



SUBJECT: UNIVERSITY NOTIFICATION

DATE: April 27, 2020

Dear NDNU Community Members,

Video Message from Interim President Dan Carey

We miss our students and everyone in our campus community! Watch a [video message](#) from President Dan Carey that includes glimpses of what's happening on campus while you're engaged in remote learning and sheltering in place.

CARES Act Funding

Via the CARES Act, the federal government is making grants to colleges and universities to help students manage the economic impacts of COVID-19. NDNU has applied for and expects to receive CARES Act funds for students. These funds will be used to aid NDNU students during the coming year. We are working to determine which students will be eligible for these funds, criteria for dollar amounts to be provided to students, and when funds will be distributed. We will provide further information as it becomes available.

Registration Reminder

Registration for summer and fall 2020 courses is now open, but with restrictions.

- Traditional undergraduates: Only students who can complete their degrees by spring 2021 may register for summer and/or fall.
- All other students: Registration for fall is restricted to students who can complete their degrees by spring 2021,* but summer registration is not restricted for these students. To register, first work with your academic advisor to plan your courses and degree completion pathway. Your advisor will enable registration after meeting with you.

Please register soon!

We want to serve all students who can reasonably graduate by spring 2021. To do that we must plan courses and services for students who will return in fall 2020. Please register by May 15, 2020, to ensure that we include your degree completion pathway in our course planning.

Outstanding balances and registration

To enable registration for summer and fall 2020 courses, all Business Office holds have been lifted for all student populations. However, students must reduce any past due balances to \$2,500 or less by Wednesday, August 5, 2020. Students whose balances are not paid down by this date will be dropped from their fall 2020 classes. After August 5, 2020, we will make any needed modifications to course offerings based on enrollment.

*Note: In the near future, one or more graduate programs in the School of Education and Psychology may not have this restriction. Check with your advisor.

In-Person Commencement to Be Held in May 2021

Commencement for the Class of 2020 is now planned as in-person event to take place on the weekend of May 8–9, 2021, the same weekend as Commencement for the Class of 2021. Depending on the number of participants, these events may be scheduled separately or as one larger event. Please keep an eye on the Commencement web page for information. All Commencement planning will be aligned with national, state, and regional guidelines regarding COVID-19. NDNU will provide as much advance notice as is possible regarding the event.

Shelter-in-Place Status

We remain in “Shelter-in-place” status. As of April 22, 2020 San Mateo County issued an [order](#) requiring members of the public and workers at essential businesses to wear face coverings outside the home for certain activities and in places of business. Belmont City has also enforced this order requiring all members using Belmont’s open space trails to wear a face covering. For more information [Click Here](#).

We urge you to please follow [national](#), [world health organization](#) , [state](#) and [regional news](#) to stay updated on most recent updates.

Please continuously refer to our [FAQ page](#) for most recent updates on the Future of NDNU .

Course Withdrawal Dates Extended

Due to COVID-19, NDNU is temporarily altering some policies for the Spring 2020 semester to accommodate our students. [Please read more here](#) .