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Summer & Fall 2021 Course Registration Dates

- Fully online programs Summer 2021: March 8 April 11
- On-campus/hybrid programs Summer 2021: April 5 May 15
- On-campus/hybrid programs Fall 2021: April 5 September 4

Need a refresher on how to register? Join an upcoming training session.

Tuesday, April 6, from 12:30 – 1:30 PM
 https://regiscollege.zoom.us/j/94563023092?
 pwd=OWRSbGhFeWhCSzRkcFh1TDB4b1ZMdz09



Commencement is an important and joyful event for Regis College. It is when our graduates, and those who love and support them, can celebrate the culmination of years of hard work and perseverance. On Saturday, May 8, the Regis community will have two separate virtual commencement ceremonies for the classes of 2020 and 2021.

Refer to the Commencement website for details regarding:

- Event logistics
- Application for graduation
- Diplomas
- Transcripts
- Regalia
 - Kente Stole

- Rainbow Tassel
- Veteran's Cord

President's Lecture Series Spring 2021

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



COVID-19: CAUSES FOR CHANGE AND OPTIMISM

April 7, 2021 | **6:15 - 8:30 p.m.** | Virtual Zoom

2 Contact Hours Register online at: regiscollege.edu/covidcauses

In one way or another we have all been impacted by COVID-19-some more than others. The negative effects transcend every aspect of our daily lives as we continue to grapple with an evolving virus and the consequences of misinformation, inadequate resources, injustices, ethical choices, and the loss of life. It is to these grave consequences that the ordinary responded and widespread innovation took hold.

Space is limited. All participants must pre-register by Tuesday, April 6, 2021. Information regarding Zoom and accessing the presentation will be emailed to registrants the week prior to the presentation. All registrants must have an email address.

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SNAP BENEFITS

Massachusetts Residents:

In response to the COVID-19 public health crisis, the federal government has expanded college students' access to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP benefits. Eligible students can use SNAP benefits to buy food through an EBT card (like a debit card). SNAP can be used to buy food at supermarkets, local groceries, corner stores, farmers markets and online from Amazon, Walmart and ALDI (through Instacart). To learn more about eligibility and

how to apply, please visit: <u>DTA Connect - Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance or https://www.masslegalservices.org/food4students.</u>



Career Corner

Hello, Graduate Students!

We are so close to the semester's end! It's time to start thinking about career steps. You can schedule an appointment to meet with me via Zoom to brush-up your resume and cover letter, perform a mock interview, job search, perfect your 30-second commercial and learn about networking within your field. Here's a great article to get you started: "How to Write a Stellar Elevator Pitch." Also, gear-up for a virtual interview for most any industry or position you apply to as this is now common practice for the first-round. Here's a quick read to prepare: "How to Ace Your Virtual Interview."

Join us for one of these virtual events! RSVP when the invitation lands in your inbox:

- April 12th, 7-8pm- MSW Career Prep Studio
- April 19th, 6-6:30pm- Fireside chat with Wes Major '15, Special Education
 Coordinator at the Gifford School and M.Ed., Special Education Regis Alum.

• April 20th, 11-11:30am- LMRC Nursing Resume Refresh

Schedule a career coaching appointment and meet me in my virtual office:

https://calendly.com/graduatecareerplanningkaitlynn-arvidson/careerplanningmeeting

Kaitlynn Arvidson

Director, Graduate & Professional Career Planning



It's that time of year again for course registration.

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For additional important dates, please refer to the Academic Calendars on the Regis website.

Students will be assigned a specific date and time when registration will be open to them. Your registration appointment time will appear through your <u>Regis Hub</u> account under:

- Student Planning →
- Go to *Plan your Degree & Register for Classes* →

Select the **Schedule** tab (make sure that you are viewing the correct course term)

Please remember if a course section is planned, you still need to register for it. You are not officially registered for the course until you see "Registered, but not started" under the course on your schedule.

Should you have any questions, you are always welcome to contact me or the Graduate Affairs Department at graduateaffairs@regiscollege.edu.

Wishing you a great rest of the spring semester!

Sincerely,

Joanne Cardolaccia

Director of Graduate Student Services & Advising



Application Deadline: May 14

Regis is accepting applications from rising juniors and seniors in high school to attend the <u>Summer Scholars 2021 pre-college program</u> for a virtual academic experience this summer. Throughout summer session II, scholars will earn six college credits by attending courses ID 230 and MT 203 while also engaging in college application workshops, virtual activities, office hours with their faculty, and ongoing guidance from academic coach staff.

