Dear CDU Student, Faculty, Staff and Community Partners:

The health and safety of everyone in the CDU community is our highest priority, and one of the most important ways for us all to protect ourselves, our family and our community is with the best and most accurate information. There are no known cases of COVID-19 at CDU. However, as we are all aware, the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) has become a worldwide phenomenon with significant local repercussions.

Thus, this COVID-19 Update seeks to provide you with the latest information on COVID-19’s impact to CDU operations. This update and other communications from the University will be available on the CDU website at: www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19. Please refer to the website often. The website also includes credible sources to links/resources made available through the Centers for Disease Control, and other public health agencies.

We are implementing the following:

**Travel Restrictions**
- Non-essential travel is cancelled. All travel must be approved by a CDU Vice President

**Classes**
- On-campus teaching is suspended effective 7am Thursday, 3/12
- Current on-line teaching should continue
- On-line teaching didactic will commence for nurse practitioner students beginning Saturday, 3/14
- All other classes will begin to be taught on-line **beginning** Monday 3/16
- Clinical education will continue as scheduled. If something changes, the Dean of your college/school will provide more specific guidance related to your particular program.

**Meetings**
- All CDU events/convenings/group visits are suspended except as approved by a CDU Vice President
- Saturday Science Academy is suspended effective Saturday, 3/14
- Legacy Leaders Spring Gala is cancelled for 2020
- Jazz-at-Drew is cancelled for 2020
General University Operations

- On-Campus University business operations shall remain in effect. A business continuity plan is being developed should normal on-campus business activity be suspended and the need to implement remote business operations be required.

External/Community Events

- All events/meetings to be held at CDU by external organizations shall be cancelled effective Thursday, 3/12.
- The University will not accept external requests to host meetings at the University until further notice.

Hotlines

Hotlines will be established for questions related to:

- COVID-19
- On-line instructional issues

Links and Resources

- [https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19](https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19)
- [LACDPH Guidance For Colleges And Universities, 3-3-20](https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19)
- [LACDPH Guidance For Colleges And Universities, 2-7-20](https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19)
- [Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Coronavirus information page](https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19)
- [Centers for Disease Control Coronavirus information page](https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19)
- [World Health Organization](https://www.cdrewu.edu/updates-covid-19)

These actions will remain in effect through at least the end of the Spring Semester.

Sincerely,

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