

Minnesota State

Community and Technical College

Dear student,

As we prepare for your return to campus this fall, I'd like to share some of the changes you can expect as we focus on the health and safety of our students and college community. We're committed to providing an excellent academic experience, even as we adjust classroom instruction, course design and campus activities in response to the ongoing pandemic.

CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION METHODS FOR FALL

- Face-to-face classroom instruction will continue to be offered on a limited basis.
- Many courses will have a hybrid approach that divides time between face-to-face and remote instruction. Hybrid classes allow us to ensure that we can provide appropriate physical distancing in the classroom.
- The majority of courses will be offered in well-designed and fully online formats.
- We anticipate most of our students' schedules will have a combination of hybrid, face-to-face and online courses.
- You can review a more detailed description of hybrid courses and FAQs at www.minnesota.edu/return-to-learn.
- All courses that were originally scheduled to be delivered through online delivery will be charged the per-credit distance tuition rate of \$198.95. All courses that were originally scheduled to be delivered on a campus will continue to be charged the per-credit tuition rate of \$165.50, even if they now will be delivered online or in a blended fashion.

General questions about course delivery methods can be answered by calling or texting our Support Center at 877.450.3322 or emailing support@minnesota.edu.

If you have specific questions regarding your courses, you can reach out to an academic advisor on our Virtual Zoom room at minnstate.zoom.us/j/8941248713#success from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or by emailing advising@minnesota.edu.

WE'RE READY TO PROVIDE YOU WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL COLLEGE EXPERIENCE.

- To prepare for the changes that are required, our instructors are participating in a variety of training opportunities this summer and adopting best practices for online teaching in their courses.
- We're working to create opportunities for social engagement on our campuses and in residence halls with events that meet safety guidelines and expectations. We'll share more information as plans are developed.

Please review your schedule, since some course instruction methods may have changed to allow for necessary social distancing and reduced class sizes. Courses can be added through Aug. 26 or dropped through Aug. 28 with no grade but, because the fall schedule is still being developed, I suggest that you wait to make changes to your schedule. More information will be announced as plans are finalized.

You can find information regarding computer requirements at www.minnesota.edu/computer-information.

You can find our complete Return to Campus Plan by visiting www.minnesota.edu/coronavirus/return-to-campus-plan.

On behalf of the entire M State community, we look forward to your return this fall and, as always, are dedicated to your success as a college student.

Sincerely,



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