November 18, 2020

Dear Haub Law Community,

As we know from President Krislov’s message this evening, we will shift all Law School classes and administrative operations to remote formats beginning tomorrow, Thursday, November 19, as a precautionary measure, rather than end in-person instruction before Thanksgiving, as originally planned.

We are making this move in an effort to keep the Pace Community safe. Unfortunately, COVID-19 positivity rates are increasing in our area. In Westchester, the positivity rate is higher than it is in New York City.

This early transition means that faculty and staff should work from home if possible, in consultation with their managers.

Our Haub Law campus, our buildings and Dannat Hall, however, will remain open as planned through Tuesday of next week, when we will break for Thanksgiving. The Law Library will be closed as of tonight. Access to library materials can be requested from library staff. Study space will be open until Tuesday, at which time all campus buildings will close until the beginning of the Spring semester.

This will give all students, faculty, and staff the opportunity to gather necessary materials in preparation for winter break and the remote period. The three Pace campuses will remain closed from Thanksgiving until the beginning of the Spring semester. Faculty and staff should gather all materials they need to prepare for next semester before they leave campus.

For residential students, dining services will continue to operate, but with grab-and-go and Grubhub services only.
For those students who are working in clinics, keep in touch with your faculty members for more details about further operations.

After Thanksgiving all buildings, including the Law Library, will be closed. As we announced earlier this semester, all final exams will be remote. We understand that students may have difficulty taking remote exams without access to Wi-Fi on campus. If you are a student who has a need for an exam space, please reach out to Dean D'Agostino. We have secured space at some local law firms from members of our Board of Visitors and Alumni Board. We will work with students to arrange for use as we are able.

Our goal remains to do everything we can to ensure the health and safety of everyone in our community. Please be careful, and continue to observe guidelines like keeping your distance, wearing face coverings, washing your hands, and completing the Pace Safe questionnaire daily. For those continuing to work on campus, please as always observe all protocols.

By working together and looking out for each other, we can make it safely to Thanksgiving and through the holiday season.

Sincerely,

Horace Anderson, Dean