



COVID-19 Update

October 28, 2020

Throughout the summer and this fall, NPRC has been following the recommendations from the CDC, Dr. Fauci, and other public health professionals. In late October, we see the number of virus cases is increasing, and it appears that the pandemic will continue to be with us in the upcoming months. Further, public health professionals recommend that the people in the US need to "hunker down" for the next few months. As we did in the summer and fall semesters, we are placing everyone's health and wellbeing at the forefront.

That said, the college will continue to offer classes remotely in the spring semester. Special considerations will be made on an individual basis for those who are unable to participate in courses from their home. Making this decision now allows the faculty time to prepare their courses with remote delivery in mind. It also provides students with a clear understanding of what to expect and for us all to know how we will be operating throughout the semester to avoid unnecessary disruption to classes. There will be some exceptions to this, particularly in our workforce development courses, where in-person training is required, and for students whose internet access is unable to fully support their classroom experience. In those cases, we will continue to follow the recommendations of the College's COVID task force.

A decision about class delivery for the summer will be made no later than the beginning of March. Again, we will decide several months in advance to allow time for faculty and students to prepare their classes and schedules and consider public health guidelines and recommendations in our decision.

Open registration for the Spring semester will begin November 16 and our Student Success Specialists are available to set up virtual admissions meetings to assist with application or enrollment questions. Please email <u>Admissions</u> to request a meeting with a Student Success Specialist.

Additional updates on actions we are taking during this unprecedented time will be provided as they become available. We appreciate your patience and understanding.