

- We are currently planning to teach our classes remotely (e.g., via WebEx) with a mix of synchronous and asynchronous modes, but are also exploring options to offer courses in a hybrid format, as well as fully face to face formats, keeping in mind the needs of our faculty, staff, and students and compiling with safety guidelines.
- Instructors will hold regularly scheduled virtual office hours (see their individual web-pages)
- Our academic advisors will be available by email and for online appointments. Appointments can be made via RUN4Success (<https://myrun.newark.rutgers.edu/run4success> or by sending an email to our staff (see contacts at the bottom of this note). We will bring scheduling in-person meetings for students when health and safety conditions allow them.
- We will provide updates through email, social media, and our school websites so please check them regularly.

The University has put several plans in place that are especially important for students. These include the following:

- The Dana Library Computing Facility and the Law Library Computing Facility will be open to students on a drop-in basis (with social distancing and cleaning supplies provided). As well, a new 'Virtual Lab' Service will provide access to the facilities' computers remotely. For details go to: <https://runit.rutgers.edu/labs/>.
- The University has created a new RU-N Launch Pad for student technology. It will guide students through all available tools and help them attain high levels of comfort and proficiency with required technologies. RU-N Launch Pad will also provide advice on hardware and software needs and availability
- Rutgers Kite+Key Tech Store will provide discounts for some computing resources. Students can review these by logging in with their NetID.
- The University Software Portal (<https://software.rutgers.edu/>) provides free software (e.g., anti-virus and Microsoft Office 365) as well as software at greatly discounted rate.
- The myRUN technological resources page (<https://myrun.newark.rutgers.edu/covid-technology-resources>) has a list of providers offering free Wi-Fi during COVID 19.
- The RU-N Learning Center (<https://myrun.newark.rutgers.edu/learning-center>) and Writing Center (<https://myrun.newark.rutgers.edu/writing-center>), and Accounting will provide "real time" virtual appointments throughout the Fall 2020 semester.
- The RU-N counselling center will continue to provide virtual appointments. Students can make appointment at <https://myrun.newark.rutgers.edu/counseling-center>

Please read Rutgers University -- Newark plan [<https://www.newark.rutgers.edu/chancellors-message-ru-n-community-returning-fall-2020>] for additional details.

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