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**Bon Secours Memorial  
College of Nursing**

Dear Students,

I hope this message finds you and your loved ones well during this challenging time. As we reconvene the spring semester, I would like to share the following information with you regarding your courses:

- As previously communicated, all didactic courses will be taught online. Please review the updated course syllabus and calendar in the “COVID-19” tab on the left navigation sidebar in each of your courses in Blackboard.
- Bon Secours has determined that students will not be allowed in their facilities for clinical learning until May 31, 2020. Due to this updated regulation, faculty are creating alternate assignments and simulations for practicum courses to replace the hours that would be provided in the health care system. Details will be provided by course faculty in each Blackboard course.
- Summer global outreach trips (RAM Emporia and Wise, Tangier Island, and Study Abroad to Paris course) are now cancelled. Students who were selected for these experiences will need to create an alternative plan to meet course requirements with their advisor. This decision was not taken lightly, and we are saddened that we will not be able to offer these opportunities this summer.

These curricular changes are in compliance with the stated regulatory waivers declared by Virginia Board of Nursing on March 19, 2020. These waivers were issued so that student learning, student progression and student graduations from nursing programs can continue.

We appreciate your flexibility in these unprecedented times and would like to reiterate that you should contact your faculty and/or advisor for any questions you may have.

Thank you,

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