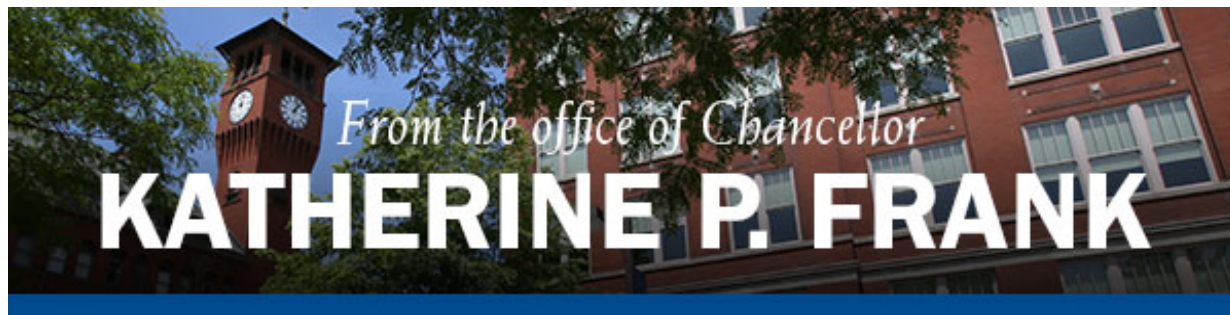


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Dear faculty, staff, and students:

The health and safety of the UW-Stout community is our top priority, which is why we are taking action today. Let me emphasize that we have no confirmed cases of COVID-19 coronavirus on campus, in Menomonie, or across Dunn County. We are in close contact with our local public health officials to monitor the situation. However, it is clear that proactive COVID-19 control measures necessitate the following:

Instruction

- Beginning March 23 through April 5, there will be no face-to-face instruction. However, all courses will continue, and faculty will use alternative methods of delivery. Course structure and learning expectations will be communicated clearly to students by instructors. Hence, students should take all of their instructional materials and essential personal items (computers, medications, and valuables) home with them when they depart campus for spring break. Further information for residence hall students is forthcoming.
- Advisement Day will not occur face-to-face; however, we will determine the alternative deliveries for this event, and details will be communicated to the university community.
- We will notify the university community by March 30th if alternative course delivery methods will be utilized after April 5th.
- We are working with students studying abroad in western Europe on their immediate return to the U.S. Per earlier communication to campus, students studying in South Korea and Italy have already returned.

Travel

- We are cancelling all university-sponsored study away programs for the duration of the semester (including spring break week).
- University-sponsored travel for employees is cancelled through the end of the semester for areas severely impacted by [COVID-19](#). Please recognize that this list may change.
- We strongly discourage employees and students from embarking on any non-essential travel (both domestic and international) until the end of the semester. (NCAA athletic events will continue as scheduled for now. Please note that this could change.)

Events and Programs

- University-sponsored and external events with expected attendance of more than 50 are cancelled starting Sunday, March 15th and continuing through April 5.
- All student organization meetings and programs scheduled from March 15 through April 5 are also cancelled.

Even though in-person instruction will not occur through April 5, the campus will remain open and employees are expected to come to work.

We realize there will be a myriad of questions, as this is an evolving situation. We encourage everyone to check our COVID-19 [website](#) for updates. Additionally, we have created an email address for submission of questions that will be answered by appropriate offices: covid19update@uwstout.edu

As logistics are finalized, we will send details to campus and specific stakeholder groups.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we work through this challenging situation.

Best regards,



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