

June 26, 2020

Dear Students,

I hope you, your family, and friends are staying safe and well.

As you heard from us last week, the University will begin the fall semester on August 31, 2020 with face-to-face classes. In preparing for fall, Stevenson is implementing numerous initiatives to promote the health and safety of everyone in our campus community. Additional initiatives related to ensuring academic continuity and the quality of your learning experience are in place.

Today I am writing to you on behalf of the Office of Student Success to ask you to provide us with some information about your anticipated needs if you should require an accommodation or an adjustment this fall due to a disability, medical condition, or other circumstance. Your responses will help us in preparing to best support your learning experience.

Accommodations

- Do you believe that you may require an **accommodation** due to a disability or do you need to adjust an existing accommodation?

The Office of Disability Services (ODS) is prepared to support students who require accommodations due to disabilities, and recognizes that COVID-19 has had a greater impact on certain populations. Students who are immunosuppressed by diagnosis or due to a medical treatment plan may be at higher risk, and Stevenson recognizes that some students with chronic medical conditions may also require temporary accommodations.

If you believe that you may qualify for accommodations due to a disability, have specific questions, or would like to discuss this option, please contact the Office of Disability Services ODS@stevenson.edu or 443.532.5320. The ODS commends to your attention three CDC resources ([CDC1](#), [CDC2](#), [CDC3](#)) that may be helpful on this topic.

- **If you would like to begin registering with ODS, then please [click here](#).**
- **If you already have an accommodation, but would like to request additional accommodation in light of COVID-19, then please visit our AIM service by clicking [here](#).**

Adjustments

- Are you a student who does not require an accommodation but would like to be considered for temporary **adjustments** due to COVID-19?

If you do not have a documented disability but have a medical condition or other concerns about the fall semester, then we invite you to communicate with us using the link below. Stevenson may be able to make schedule or other temporary adjustments on a case-by-case basis.

If you are concerned about related risk factor(s) and would like to request adjustments for Fall 2020, then please complete the Student Request for Adjustment Form [here](#) to provide us with more information.

Please let us hear from you soon if you are considering requesting an accommodation or adjustment.

Stevenson is committed to the health and safety of our community. Work is underway to set up classrooms, labs, studios, and other instructional spaces in accordance with physical distancing and public health guidelines. As a community we are working together to promote health and safety practices such as wearing facial coverings, using proper hand-washing techniques, adhering to physical distancing guidelines, and avoiding large gatherings. We encourage you to pay attention to the frequent ***Keep Stevenson Safe*** communications as well as visit the [Keep Stevenson Safe](#) web page to review the health, hygiene, and safety practices that will be in place on campus when you return for fall. You can show your commitment to following these practices by visiting the [Stevenson Social Compact](#) page and signing the Virtual Wall.

In short, we are excited to welcome you back to campus in the fall and are working hard to prepare for your safe return. We will continue to provide the exceptional academic experiences and personalized student support that make SU Home.

Take good care,

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