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Classes that were scheduled 100% online prior to COVID-19 will remain as originally scheduled.

Additional information will be available no later than July 24 regarding asynchronous, synchronous, and face-to-face requirements.



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### What is the method of instruction for courses for Fall 2020?

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Classes which were already scheduled 100% online (prior to COVID-19 changes) will not be altered.

While general information is available now on the Fall 2020 Instructional Changes Website, details will be added for each course no later than July 24. Check back often, but details will include asynchronous, synchronous, and specific lab/assessment requirements.

### How will I know which of my courses will be delivered face-to-face or online in the fall?

A list of all courses' instructional modality changes is available at [cos.edu/fall2020](https://cos.edu/fall2020).

Additional information about all classes will be available on this website no later than July 24. Hybrid courses will have a hyperlink to specific instructions, including the how and when the laboratory component is scheduled. Online courses will include information about synchronous or asynchronous instruction.

*Note:* All face-to-face labs/assessments are scheduled during the original timeframe of the class, so students will not have schedule conflicts.

### Will the College offer online versions of the hybrid face-to-face labs?

The list of essential labs which are meeting face-to-face was developed with significant input and consultation with Academic Deans, Division Chairs, and faculty teaching the courses. These laboratories, specifically those in Career Technical Education (welding, industrial maintenance, environmental control technology, allied health, animal science, etc.) are considered essential, meaning they need to be held face-to-face because they cannot be effectively delivered online.

Additionally, a few courses that require a face-to-face performance assessments were also approved for a limited number of meetings.

Please note: there are courses (Fire, Police, and Nursing/Allied Health) which have required face-to-face or clinical meetings based on legal and accreditation compliance.

### Do I need to wear a mask on a COS campus while attending my face-to-face laboratories?

Yes, when on a COS campus, everyone is required to wear a face covering to reduce possible exposure to COVID-19 and to help prevent the spread of the virus. This is consistent with the Governor's order and updated State public-health guidelines. So, please be sure to bring and wear a face covering each time you come to campus!

### Can I get a laptop or hotspot to assist me with online learning?

The Library/LRC has a program that allows students to check-out laptops and hotspots free of charge. To request a hotspot, laptop, or the renewal of devices already checked-out, fill out the [Laptop and Hotspot Request Form](#). If you have questions about this program, call 730-3825; email [library@cos.edu](mailto:library@cos.edu); or visit the [website](#).

### What services are available for students who need help now?

The operations of the three campuses are OPEN, however, staff are serving students remotely. With the exception of a few approved face-to-face laboratories, the campuses will remain closed to student traffic through August 3. An update will be provided at that time. Visit the [website](#) for current contact information.

A wide array of services are available to students to ensure their success, well-being and engagement. Please visit the [Remote Resources webpage](#) for more information.

**Synchronous Instruction:** Learning that occurs in real time, but not in the same place (typically via Zoom or Canvas Conference).

**Asynchronous Instruction:** Learning that occurs without real-time interaction.



## How do I access my student email?

1. Visit COS.EDU
2. Top right hand corner select orange button MyGiant
3. Login using your student email and password
4. Locate and select icon for Office 365 & Email
5. Select icon and select Work/School Account
6. Select email icon to open your student emails



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## How do I access Canvas?

1. Go to COS.EDU
2. Click on MyGiant - Orange button at the top right-hand corner of the screen
3. Login using your student username and password
4. Click login
5. Look for the icon labelled Canvas
6. Click on Canvas to open
7. Your Canvas Dash Board will open
8. Use the navigation tool bar on the left-hand side of the screen to view your account, courses, calendar, inbox, and more.



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## Need more Canvas help?

Click here on this [link](#); and then click on the box entitled “Canvas, Email, Zoom and Tech Resources”

Need 24/7 Canvas Help? Canvas Support phone lines for both FACULTY (833-221-7459) and STUDENTS (877-894-3392). Spanish speaking staff is available.

Canvas Guides are very helpful. Click on [STUDENT Canvas Guides](#)

An example of a link under Student Canvas Guides entitled: “How do I view Discussions as a student?” [is available here](#)