

### **June 2020**

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## A Statement Against Racial Violence from President Hays:

Dear Regis community,

Even though the campus is quiet right now, we know our community is not at peace. We are mourning the untimely deaths of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, and so many more Black people across this country who have been victims of racial violence and hate. We mourn for them and express our deepest sympathies to their families.

Regis College emphatically stands against any intolerance and violence against

communities of color. We continuously strive to uphold the values of our founders, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston, by being a welcoming and inclusive community and serving as agents of change in our communities.

For many, these recent incidents are shocking – they shake us to our core. But for others, we know these types of tragedies do not come as a surprise. Our students, faculty, and staff of color experience discrimination, bias, and microaggressions far too often. Please know that the entire Regis community grieves with you, is thinking of you, and supports you. During these uncertain times, if you need any assistance, our <u>Center for Ministry and Service</u> and <u>Counseling Services</u> are here for you.

We value the diversity of our student body. Our educational environment thrives because of the breadth of voices and experiences in our community. Regis is committed to ensuring the success of all its community members and eliminating any barriers that stand in our way. However, we are aware that the diversity of our student body is not reflected in our faculty and staff. We have taken several steps to achieve our goal of inclusive excellence.

The President's Inclusive Excellence Council is charged with developing a strategic plan to advance inclusive excellence for all, which will include steps to increase the diversity of our faculty and staff and provide more educational opportunities to better understand and serve our diverse community.

In addition, the DIRECT bias response team is working to streamline their reporting protocols and eliminate any barriers for people to report incidents of bias so we can work to intervene as soon as possible. This team is committed to treating everyone with dignity, respect and fundamental fairness.

We also fully recognize that the systemic racism that tragically ended in death in Minneapolis, Tallahassee, Louisville, Georgia, also played a significant role in the many social disparities of the COVID-19 pandemic. Regis will soon offer an interdisciplinary course on the effects of the pandemic on our lives. Through a social justice lens, this course will assess the historical and systemic challenges relative to equity and disparity outcome.

We know that this is just a start and we have so much more to do. But there is no

doubt we will come together to do the necessary work, for ourselves, for our community, for our world.

We look forward to continuing this important conversation and working together to build a more just and compassionate society.

Sincerely,

Antoinette M. Hays, PhD, RN

President

Audrey Grace, JD

Associate Vice President for Inclusive Excellence and Chief Diversity Officer

**Craig Davis** 

Chief of Campus Police

# Click here to learn about the new Fall 2020 program start dates.



### **Advising Matters**

We hope that your Summer classes are going well! Please see below for important dates and we encourage you to keep these dates in mind as you finalize your course registration plans.

#### **Fully Online Program:**

- Add/Drop for Summer Term B: 20PBS2 (8 weeks): Mon, June 29 Thursday, July 2
- Registration for Fall 2020 Terms A, B and C: Monday, July 6 Friday, August
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#### On-Campus/Hybrid\* Program:

\*Note- summer courses have been moved online.

- Last Day to Add/Drop for Summer II 2020: Friday, July 3
- Registration for Fall 2020: Monday, April 13 Friday, September 4
  - If you have not yet registered for Fall, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible.

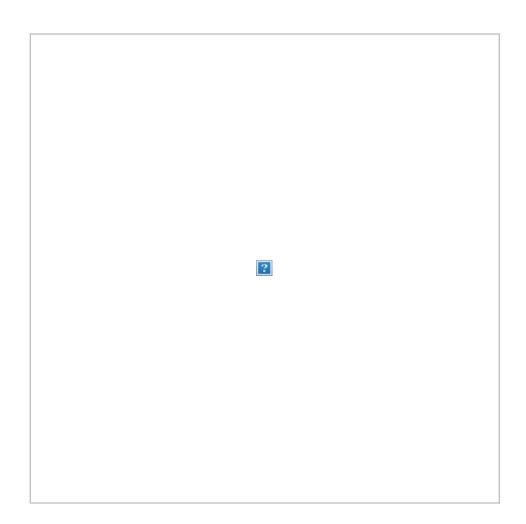
Need assistance with course registration? We have a brief tutorial you can find by visiting The Office of the Registrar SharePoint site. Once there, look for the image below my contact information and then click *How to Register for Classes* to find the instructions.

As always, we are here to help. If you have any questions, we encourage you to connect with your academic advisor. If you are unsure who your academic advisor is, you can look them up under the "My Success Network" tab in <u>Starfish</u>.

Wishing you all a healthy, productive and fun summer!

