



Department of Nutrition Statement on COVID-19

We are deeply proud and incredibly grateful for the tenacity and resilience shown by our students, faculty and staff during the novel coronavirus global pandemic. We started the semester with hope, enthusiasm, and goals for our classes and research only to find every aspect of our lives turned upside down in a matter of days.

We may be socially distanced, but it is clear that we are in this together. Over the past few weeks we have seen every member of this department doing everything they can:

- Faculty working tirelessly to move courses into online format
- Students supporting each other as they adapt to a new learning environment
- Staff shifting to remote work, finding creative ways to continue providing essential services
- Labs helping each other finish and wind down research projects
- All of us – rising to the occasion while managing equally pressing demands in our personal lives

We cannot predict the course of the pandemic or when we might be together again. In the meantime, please know that we are working closely with Gillings School and University leadership to interpret new policies as they are developed, and find the best path to keep our programs moving forward. Our focus right now is on our students, and how we can support them and continue to provide high quality nutrition education programs.

This is not easy for any of us. If you need help, we are here for you. You can email any one of us, or contact [Jonathan Earnest](#), Lead Academic Coordinator. There is also a variety of resources from the University to provide information and support during this time.

For students:

[COVID-19 Student Care Hub](#)
[Carolina Student Impact Fund](#)

For faculty:

[COVID-19 Resources for Teaching and Faculty](#)

For all:

[Gillings School Coronavirus Portal](#)
[UNC-Chapel Hill Coronavirus Updates](#)
[UNC-Chapel Hill Research Updates](#)

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