

Subject: Update: HACC's Preparation for the Coronavirus – June 23, 2020
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Good afternoon, colleagues!

Thank you to everyone who provided a photo and single word to describe HACC students. [This video](#) is a celebration of our students and our community! #HACCproud

We are also proud of our [core values](#) and commitment to inclusivity. Antiracism is an important part of our work. HACC's Faculty Senate Cabinet prepared a statement reaffirming their commitment to recognizing institutionalized racism, rooting out hidden biases and responding to our students of color. Please visit our online newsroom to read the [full statement](#). #BlackLivesMatter

As you have come to expect, following are the commonly asked questions and our responses to them. Please note that some of these responses are tentative and subject to change.

If you have additional questions and you do not see the answers on the website, please submit the online form located on the website. Please see the webpage section called "[Information for Employees](#)." If you would like to see the information being communicated to students, please see the webpage called "[Information for Students](#)."

We will continue to update you regularly via email, the aforementioned website and Zoom sessions.

Thank you!

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1. Why are we now listing programs instead of specific courses on the website for the hands-on components?

We are working through the details of which courses can be completed fully remotely and which courses have parts that require a hands-on demonstration of skills. Once we work through those details, we plan to organize the list of courses by program and on-campus protocol.

2. If a student contracts COVID-19 during the fall term, will they get their money back?

Students who face unexpected circumstances, including an illness such as COVID-19, have several options. The student's faculty may determine that an incomplete grade is appropriate to allow the student additional time to finish coursework beyond the semester's end. If an incomplete grade is not appropriate, students can complete an application to request a [Retroactive Withdraw/Return of Tuition Credit](#).

3. Will Federal Work-Study (FWS) students continue to be paid after June 30, 2020?

Based on federal guidance, Federal Work-Study (FWS) students will not be paid after June 30, 2020, unless they are actively working for the College.

4. **Should I be listing Zoom links on social media and the College's website?**

To avoid [Zoom bombing](#), please do not list Zoom information publicly. We recommend providing an email address or online form where individuals can register for events. The necessary follow-up and information can be supplied once the registration has been received.

THOUGHT: *Challenges are gifts that force us to search for a new center of gravity. Don't fight them. Just find a new way to stand. ~Oprah Winfrey*