

SCS TODAY: March 23, 2020

[A late-day, daily update from the SCS Dean's Office]

TODAY'S TOPICS

— It's official: CMU's commencement will not occur on campus in May. Rather, degrees will be conferred virtually. It's heartening that CMU is exploring ways to celebrate the Class of 2020's outstanding accomplishments together on campus in the next academic year, though. It's a priority of mine, too, that we stay in touch with new graduates in the months ahead to let you know how we believe we can honor and celebrate you and your years of impressive achievements here in SCS.

— Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf issued [a stay-at-home order for Allegheny County](#) effective 8 p.m. tonight. Stay calm; stay home; stay safe.

— Anticipated internet latency today? We didn't notice it.

OF NOTE

— I'm happy and proud to report that we're achieving normal (but remote) levels of school operation: online teaching is going smoothly with 100% of SCS classes now taking place online. Special events such as the Robotics Institute's virtual Ph.D. Open House are now underway, happening seamlessly. Keep up the good work, all!

— The Career & Professional Development Center (CPDC) moved to virtual student advising last week. Offerings such as virtual drop-ins, video appointments and online workshops allow the CPDC team to connect with and provide assistance to students. With strategic investments in technology resources over the past two years (interview simulation, resume review software, online career course on Canvas, virtual career fair platform), the CPDC is positioned to help students remotely around the globe with career services 24/7. <https://www.cmu.edu/career/>

— Our National Robotics Engineering Center (NREC) now has everyone working remotely and collaboratively via Rocket.Chat, <https://rocket.chat/>

TO KNOW

— Please keep an eye on the helpful Pittsburgh Mutual Aid Resource Library: <https://bit.ly/2UdOrbS>

— Mental health advocacy group "Here For You" starts Zoom meetings today and on Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. EDT, <https://cmu.zoom.us/j/3328223731>. Stay connected. Stay healthy.

— Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) has compiled a few resource guides (accessible to students with an Andrew account). Students are welcome to add comments, which are then used to continuously update the resource guides. <https://bit.ly/33QUIh3>

Until tomorrow,

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REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES

For Students: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/student-resources.html>

For Staff: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/staff-resources.html>

For Faculty: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/faculty-resources.html>

For Researchers: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/researcher-resources.html>

SCS Alerts: <https://scsdean.cs.cmu.edu/alerts>

SCS Faculty Hiring: [Updates and Guidelines](#)

Resources for Kids: <https://scsdean.cs.cmu.edu/alerts/kids.html>

CMU Coronavirus [Updates and Information](#) and [FAQ](#)

CMU [Health Services](#) 412-268-2157

Remote Education for Instructors: [SCS FAQ](#) and [Eberly Center FAQ](#)