

Hello,

As you heard in the communication from UofT President yesterday, the University is cancelling in-person classes and will provide that teaching by other means such as moving classes online through the end of this term. Further information about final exams will be available early next week. We are working diligently on our COVID-19 response and continue to monitor the situation. Here is some more information on some questions you may have:

Is UofT closing?

UofT is not closing.

Student services, including the campus Health & Counselling Centre, will continue to operate. As there may be some disruptions to services or changes to operating times, we recommend that you check directly with each service. Further information about final exams will be available early next week.

Is residence closing? Should I go home?

Residences remain open; however, you are encouraged to return home if that is reasonably possible for the remaining weeks of this term. Some factors to consider:

- Exams may or may not occur normally; we may not know this for a few days, so you may wish to defer your decision until more is known. Please note that you may need to return to campus for your final exams.
- If exams are held in the normal fashion in April, will your travel and resources reasonably allow you to return to the campus for yours?
- If your home is outside of Canada, are there travel restrictions to your home country or through any layover areas or countries?
- If you choose to depart, please take, at minimum, essential items to continue your education, including laptops, textbooks, and important papers.

We need to know your intention

It is important for us to know who will remain, who is planning to leave, and who has already left. Please complete the following form and let us know your intention by **March 20, 2020 at 12:00PM (noon)**.

You can find the web form here: <https://residence.utoronto.ca/stay-leave-form.html>

Update Your Emergency Contact Information

It is also recommended to update your emergency contact information to ensure that it is up to date. You may do so by logging in to ACORN.

Resources and Assistance

Coronavirus (COVID-19) and U of T's response <https://www.utoronto.ca/message-from-the-university-regarding-the-coronavirus#page-title>

Please contact the residence office for help for any matter including this one. Please note if you are sick with cold or flu-like symptoms – do not attend to our offices in person.

Thank you,
The Dean Of Students