Dear PharmD Students,

Happy Friday! Here is an update on some important information that I’d like to share with you.

**CLASS-SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

**P1 STUDENTS**
- **Tuesday Schedule:** Each student has been assigned to groups for the required in-person labs and skills sessions for the Fall semester. You will receive a separate email with all of the class dates, times, and room locations. **Be sure to mark your calendars with your schedule.** **NOTE for Fully Remote Students:** you will be required to participate remotely on the Tuesday P501 and P506 skills sessions. You will receive a separate email with your schedule information.

**GENERAL INFORMATION (applies to all)**

- **Landing Space for Commuter Students:** We are working on identifying space for commuter students for days when there is not enough time between classes to travel to/from home to school. Because space on campus will be very limited due to social distancing requirements, commuter space will need to be based on need. Please complete [this survey](#) by Tuesday, August 25 to help our planning.

- **College Grading Policy for PharmD Program:** You may have seen that the Provost sent out the final undergraduate grading plan for 2020-2021 academic year, [Undergraduate Course Grading for Academic Year 2020-21](#). It differs from the winter 2020 grading system as there can no longer be a “grade masking” system and the course withdrawal date will be later. College leadership is meeting to determine how this program will be incorporated into our PharmD program with consideration as to
how we handle academic progression, scholarships, Rho Chi, etc. I expect to have a final decision for you by next week. Grading has been a popular question in the PharmD Q & A page. If you have a strong opinion on this, I’d love to hear it by the end of this weekend. Hit me up at muellerb@umich.edu.

- **Room Reservations at the College:** In order to maximize safety precautions, minimize the risk of COVID transmission, and allow for university cleaning schedules, we will not be allowing students to reserve rooms in the College of Pharmacy at this time. We will continue to monitor conditions to determine if changes are warranted.

- **Student Safety Protocols for In-Person Interactions (PharmD):** The purpose of this document is to ensure that pharmacy students are following appropriate safety protocols during class activities that occur in close physical proximity to others and during in-person patient care interactions. These rules apply to activities associated with courses, community health events, and life-long learning activities. Site policies should be followed for all introductory pharmacy practice experiences (IPPE) and advanced pharmacy practice experiences (APPE).

- **Classroom Changes for Some Hybrid (in-person) Courses:** In the past week, we were able to secure a few larger classrooms that will allow more students to attend in person if they want. Be sure to check Wolverine Access to see the most current classroom assignments. Classes that had changes on some days are MedChem 600 (on Wednesday), PharmSci 508 (on Monday and Friday), Pharmacy 506 (on Thursday), Pharmacy 200 (on Tuesday and Thursday), and PharmSci 300 (on Tuesday and Thursday).

- **PharmD Exam Dates** have been finalized (see Exam and Events Calendar). Fortunately, we were able to get rooms so we could schedule most exams during the day. In order to meet social distancing requirements, all exams will take place in two rooms. Students will be assigned to a room for all exams, and seating charts within each room will be used. Information will be shared by course coordinators prior to each exam so you know what room/seat to go to.

- **“Sites @ Home” Laptop Loaner Program:** In recognition of the technology barrier created by the pandemic and in support of a healthy, safe, and caring environment, ITS created the Sites @ Home laptop loaner program. It is available to students on the Ann Arbor campus to support your academic needs for up to two semesters. Click HERE for more program details.

- **Safe Computing and Printing On Campus:** ITS would like to encourage everyone to take advantage of the safe printing option, MPrint Mobile App with Follow Me. This
allows "touchless" release of print jobs on-demand, preventing contact with the
device and unnecessary sifting through other print jobs to find your job. Additional
resources about computing, remote access, and related topics are available in the ITS
Remote Resource Guide.

❖ Room Safety: Dean Ellingrod and I toured the building today to see if we are ready for
classes. Good news, WE ARE! See Dean Ellingrod sitting in class at one of the
designated seats in photo below. To ensure social distancing, seats with a red X on
them are not to be used as seats. Zoom in on photo... There is at least 6 feet
distancing for everyone! Room capacities have been limited, for example there can
only be 30 students in this room (NUB 2544).

Answers to most of your questions have already been answered here: PharmD Student
Q&A Page. If you have new questions, please ask on that page for a prompt response.

Have a great weekend and keep practicing social distancing!

Sincerely,
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