

Subject: Dean Martijn Cremers: Message to Our Students

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Dear Mendoza Students,

I hope that you and your family are healthy and safe.

As dean of the Mendoza College of Business, I often talk about the “three C’s” as the pillars of our College’s mission to develop business leaders who: Contribute to human flourishing; Cooperate with others in solidarity; and Compete toward the best version of ourselves.

In these past days as disruption, uncertainty and many challenges have overtaken our lives – personal and professional – three different C’s have been much in evidence: Community, Connection and Compassion.

Despite the many difficult challenges, we have pulled together as a community to help each other, share information and learning, and treat each other with patience and grace.

In follow up to [Notre Dame President John Jenkins’ announcement](#) that in-person classes are suspended for the rest of the semester, the faculty and staff of Mendoza are committed to serving our students to the best of our abilities. Even as we’ve transitioned our classes online to safeguard health and safety, we continue to conduct “business as usual” in making ourselves available to answer your questions and concerns. Our Graduate Business Programs team, including student and career services, is prepared to serve you remotely through virtual interview and online help sessions.

Though we strongly urge you to stay off campus for the time being, we can continue to look after each other. Please don’t hesitate to let us know your needs. I also encourage you to frequently check Notre Dame’s [coronavirus website](#) for updates.

In closing, we are looking to the future and look forward to providing you with the level of support and commitment you expect from the University of Notre Dame. In 2021, we will celebrate the Mendoza College of Business’s centennial — 100 years of “Growing the Good in Business.” Even as we honor our past, we are excited about the future and the difference we can make together.

In Notre Dame,

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