Dear Department of Kinesiology Students:

I hope you are well and safe. I want to update you on our academic plan for Fall classes. UNCG has adjusted the academic calendar to reduce mass movement and end by Thanksgiving, when a second wave of COVID-19 or the arrival of flu season could make campus functions harder.

UNCG also has changed the way we will deliver some courses. In Kinesiology many sections of courses that were planned as face to face will be delivered as planned, but in larger rooms to accommodate distancing. Others will now be delivered online. Still others will be delivered in a hybrid format, combining face-to-face and online instruction. ‘Hybrid’ can mean one of several things:

- It might mean that the whole class meets in person, but not as often as previously scheduled. So, for instance, if you have a Monday, Wednesday, Friday course, you may only meet in-person on two of those days.
- It might also mean that your instructor divides the class into subgroups that meet on certain days. For instance, you may have a Tuesday/Thursday course in which half of the class meets in-person on Tuesday, while the other half meets on Thursday.
- Your instructor may also structure your in-person or synchronous remote attendance in other ways, depending on course content.

We have adopted hybrid delivery of some courses to accommodate space to social distance. You will be able to maintain a five to six foot distance from your classmates and instructor while you are in class, but we don’t have the room to do this in every class and still meet at a normal frequency.

Any hybrid courses you are enrolled in are identified in your schedule in Genie. In most cases, your schedule will also reflect the meeting pattern of your hybrid courses. If, for instance, you are in a Tuesday/Thursday course in which half the students meet in person on Tuesday and half meet on Thursday, your section schedule will reflect the day to which you have been assigned. If there are seats available in another section of the same course, you can enroll in that section instead, just as you usually would add a course in Genie. Be sure to either be in touch with your instructor or check the Canvas pages for your courses for more detailed information about your schedule.

We appreciate your continued flexibility as we work toward bringing you a Fall 2020 term that is not only a great learning experience but is also as safe as we can make it. If you have questions, please reach out to Dean Andrew Hamilton at ugdean@uncg.edu, Dr. Aaron Terranova at abterran@uncg.edu, Dr. Paul Davis at pgdavis@uncg.edu, or me at seross@uncg.edu.

Sincerely,

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