

3/11/2020 – COVID-19 Update

Dear COM Students,

I'm writing to update you on how we will proceed relative to COVID-19.

Public Health Program Students: Your lectures will be delivered on line for the remainder of the semester. Dr. Morley will be in touch with more details.

MS1: Your lectures will be recorded and you can access them as you normally do. Small groups and in-person experiences will be temporarily suspended. You can decide whether or not you'd like to return to Syracuse at this time. We anticipate content delivery to be on line for at least the next three weeks. Dr. Lesperance will be in touch with you next week with details.

MS2: The Friday Unit 6 exam will proceed as scheduled. We will move the Pathology exam from March 26 to March 18 and we will cancel the Microbiology/Immunology exam. More details will be forthcoming from Dr. Lesperance.

MS 3 & 4 Clinical Rotations: Will continue as scheduled except that students will not work with patients who have or are suspected of having COVID-19.

MS4 Match Week Activities: Even though the University will be limiting gatherings to 50 people or fewer, the Pre-Match Dinner Dance and Match Day will still happen. However, in order to minimize community spread, we have to limit both of these events to fourth year students only. Refunds for dinner dance guests will be refunded by the Campus Activities Office. The Match Day Ceremony, on March 20, will include the highly anticipated video, awards ceremony, and distribution of the long-awaited envelopes. We have arranged for live streaming, for friends/family members and will get access information to you by next Wednesday.

MS4 March into Residency: Effective now, this course is concluded and there will be no further requirements.

I will host an open office hour tomorrow, Thursday, March 12 from noon-1pm should any of you wish to stop by.

Dr. Chin