



From the Dean's Desk

The summer of 2020 saw us learning and working remotely. This 42nd *From the Dean's Desk* takes a look at what we can expect for the fall 2020 semester, with classes resuming on August 24, and perhaps into the spring semester as we continue to cope with the coronavirus COVID-19.

UCF is in regular consultation with health officials and continues to evaluate and update procedures and plans for returning to campus. Though we are a satellite campus, we follow the guidance of main campus for the safety and health of students, faculty and staff. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection will occur across campus with increased cleaning frequency in common areas and high-touch point areas consistent with CDC guidance to institutions of higher education. Face coverings are required to be worn in all inside common spaces or when in close proximity to others. Faculty, staff and students can receive one UCF logo face covering from a distribution site on main campus or from the vending machine at Rosen College located near the bookstore. Classroom capacity has been modified to support physical distancing and courses that do not fit within available space on campus will be taught remotely. There will be a hybrid scenario with a mix of face-to-face, mixed mode, and online courses. You may find the entire return to campus plan on the UCF website at <https://www.ucf.edu/>



We understand that this is a stressful time coping with COVID-19, financial concerns, academic achievement and more, and we want to assure you that we will be compassionate and empathetic. UCF also has services to help. Students have access as needed to UCF's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Students who need assistance, including after hours, can reach out to CAPS by calling 407-823-2811 or visiting <http://caps.sdes.ucf.edu>.

Because risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place, we can expect that Rosen College and UCF will not be immune from its impact. If you or someone you know tests positive for COVID-19, here are the steps you should to take:

- Stay home, self-isolate and avoid contact with other people and social gatherings.
- Follow the instructions of your healthcare provider for testing or treatment.
- Call the [UCF COVID Line at 407-823-2509](https://www.ucf.edu/ucf-covid-line) if you test positive.

We understand the past several months have been challenging and that things may look different than we are used to, but as Knights, we'll get through this together!

Charge On!

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