Email <u>Kelly Brochu</u>, co-director of the Summer Scholars program, with any questions. Please pass along this great opportunity to any rising juniors or seniors that would benefit from this experience!



Research papers and assignments that require you to identify research instruments (e.g., scales, surveys, questionnaires, etc.) or articles that use a particular test or

measure can be challenging. Research instruments, as you probably know, are tools used to collect, measure, and analyze data related to your area of interest.

Check out a few different resources for finding articles and information about research instruments:

- First, did you know we have a library guide about research instruments? Our guide, Research Instruments (Tests & Measures), will help you get started in your search! It includes information on how to use both the library's databases and the web to find research instruments.
- We've also created a new video tutorial about how to use CINAHL to find resources related to research instruments. You can find it on this page.
- Similarly, we've added a link to a video tutorial on how to search APA
 PsycINFO for tests and measures. You'll find this video <u>here</u>.
- Finally, the Education Resources Information Center, or ERIC, is another
 database that can help you find research instruments. You can find <u>test</u>
 reviews or appended research instruments using ERIC.

Reach out to the Library if you have questions, we are happy to help and will accommodate your schedule. We know you are busy.

You can email us at regiscollege.edu or make an appointment here: https://libguides.regiscollege.edu/contactus.

Library hours can be found here:

https://www.regiscollege.edu/academics/library/library-services/library-hours We are looking forward to working with you!

This list was created by Amanda Outly, Online Research Librarian. She can be reached at amanda.outly@regiscollege.edu.

Training & Development

Why should you learn Excel? Over 80% of jobs require spreadsheet and word processing skills. Excel continues to be in the top 3 skills employers are looking for in people they hire. Excel is not just for making tables.

- Excel will make you better at your job, no matter what that job is. Regardless
 of what you do, chances are that there is a way for Excel to help you do your
 job better.
- 2. Excel will help you get your work done faster. No professional ever said "I don't want to get through my work more efficiently." Excel will save you a ton of time at your job and in your personal life.
- 3. Knowing Excel will give you more hiring options. Excel is a transferrable skill that any hiring manager understands is critical. That's the beauty of knowing such a universal computer program.

Regis offers free software training, including 17 different Excel classes. See the complete training list and more information on the <u>Training & Professional</u> Development site on SharePoint.

Meet the Regis College Graduate Ambassadors



Wesley Major '15 MAT '15 Hometown: Sherborn, MA

Wesley Major hasn't gone far with his Master's degree in teaching special education. Actually, he just had to travel two miles to reach his destination: The Gifford School in Weston, MA, a therapeutic day school for 3rd-12th graders with diverse social, emotional, and learning challenges. Since he began there in 2009, Wes has been an assistant teacher, then a head teacher and now, Coordinator of Special Education. But Wesley hasn't forgotten his alma mater: he has contributed to the reopening of Regis following the peak of the pandemic and, on April 19th, he

will be facilitating an event for the M.Ed. program, focusing on his career path in special education.

"I was employed as an assistant teacher at the Gifford School and wanted to further my career as a special education teacher," he recalls. "Enrolling in the graduate program at Regis and getting my degree enabled me to become a special ed teacher and eventually an administrator at the Gifford School Regis partnered with Gifford to give a discount on tuition, which was a huge draw for me. Balancing work, school, and my personal life was definitely challenging! Fortunately, the Regis program was very flexible and I was able to take my time in getting my degree. Quitting my job and going to school full time was not an option for me. Classes were offered in the evenings, over winter break and during the summer, which was very helpful. In my current position, I help set education policy, train and supervise teaching staff [and] oversee our IEP drafting and implementation process. Previously at Gifford, I was a special education teacher in a self-contained classroom of students with emotional, behavioral, and learning challenges. Without a degree from Regis, I would not have been able to become a teacher or gain my new position as an administrator. While I think that my "on the job" work experience was most valuable to my current work, my courses at Regis gave me a really strong foundation. I often look back at the courses I took and what I learned to inform my current practice. I am hoping to help improve our school's integration of technology, especially given the current circumstances, and help teachers use best practices for online or hybrid learning. Another one of my major goals is to help develop an antiracism curriculum and an anti-racist approach in our organization."

Visit the <u>Graduate Alumni Ambassador website</u> to learn more.

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