

Office of the President

October 6, 2020

Daemen College Students, Faculty and Staff

Dear Colleagues,

After consultation with the faculty senate leadership and the Cabinet, we have decided to cancel classes on election day, Tuesday, November 3. This decision is in light of the concerns and complications surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and the associated social distancing measures, potential for longer lines and longer wait times for voters.

In addition, in order to facilitate voting for Daemen staff members, supervisors will allow maximum flexibility for all staff in their area so that they have the appropriate amount of time to vote in person should they wish to do so.

As I mentioned in a previous letter, a healthy democracy is built on the foundation of free and fair elections ensuring that the government derives its authority from the will of the people. Your vote is your voice, and I encourage you to be heard. Daemen is committed to this process and wants to make sure it is without impediments for our campus community.

Cordially,

Lang A. Olson

Gary A. Olson President