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**Message from Chancellor Dubois about COVID-19 Case**

March 23, 2020

Dear UNC Charlotte Community:

The University was informed today that a student has tested positive for COVID-19. We have been in contact with this student, and they are in isolation and receiving the proper medical attention.

The student was studying abroad, self-quarantined upon return to the U.S. and did not return to campus.

In accordance with privacy laws and University policy, we will not release any additional identifying information about this person. We are working closely with local health department officials to ensure notifications are made quickly to those who may have come in contact with the student so they can be directed as to their next steps. We are grateful for the health department's partnership and expertise in this situation.

I know this is concerning news. However, as testing for the virus becomes more widespread, we will begin to see more confirmed cases in the Charlotte region. I encourage everyone to remain vigilant in protecting their health and the health of others.

We will continue to complete our classes online, and our employees will continue to telework with only mandatory employees on campus to ensure we are doing all we can to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

As reported by the Centers for Disease Control, most who experience this illness will have mild flu-like symptoms. If you are experiencing fever, cough, or shortness of breath, please contact your primary health care provider directly for assistance and guidance on next steps.

Please continue to take the following precautions:

- Follow **social distancing practices** in your daily lives, including staying at least 6 feet away from other persons and avoiding people who are sick.
- Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly for at least 20 seconds with soap and water. If water and soap are unavailable, use an alcohol-based sanitizer.
- Cover your cough and sneezes (into your elbow or tissue) and wash your hands immediately.

Our leadership team is monitoring this rapidly changing situation. I ask that you pay close attention to your email and the information on the Emergency Management website for updates.

Please continue to take care of yourself, your families, and each other.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phil".

Philip L. Dubois  
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