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Office of the President

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Students, Faculty and Staff
Daemen College

Dear Daemen Community Members:

As you know, yesterday we communicated to the Daemen College community that for the time being we had no plans to make major changes to our college operations in light of the coronavirus because we believed that our students and other Daemen community members were safest here in Erie County. Late last night, however, Monroe County reported its first confirmed case of coronavirus. Due to the proximity of Monroe County to Erie County, we now feel that the best course of action is to extend spring break by one week through March 20, and then on Monday, March 23 we will begin instruction online for the foreseeable future.

During this extended break, Daemen faculty will transition their coursework to an online format. You will learn more details about this from the Office of Academic Affairs and individual faculty in the near future.

Daemen College will remain open, and the college's campus operations will continue without interruption. This includes administrative offices, as well as residence halls, campus dining, student academic support, health services, the college library, and other college services.

For students living on campus, we will continue to provide housing, dining, and support services. For residential students who wish to return to campus and need housing, Student Affairs will accommodate those needs upon completion of a health screening coordinated by the CHIP Center and in accordance with CDC guidelines. Student Affairs will provide detailed information later today to all students.

We appreciate everyone's patience during what continues to be an unprecedented and fluid situation. As always, our decisions will continue to be made with the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff in mind.

Cordially,

Gary A. Olson
President