Coronavirus Update - Tentative Return to On-Campus Classes on July 6

Based on existing projections about COVID-19, TTUHSC has decided to extend online instruction for on-campus academic classes through June 2020. At this time, on-campus academic classes are expected to resume on Monday, July 6. Due to the unpredictable nature of the pandemic, this date may need to be postponed even further. If so, we will communicate any changes as the situation evolves.

Schedules for existing distance learning courses and programs remain unchanged. In addition, this notice does not apply to students engaged in essential research functions or clinical rotations. Students should continue to communicate with their direct supervisors or program directors regarding research and clinical rotations. Those decisions will continue to be made on a case-by-case basis.

The TTUHSC COVID-19 webpage will be the primary source of information and updates related to university operations. Please continue to visit the website for ongoing updates and resources.

TTUHSC COVID-19 Webpage: https://www.ttuhsc.edu/coronavirus/
Easier Full-Text Access Using LibKey Nomad

LibKey Nomad is a browser extension for Google Chrome that simplifies downloading TTUHSC full text articles while researching on the internet especially when you are off campus. For more information on how to download the extension, please see the TTUHSC Libraries’ webpage: https://ttuhsc.libanswers.com/faq/271039.

Need Help Finding Peer-Reviewed Articles?

If you have a class assignment that requires finding peer-reviewed articles, the TTUHSC Library has a webpage that helps you identifies different methods on locating and accessing peer-reviewed articles: https://ttuhsc.libguides.com/PeerReview.

Financial Aid Reminders for 19-20 School Year

Students may accept any of their remaining loan eligibility by logging into the WebRaider portal and accessing their financial award offer. If a student originally declined a loan offer and would now like to accept some of the funds, please email Financial.Aid@ttuhsc.edu and request your loan offers be reopened. Please be sure to include your name and R# in the email. Students may accept funds up until the week before their semester ends.

IPE Multimedia Contest - Deadline Extended

Calling all Student Organizations! Would you like to earn $700 for your student organization while having fun within your student group? The IPE Multimedia Contest is a great opportunity for student organizations to work collaboratively to develop original submissions showcasing IPE tenants. Feeling a little cooped up? This is a perfect project to get your student group online together and have a little fun! First and second place prizes will be awarded to the student organizations with the top scoring multimedia programs, as deemed by a panel of judges. Entry deadline has been extended through 4/30/2020. Please see the Office of Interprofessional Education website for more information at https://www.ttuhsc.edu/interprofessional-education/ipe_multimedia_contest_information_page.aspx or give us a call at (865) 743-9190.

TTUHSC Writing Center is here to help all students, researchers, faculty, and staff!

We are 100% online, free, and open to faculty, researchers, students, residents, and staff on all TTUHSC campuses. To submit, go to https://app4.ttuhsc.edu/WritingCenter/ after logging in with your eRaider and upload your draft.

We are experts on:

- research papers, grant proposals, book projects;
- fellowship and residency applications, scholarship essays;
- career documents including c.v., résumés, cover letters, poster presentations;
- writing assignments for all courses at TTUHSC.
Telehealth Access to The Counseling Center at TTUHSC

During this time of unprecedented unknowns and uncertainty, the one thing we can be sure of is that managing your mental and physical health is critical to your wellbeing and takes intentionality. The Counseling Center at TTUHSC and the Department of Psychiatry are eager to assist you during this challenging time. Currently, all of our EAP and PAS counseling providers, including the Counseling Center at TTUHSC, are providing telehealth counseling using HIPAA-compliant platforms. Also, the Counseling Center website (www.ttuhsc.edu/counseling) has many helpful resources, including TAO and its numerous online modules to assist with managing anxiety and regulating mood. For more information regarding assistance, please call or email the Counseling Center (806-743-1327; counselingcenter@ttuhsc.edu).

Residents’ COVID-19 Podcast

From Residents to residents COVID 19 podcast is available, summarizing guidelines and latest research news from JAMA, JAMA/NEJM/IDSA/CHEST/SCCM. The twice weekly (Sunday/Thursday) produced podcast currently has 21 episodes available.

Postcast link: https://soundcloud.com/josh-ronen-710130577/sets/ttuhsc-permian-basin-covid19-residents-podcast/s-uZ0w6NBoAtT

Please, contact us for input and ideas or to volunteer to be correspondents.

IPE Summer Escape Room

The Office of Interprofessional Education will be hosting a fun and engaging Escape Room this summer during the month of July for all new and returning TTUHSC students. This beginner escape room is an adventurous way for new students to meet others across our various healthcare professions, improve interprofessional teamwork and communication, and collaborate together to solve puzzles that will ultimately lead to a discharge plan in a simulated patient case. Team members are not required to have discipline-specific knowledge and teams will be provided clues as needed.

The IPE Escape Room is a perfect opportunity for new students to learn more about TTUHSC, work with an interprofessional team of students from various professions, and learn more about the importance of interprofessional education and practice in healthcare.

Escape Room Details:

To escape the room, interprofessional teams of students will work together to solve an introductory clinical case and then discuss the teamwork and communication skills used. Participants can build their own team of 6-8 students or can be placed on a team. At least two professions must be represented on each team. Teams will have one hour to complete the challenge. Following the completion of the challenge or at the end of the hour, a debrief will take place allowing teams to discuss their escape room experience and evaluate their teams’ performance. Please allow additional time for the team discussion.

Registered participants who complete the Escape Room challenge will receive a certificate that can be given to their program directors for IPE graduation credit. For more information, please contact the Office of Interprofessional Education at ipe@ttuhsc.edu or call us at (806)743-2028.
UPCOMING EVENTS

Events & Opportunities for Students

Virtual Hangouts & Support
You’re invited to hang out virtually with other TTUHSC students, and also give and receive support, as together we navigate this challenging time. The Counseling Center at TTUHSC is hosting these Zoom meetings. Here are two opportunities you can choose from this week:

- **Monday, April 13 at 4:30 pm** - https://ttuhsc.zoom.us/j/910185385
- **Monday, April 13 at 6:00 pm** - https://ttuhsc.zoom.us/j/338194784

TTUHSC Student Town Hall
TTUHSC Interim President Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman along with the TTUHSC Student Government Association will be hosting a Student Town Hall on Tuesday, April 14th via Zoom. The town hall will also include an update on COVID-19 from Dr. Ron Cook.

- **Tuesday, April 14th | 3 pm | Zoom** - https://ttuhsc.zoom.us/j/433386174

Indie Lens Pop-Up Series: Bedlam
Filmmaker and practicing psychiatrist, Ken Rosenberg visits ERs, jails, and homeless camps to tell the intimate stories behind our national mental health crisis. The Laura Bush Institute is partnering with Panhandle PBS for this film to be presented in a live-streaming format. After the presentation, a panel discussion will be hosted with local fire department officials, the Panhandle Behavioral Health Alliance and the National Alliance on Mental Illness, Texas Panhandle. The viewing is complimentary.

- **Tuesday, April 14th | 6:30 pm | Online** - https://ovee.itvs.org/screenings/ngcev

STUDENT ORGS

Important Information for Student Org Officers & Advisors

**HSC Net - Access to New Officers**
As you pass duties over to newly elected officers, please remember to give them access to the organization’s page in HSC Net. To give them an officer position, go to the Roster and select the Pencil icon to the right of their name. You can then select the officer position needed for that specific person. For questions, please contact Student Life at student.life@ttuhsc.edu.