

A Culture of Shared Responsibility

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Dear Members of the Law School Community,

As the start of the Fall term approaches, I wanted to share with you some reflections and ask you to watch a brief video (link below) prepared by members of our community.

Here are the reflections: Over the summer, countless individuals - students, faculty and staff - have worked tirelessly to prepare for the start of term. I'm grateful to each of you for those efforts. At the end of the day, though, the impact of those efforts boils down to a single proposition: Our community must embrace **a culture of shared responsibility.**

What does this mean? It means that we must work together in order to provide a safe, healthy and secure environment for every person in our community. Not only does this include the 725+ students, faculty and staff, it also includes the family members, roommates, partners, grandparents, or children who are anxious or at higher risk for complications with COVID-19. We are doing this for them too.

As part of that culture of shared responsibility, the Law School has undertaken many changes such as:

- Reconfigured classrooms and spaces to allow for social distancing
- Student groups rotating in and out of the building to reduce density
- Sanitizing stations and disinfecting wipes readily available

Please watch this [VIDEO](#) where you will hear from members of our community calling ALL Law Dawgs to protect one another in the days ahead as we weather this pandemic and ultimately become stronger together, even at a time when we must physically distance.

If you remember one phrase, let it be the 3-Ws: (1) **W**ear a mask. (2) **W**ait 6 feet apart. (3) **W**ash (and disinfect) your hands.

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