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#### **Welcome to the Summer Semester, Graduate Students!**

It's an exciting time of year for new beginnings, whether you're planning a career move since achieving your degree or an internship/part-time job while completing your program. Graduate Career Planning is glad to offer assistance throughout the summer months. You are welcome to schedule an appointment via phone or Zoom and I'll assist you with the following:

Brushing-up your resume and cover letter

- Perform a mock interview
- Spruce-up your Linked-in profile and obtain a new headshot
- Job search via Career Link
- Perfect your "30-second commercial"
- Learn about discipline-specific networking opportunities

Log-in to <u>Career Link</u> to see job postings from our employer partners hiring during COVID-19, including:

Pine Street Inn, Housing Resources Specialist

Veteran's Inc., Grant Writer

**Carrier**, Marketing Communications Intern

Compass Group, Marketing Intern

**Uncommon Schools**, Director of Growth Strategy

Springwell, Inc., Elder Protective Services Investigator, Nurse Manager,

Registered Nurse

Boston Medical Center, 100% remote temporarily, Customer Care Representative

Charles River Medical Associates, Nurse Practitioner

Family Counseling Associates, PMHNP

Fresenius, Pre-licensure Nurse

Vinfen, Residential Counselors, CNAs

East Cambridge Savings Bank, Director of Marketing & Strategy

I look forward to discussing your goals and constructing a path to achieve them!

#### **Kaitlynn Arvidson**

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# A Message from the Dear Neighbor Fund Committee

We recognize the tremendous impact the COVID-19 pandemic continues to have on our lives and the lives of our loved ones. Students facing a financial crisis due the pandemic are able to request funds from the <a href="Dear Neighbor Fund">Dear Neighbor Fund</a> which is supported entirely through donations and fundraising from Regis community members and friends. Additional support is also offered through the Dear Neighbor

Fund Hospitality Center.

If you are in need of emergency financial support, please complete the following form to request funding. The information that we gather in this application will remain private and will only be used by the Dear Neighbor Fund Committee in an effort to most equitably distribute available funds.

Please know you are not in this alone. If you or your family have been significantly impacted by the pandemic and are in need of additional support or assistance, we encourage you to contact the <u>Department of Student Affairs</u>. For those grieving the loss of a loved one due to the pandemic, the <u>Center for Ministry and Service</u> and <u>Counseling Services</u> are here support you through these challenging and uncertain times.

Most sincerely,
The Dear Neighbor Fund Committee

### **Domestic Violence Information**

Social distancing and stay-at-home orders serve to protect people from COVID-19, but at the same time these protective measures may pose an additional risk to survivors and those facing domestic abuse. The Council on Foreign Relations refers to domestic violence in the age of COVID-19 as "a double pandemic" as risks and incidences of domestic violence are on the rise. Debra Robbin, executive director of Jane Doe Inc., referred to the pandemic as a kind of perfect storm for putting victims at risk. Lieutenant Gov. Karyn Polito has also recently announced that domestic violence victims will not be forgotten and has increased staff and its capacity to triage calls at SafeLink, a 24/7 crisis hotline.

If you are a victim of domestic violence, please realize that you are not alone and resources are available. Seek help immediately and ask for assistance in creating a safety plan. If you are unable to call, you can text or chat online. During the COVID-19 public health emergency, many services are available remotely.

Please visit the following pages for more information on domestic violence programs: Sexual Assault Prevention and Survivor Services and Domestic Violence

<u>Services in Massachusetts</u> . If you are in an emergency situation, please do not hesitate and call 911.
The National Network to End Domestic Violence offers tips for helping a friend
experiencing domestic abuse during COVID-19. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

## **A Message from the Library**

Do you use Google Scholar? Just about all of us do. It is a great resource, and this research guide includes a tutorial to make your searching more efficient by adding availability information to your Google Scholar results.

When you see the <u>Find@RegisCollege.edu</u> link on the right-hand side of the results list you can click right through to the article.

No link available? Did you click on the title and were stopped by a paywall? Don't

pay! Use our free Interlibrary Loan Service. It's easy, quick and, you guessed it, free. Use this link to set started.

Questions? Problems? Consult with a Librarian here.



## We're hiring!

Graduate Assistantships offer a unique experience of gaining valuable professional skills while benefiting from a financial aid opportunity. As a graduate assistant, you'll work as a tutor or in an entry-level capacity in one of the many departments at Regis including Admissions, Student Affairs, Health Services, the Young School of Nursing, the Autism Center or Regis Online Programs, to name a few.

Graduate Assistantships are available to graduate students who are enrolled in a minimum of six credits within their graduate program and maintain a 3.0 GPA.

#### Two Graduate Assistant (GA) levels are available:

- 7.5 hours/week, 112.5 hours/semester: \$2,500/semester tuition reduction
- 15 hours/week, 225 hours/semester: \$5,000/semester tuition reduction

For a full listing of the available positions go to:

https://www.regiscollege.edu/regis-life/graduate-affairs/graduate-assistantships

Questions? Email graduateassistant@regiscollege.edu

# A Message from Regis' Strategic Partnerships

Exciting news from the Graduate Partnerships team hot off the wire! As of last week, we have been approved to elevate our partnership discount to a new level by offering the Regis eligible discounts to include not only partner employees but also to their spouse and/or children! This benefit is something you do not see every day, so please reach out to Kathi Jenkins at <a href="mailto:partnerships@regiscollege.edu">partnerships@regiscollege.edu</a> to hear more about it.

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