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Dear UC Hastings Community:

As we are all aware, the news of the COVID-19 virus continues to change rapidly. While the risk to the general public in California remains low, the situation is evolving rapidly. This poses logistical challenges for all organizations, and UC Hastings Law is no different. While we hope for the best possible outcome given the circumstances, the College administration has an obligation to prepare for all scenarios, an obligation that we take seriously. To that end, we have reviewed and updated our [pandemic response plan](#) and are engaging in discussions across the College to evaluate the impact of a possible pandemic of various magnitudes.

As a general principle, the College is following the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines and will work closely with the California Department of Public Health if issues arise on campus or in the broader Bay Area. We expect and request that all community members practice [healthy habits](#). We are prepared to take additional action to support everyone's health if the situation worsens, which may include modifying and/or curtailing operations. Most immediately, we are restricting all non-essential, business-related travel to countries that are listed as a 'Warning Level 3' by the CDC. This list currently includes mainland China and South Korea. We can expect that it is likely to change. We strongly urge all community members to review [CDC Travel Recommendations](#) prior to making travel arrangements or deciding whether to take a preplanned trip, and to remain vigilant of updates while abroad, as this may impact the process and ability to re-enter the United States.

For easy access to links with real-time information as well as information about on-campus resources, we have created a [My Hastings page on the Coronavirus](#). We remain committed to support the health and safety of the campus. We will keep the community apprised of developments as they pertain to our campus.

Regards,

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