August 6, 2020

Dear New Students,

The start of the Fall term is quickly approaching, and we are excited to welcome you to campus for the start of classes on August 17.

Before you arrive, we encourage you to become familiar with your individual course schedule within the Student Advisor Profile, the Course Schedule Search tool and D2L, the University’s learning management platform. All of these tools will assist you as you commence your academic endeavors at the University.

Fall 2020 Course Formats

The University’s Royals Safe Together plan and recent Health and Safety email announcements have mentioned that Fall 2020 courses will be offered in five formats that include:

- **Fully Face-to-Face Instruction (FTOF):** students report to a traditional classroom setting for socially distanced face-to-face instruction. Instruction occurs synchronously.

- **Face-to-Face with A/Synchronous Instruction (FFSY):** students report to a traditional classroom setting for socially distanced face-to-face instruction. Remote instruction is only available to students who cannot attend class due to a documented health concern. Remote instruction may be synchronous or asynchronous.

- **Hybrid Face-to-Face & Synchronous Remote Instruction (HYBR):** students are assigned to either a socially distanced face-to-face or remote learning environment. Remote instruction is exclusively synchronous.

- **Rotational Face-to-Face & A/Synchronous Instruction (ROT):** students rotate between socially distanced face-to-face and remote learning environments on a schedule determined by the instructor. Remote learning may be synchronous or asynchronous.

- **Remote Instruction (REM):** Course material will be delivered in a remote learning environment. Remote instruction may be synchronous or asynchronous.

The format of each course is listed as an attribute on Course Schedule Search.

**Course Schedule Search**

Course Schedule Search is the web tool that the University uses to publish all classes offered in a given term. It’s easy to use; simply select the Fall 2020 term to search and click the Next button. You can then narrow your search criteria by selecting various options, such as campus, level or subject, from the drop-down boxes and click the Search button. Fall 2020 course formats are listed in the Attributes column:
When a course has more than one attribute, hover your mouse over the attributes to see them itemized.

You can also view **required course materials** in Course Schedule Search. Locate the course in which you seek to enroll, and click on the **book icon** after the title. Clicking the icon will take you to the required course materials as listed in the Bookstore. You can then order your materials directly from the Bookstore website.

**Course Schedule**

Your individual course schedule is available within the **Student Advisor Profile**.

1. Log in to [my.scranton.edu](http://my.scranton.edu) using your username and password.
2. Click the **Students** menu, under **Student Links**.
3. Select **Academic Record Information**
4. Select **Student Profile**

Your class schedule appears in the bottom right window. The Student Advisor Profile also includes other academic record information – be sure to check it out!

**Course-specific Information**

Many faculty post course information on our learning management tool, Desire2Learn (D2L). Upon signing into my.scranton.edu, you will find a tab on the top, right-hand corner that is shaped like a waffle. Click on this icon to access the D2L learning platform. Faculty who do not use D2L will communicate course information to you during the first week of classes.
Familiarizing yourself with your schedule, course formats, course syllabi and required course materials before your arrival on campus will position you for a successful start to your academic journey. Each college’s advising center staff are available to assist you should you have any questions:

- College of Arts and Sciences: (570) 941-6323
- Kania School of Management: (570)941-6100
- Panuska College of Professional Studies: (570)941-6390

Best wishes for safe travels. See you next week!

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