

A message to our faculty and staff:

The University System of Georgia (USG) has decided that all 26 institutions will move to online instruction for all courses for the remainder of the semester with extremely limited exceptions. This action comes following last week's decision to suspend instruction for two weeks to ensure business and instructional continuity, and to allow further state assessment of COVID-19.

Please note the following with regard to students at South Georgia State College:

- Students are not allowed to return to campus until they receive permission from South Georgia State College's Dean of Students, Ms. Sandra Adams. Ms. Adams will be in touch soon with more detailed instructions.
- Residence halls will be closed. Students will receive specific instructions from the Dean of Student's office regarding when they will be allowed to return to campus to retrieve their belongings from residence halls. Students must follow those instructions **and must not return to campus until directed to do so!**
- USG will be providing guidance to campuses on refunds for housing, dining, and other services. We will ask the student to wait for an SGSC staff member to contact them regarding refunds.

South Georgia State College will remain open, with minimal staff physically on-campus, to ensure continuity of certain services. You should receive information from your supervisor by the close of business today, March 17th regarding your worksite assignment.

We are committed to providing updates to you as new information is available. Please check <http://www.sgsc.edu/alert.cms> for the most up-to-date information from SGSC.

In the end, we want to ensure that SGSC's faculty, staff and students are safe; that we do our part to help stem the spread of the coronavirus in Georgia; and that we fulfill our mission to graduate our students even in the face of these challenging times.

Thank you for all you do for our students at South Georgia State College. I especially appreciate your flexibility and patience as we navigate these uncertainties over the past few weeks. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns and I will try my very best to address them as soon as I can.