

March 17, 2020

**To All First Nations University of Canada Students,**

The University is presently in an emergency situation and we must all adapt to the current circumstances regarding COVID-19 and the effect it's having on the entire University setting, including the transition to the delivery of all courses through distance learning delivery methods. Our students are the main priority and we understand many have questions and concerns. University Senior Management, Faculty and Administration are working diligently to ensure this transition is facilitated with much consideration as possible. We want to provide all levels of support and guidance to all students as you continue with the semester.

All faculty and sessional instructors will provide students with a communication on the method of course delivery by Friday, March 20, 2020. All face-to-face instruction will cease, and only distance delivery options will be available.

Students, please check your uregina email and UR Courses. Emails from your professors & instructors will go either to your uregina.ca email or UR Courses.

**Course Delivery Info:** Instructors will use **Lifesize** and **UR Courses** and/or other tools they identify to continue course delivery. If you are not currently familiar with Lifesize, UR Courses or other tools the instructor identifies, please advise your instructor on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> for more information and links.

**Final Exams:** FNUUniv instructors will notify students about final exam expectations. There will be no face to face exams and all instructors have been notified of their responsibility to communicate final exam expectations to their students. No communication regarding exams should be expected during the period Monday, March 16 to Thursday, March 19.

**Withdrawal Deadline:** The deadline date has been extended until March 23, 2020.

FNUUniv will continue to provide essential services to students, where possible. Always continue to practice social distancing and proper hygiene precautions.

**Libraries:**

- At this time, libraries will remain open with increased cleaning and monitoring. However, circumstances may require these facilities to close.

- There are increased online resources being made available through the University of Regina library portal. Please check for the availability of the resources you need from that portal before coming to the University.
- Material renewals can be made by calling the Campus Library location directly (toll-free 1.800.267.6303).
- At this time, computer labs will remain closed at Regina Campus; Saskatoon and Northern Campus computer labs will be monitored and may close without advanced notice.

### **Student Success Services:**

- Academic Advisors and Retention Specialists will continue to work with students via virtual tools, like LifeSize video-conferencing, other video calling tools like FaceTime, and/or phones;
- Wellness Counsellors are available for phone or virtual counselling. Notices have been posted on various social media sites. Students, please take advantage of this opportunity if you need assistance;
- Tutoring and Writing Clinics will continue via phone or virtual one-to-one sessions;
- Campus Elders: we have asked our Campus Elders to remain at home for their own health and safety, however, if you require Elder Services, please contact Kim Fraser-Saddleback.
- There are some opportunities for financial assistance being made available to FNUUniv students. Please contact your campus Retention Specialist or Student Advisor.

### **pamināwasowin Child Care Centre:**

- The Child Care Centre remains open with regular hours; however, this may change depending upon any further updates from the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Advanced Education;
- Parents and/or Guardians will be notified of any changes immediately.

The FNUUniv website has been updated to include a **COVID-19 Update** link.

We will be sending out more information as we work through these rapidly changing circumstances. Again, thank you very much for your professionalism and FNUUniv will continue to our students as we work through this transition.

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