



All MCU Students,

We are continuing to monitor developments regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak with your health and safety at the forefront of our decision-making. The university is working closely with stakeholders and following the advice from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

While there are no cases of the virus here at Marymount—and we believe the risk to our students, faculty, and staff to be low—it is our responsibility to you and our greater community to be proactive in our efforts to encourage social distancing as a means of preventing the spread of illness.

At the same time, we are committed to sustaining our educational mission and the work we do as best we can. As a result, we are taking the following actions:

- All Marymount classes will move online, effective March 16-March 29, 2020, and will be reviewed weekly for possible extension.
- The MCU campus and the Villas will remain open, with normal campus services available.
- Many university-sponsored events have been cancelled or postponed, with planners evaluating larger events on a case-by-case basis.
- All MCU athletic events will continue, but without spectators other than immediate family.
- All international university-related, non-essential travel for students, faculty and staff is suspended until further notice.

We know these actions represent a major shift in our normal operations. We expect you will have many questions, and we will be doing our best to address and answer them as quickly as we can. An initial set of FAQs is attached, and we will continue to add information as it becomes available to guide you during this transition. For current updates and resources to help keep you safe and informed, we also encourage you to check the MCU website: <https://www.marymountcalifornia.edu/campus-services/student-wellness-center/coronavirus-update/>.

This is a challenging time for all universities and organizations, and we appreciate your patience and support as we navigate this uncharted territory. I appreciate the many people who have responded in a spirit of understanding and partnership, motivated by the same desire to press on while also protecting the health of our extended community.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Marcotte", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Brian Marcotte  
President