We know this isn’t the week that you were expecting, Clarkies. Information is coming quickly, and you are trying to figure out how to take the best actions for yourself, your families, and your friends. As we shift to remote learning on Thursday for the rest of the semester — and many of you start to pack up to go home — please know that we are still here for you. Your health, well-being, and success are important to us, and we will continue to support you through Intersession and winter break.

While most offices and staff are operating virtually, we are available via email, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contact us for answers to your questions, to have conversations, schedule appointments, or just connect. Please reach out to dos@clarku.edu.

Below, you’ll find updates for services or information that may be helpful to you. Safe travels and best of luck with the rest of the semester.

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**Get Tested in the Kneller**

COVID-19 testing continues in the Kneller through Friday. All students are encouraged to continue their regular testing and get tested before leaving campus. The days and times for testing this week will be:

- Tuesday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Wednesday: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Thursday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Friday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Dining Services and Student Mailroom

Dining Services continues to be open for its regularly scheduled hours in the Higgins Café and the Bistro, with grab-and-go options at all stations. We encourage you to eat outside or in your room. The Café will close for the semester after brunch on Saturday, Nov. 21.

The student mailroom window will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. this week. The hours will be reduced from Nov. 23 to Feb. 18; more information is to come.

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Center for Counseling and Personal Growth

The Center for Counseling and Personal Growth (CPG) will offer services through the rest of the semester as noted below.

- CPG will continue seeing students until the end of the semester (Dec. 4). They will resume seeing students who are located in the state of Massachusetts on Jan. 4, 2021.
- Students already scheduled for a teletherapy session through Dec. 4 should attend their appointment virtually. Private spaces for teletherapy sessions in the Goddard Library will not be available. Any previous reservations have been canceled.
- Students needing to travel immediately to another state will be able to see their therapist or psychiatrist one more time in a “consultation session.” This will provide an opportunity to finish work with your therapist and plan for your mental health needs over winter break and Intersession.
- CPG After Hours, which provides telephonic mental health support by professional therapists when CPG is not open, is available to all Clark students, regardless of what state or country they are in. Until Dec. 4, this service is available between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. From Dec. 5 to Jan. 4, 2021, this service will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To access CPG After Hours, call the counseling center at 508-793-7678 and use option 2 to connect with a therapist immediately.

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Van Rides to Union Station

Rides to Worcester’s Union Station will be provided at no cost to students this week through University Police and the Safety Escort Service. The days and times for this service this week will be:

- Tuesday: Noon to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday: Noon to 4 p.m.
- Thursday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Friday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Saturday: 1 to 7 p.m.

To access this service and to request that the van pick you up, please call University Police at (508) 793-7575 and ask for the van ride to Union Station during these days and times. Travel safely and be well.

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Student Engagement
In-person events by student clubs and departments have been canceled. However, we encourage you to visit Clark Engage to participate in virtual events, or check out our list of virtual activities for you and your friends.

**Returning Library Books**
If you wish to return books prior to departing campus this week, please drop them off in the book return bin in the Kneller during open COVID-19 testing hours. If you would like to keep your books until the spring semester, you may renew them online.

**Student Employment**
Students who have jobs on campus should check with their supervisors to determine if their job will continue this week and/or whether they can continue to work remotely. Students who are unable to perform their job duties due to the campus closure should submit the hours they would have worked the week of Nov. 16 in the “COVID-19 Related Absence” field on their timesheets.

**Isolation/Quarantine During Break**
We offer this reminder that students who live off campus and who will be accessing limited campus services (such as a lab or the library) during the winter break will be required to get a weekly COVID-19 test at Clark. However, no on-campus isolation or quarantine spaces will be available to off-campus students during this time. Anyone testing positive or anyone identified as a close contact must isolate/quarantine in your apartment or at home.

**A Smooth Transition**
A recent story in The New York Times suggested ways students and their parents can return to a safe and harmonious co-existence under the same roof when school breaks for the holidays. If you have a subscription, you can read the full story. We’ve also summarized it for you here.

**Career Connections Corner**
**Conversation with Maria Campos ’13, MBA ’14, People Consultant at Google**
*Wednesday, Nov. 18; 2 to 3 p.m. EST*

Wondering what “people consulting” is, or what it is like to work at Google? If you are interested in strategy, individual development and team effectiveness, working with organizations to fix inefficient work processes, or helping staff to realize their potential and improve performance, register here!

**Goldman Sachs Exploratory Program: February to June 2021**
*Application deadline: Nov. 29, 2020*

Goldman Sachs is committed to diversity and seeks to empower students to have successful careers in the financial services industry. Their Exploratory Programs are interactive, multiweek virtual experiences for undergraduate students. These
programs are open to all majors and are designed to introduce students to the extensive range of career opportunities in the financial world.

Check your inbox for the latest CCC Newsletter about the Winter Intersession.

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**Upcoming Panels**

**Expert Panel on Critical Post-Election Issues**  
*Wednesday, Nov. 18; 4 p.m. EST*

Join Worcester State University and the League of Women Voters for an expert panel on critical issues post-election. The panelists — Representative Russell Holmes, Celia J. Blue, and Cynthia Peters — will discuss police reform, building a more inclusive Commonwealth, and the importance of organizing after the election. [Register in advance.](#)

**Dependence on China for Medicines: Implications for Drug Shortages, Recalls, and Health Security**  
*Wednesday, Nov. 18; 7 p.m. EST*

This lecture will highlight increasing U.S. dependence on China for generic drugs and their raw materials, chemical intermediates, and active pharmaceutical ingredients, and will explain the reasons for the dramatic shift and the impact on drug shortages. What are the consequences of the growing concentration of medicine-making in a single country and the challenges it poses to the provision of medical care in the United States? This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Massachusetts Medical Society, Boston Medical Library, and Worcester District Medical Society. [Register in advance.](#)