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| Office of the President |

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| Dear Setonians, |

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| After significant consultation with state officials, I am writing to share this status report regarding Seton Hall’s plans for the fall semester. |

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| As you know, the University set a return-to-campus timetable that includes staff and administrators on **August 10**; an extended and appropriately socially distanced Move-In process beginning on **August 16**; and the first day of classes on **August 24**. Rest assured that none of those dates have changed. |

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| **Returning to Campus:** We are pleased to welcome students back to campus and reduced-density residence halls. This is possible because New Jersey is in Stage 2 of its reopening plan, which permits the University to host students who have indicated a preference or need to return to campus. Likewise, Seton Hall will provide food service and dining amenities consistent with state health guidelines. |

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| **Instruction:** As we have mentioned in prior communications, under current regulations, New Jersey must be in Stage 3 of its reopening plan for the state’s colleges and universities to offer a majority of in-person instruction. Because the semester will likely start before the state enters Stage 3, Seton Hall must begin the academic year with limited in-person instruction. |

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| In-person courses will be allowed for curricula that require labs, clinical rotations, and technical and hands-on instruction, as permitted by the state. These criteria apply to courses in several of the University’s schools and colleges; we are working to determine exactly which classes are eligible for in-person instruction and will let you know as soon as that list is posted on the Seton Hall website. Afterward, if you have further questions regarding your course of study, please contact [your dean's office](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=15522635&msgid=181511&act=SP0H&c=1487588&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.shu.edu%2Fprovost%2Fdeans-and-academic-managers.cfm%3Futm_source%3DiContact%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dseton-hall-university%26utm_content%3DRemote%2BStart%2BUpdate%2BAug.%2B6%2B-%2BAdministration&cf=3293&v=11645ad80a98f46bf413734c8635de5a39076fa80f7c767e0558beada11cd72c). |

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| Whether before or after the academic year begins, when New Jersey reaches Stage 3 or government health directives allow, the University plans to pivot to the HyFlex model of on-campus, in-person instruction. |

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| I know beginning the semester with mostly remote instruction is a disappointment to everyone, myself included. Yet our months of multivariate planning have prepared the University well for this moment. We are equally prepared to begin in-person instruction as established in the [University's confirmed Restart Plan](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=15522635&msgid=181511&act=SP0H&c=1487588&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.shu.edu%2Fhealth-intervention-communication%2Findex.cfm%3Futm_source%3DiContact%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dseton-hall-university%26utm_content%3DRemote%2BStart%2BUpdate%2BAug.%2B6%2B-%2BAdministration&cf=3293&v=6ff0a400556f62486cb4d4190e4f57ae99307f89dfbb4fbaebc6bb857f768d1e), when it is possible to do so. |

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| **Student and Residential Life:** Seton Hall will offer a robust and highly interactive student experience regardless of the delay in moving to Stage 3. Undergraduate students in South Orange with housing or campus life questions should contact: |

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| Karen Van NormanAssociate Vice President and Dean of Students(973) 761-9076karen.vannorman@shu.edu |

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| A few notes and changes on Move-In and the academic year: |

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| **All residential students** will be directed to the University’s COVID-19 testing site when they arrive for Move-In. Testing is being provided to students through the University’s Health Services free of insurance copays and free of charge for students whose insurance does not cover testing. Testing of all residential students was enacted recently by Seton Hall in response to rising COVID-19 cases nationwide. |

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| **Voluntary Quarantine Order:** As a service to our students, those arriving on campus from states on New Jersey’s quarantine list will be provided single-occupancy rooms for a [state-advised, voluntary 14-day self-quarantine](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=15522635&msgid=181511&act=SP0H&c=1487588&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fnj.gov%2Fgovernor%2Fnews%2Fnews%2F562020%2Fapproved%2F20200804a.shtml&cf=3293&v=2de07a2a6e2ad300a7394eb2960dfc1a55ec5f5708e8134c80dbac2255d57e1c) and will have access to campus services and supports. Unfortunately, the state has indicated that quarantining at home in any of the states on the list (prior to arriving in New Jersey) is no longer valid. |

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| To accommodate single occupancy for these students, it will be necessary to change existing room assignments of several students. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause. |

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| **Student Life** activities and clubs will be permitted but will be guided by Governor Murphy’s current limitations on indoor gatherings of no more than 25 people or 25 percent room occupancy. Masks will be required in all public spaces on campus. |

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| I remain grateful to the students, faculty and staff members who are helping to prepare our campus for a safe return. We are all working to adjust to changing circumstances and consequences of the path of the virus and related government directives. |

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| We will continue to provide you regular updates and information. Please continue to consult the [Planning for Fall 2020 website](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=15522635&msgid=181511&act=SP0H&c=1487588&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.shu.edu%2Fhealth-intervention-communication%2Findex.cfm%3Futm_source%3DiContact%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dseton-hall-university%26utm_content%3DRemote%2BStart%2BUpdate%2BAug.%2B6%2B-%2BAdministration&cf=3293&v=6ff0a400556f62486cb4d4190e4f57ae99307f89dfbb4fbaebc6bb857f768d1e) and, specifically, the [Frequently Asked Questions](https://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=15522635&msgid=181511&act=SP0H&c=1487588&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.shu.edu%2Fhealth-intervention-communication%2Ffrequently-asked-questions.cfm%3Futm_source%3DiContact%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dseton-hall-university%26utm_content%3DRemote%2BStart%2BUpdate%2BAug.%2B6%2B-%2BAdministration&cf=3293&v=6ac035080eac1ada307f6274d3b42200869d76a5031d23138ee5ba304d990530) section. You will find many answers to your questions and may submit additional questions on the form at the bottom of the page. |

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| This is a moment where our compassion for one another, our understanding of the complexities of our situation, and our flexibility will define the character of our community. May each of us follow the example of our patroness, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, whose faith and determination helped her overcome incredible adversity. |

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| I join you in looking forward with hope and optimism. |

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| Joseph E. Nyre, Ph.D.President |

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