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All student email from Professor Allan Evans, Acting Vice-Chancellor

Dear students,

As you would have seen there has been some positive news on the current COVID situation and I can now confirm that the University's campuses will be open from 7am tomorrow morning.

Nevertheless, we anticipate that the majority of our teaching will continue to be delivered online wherever possible, at least for the remainder of this week. In some instances campus attendance may be required (eg practicals, workshops) and program directors and course coordinators will communicate with you on any specific arrangements.

In what is a significant development, masks will now be required to be worn on campus in all public and shared indoor spaces, including teaching, learning, research and shared office spaces. This is in line with the new State Government guidelines. This requirement applies to all staff and students and members of the public who wish to access our campus spaces. There will be some exemptions for the wearing of masks and masks do not need to be worn all of the time (eg when eating/drinking). We will ensure the staff and student FAQ's are updated overnight as we get more clarity on what these exemptions will be.

You are asked to bring your own masks to campus. The University will make a limited number of masks available at Campus Central and Security offices for those who require one while on campus.

In order to limit the movement of members of the public through our campuses, swipe cards will be required for access to our facilities.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with these new requirements as we do our part to work with the wider community to help limit the spread of the COVID virus and hopefully return to a vibrant campus environment as soon as we can.