

**Subject:** Message from Dean Galloway

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**To:** Honors Students <honorsstudents@txstate.edu>

Dear Honors College students,

We hope you are safe and well as we restart the spring semester. Honors faculty, staff, and student workers have been working hard throughout the extended break to ensure the best possible educational experience for you under these difficult new circumstances.

By now, you should have heard from your honors instructors about plans for completing your courses through remote instruction. If you haven't heard from your instructors or have concerns about your resources or access to a class, please let us know how we can help. Registration for Summer and Fall 2020 begins on Monday, April 6th. The dates on previous emails from the course lottery should be adjusted by one week.

But the honors experience is about more than classes. The Honors College at Texas State was built around a coffee lounge for a reason: intellectual community is at the heart of a great college education. We have also been working on creating new ways for you to engage with honors and stay connected to your peers. Look for the new Virtual Coffee Forum (#TXSTHonorsVCF) for more information and updates, and feel free to create your own honors community and invite our staff and faculty to join in.

We are continually impressed by your intelligence and resilience and know you will be doing your part to slow the spread of this virus that is rapidly changing our world. Your health and safety are our first priority, so we will be doing our part to enforce social distancing per CDC, state and local, and university recommendations. Physical isolation, however, does not have to mean social isolation. If you have ideas for helping us sustain a virtual community in honors throughout this crisis, please reach out to us.

You may contact us by email at <mailto:honors@txstate.edu> or by phone at 512 245 2266—though our presence on campus will be limited, we will continue to answer email and phone calls regularly. If you want to reach a specific honors faculty or staff member, you may email or call them directly.

More news and updates from Honors will be coming your way soon.

Sincerely,

Dr. Heather Galloway  
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