

School of Education's Position on Remote Instruction During COVID-19
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The School of Education at UW Tacoma recognizes the significant impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on our community, nation, and world. Our main priority is ensuring our community's health, safety, and well-being. This statement describes the endorsed school-wide efforts to best support all students during these difficult times.

Faculty members in the School of Education are committed to continuing to provide all students with high-quality instruction as well as a high level of support. All faculty, staff, and students are expected to be as compassionate and flexible with each other/together as possible as we work through the autumn 2020 quarter in the remote environment.

All instructors in the school are expected to:

1. Communicate information about their course formats to students before the first day of each quarter.
2. Discuss whether they are using asynchronous and/or synchronous learning options.
3. All instructors will be asked to record synchronous course sessions to make them accessible to students who are unable to participate in live sessions. Students will not be penalized for missing a synchronous course session.
4. Students should directly contact their course instructors to discuss any extenuating circumstances or with questions about a specific course.

UWT offers several resources for students who are experiencing challenges and need extra support including Counseling Services, Emergency Aid, Disability Resources, and Veteran & Military Resource Center and should contact their academic advisor for assistance. Students who believe they have or may have contracted COVID-19 should contact UWT's Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Life, Dr. Bernard Anderson (bander48@uw.edu), to learn about procedures to access available support services and request academic accommodations. Students may also visit UW's resource page for more information: <https://www.washington.edu/coronavirus/#students>

This statement will be revised and updated quarterly to reflect county, statewide, and/or university guidelines.