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To: All Faculty  
From: Diane Gauvin, Academic Dean  
Date: May 1, 2020  
Subject: **Summer session**

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The planning for the summer session has now been finalized. It will run from June 15 to August 6 and will include *rattrapage* classes from June 25 to August 3.

Owing to the exceptional circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the College has planned a summer session that is driven largely by the needs of Dawson's students. The students who need summer school are, in order of priority:

1. Potential graduates;
2. Students in technical programs who need to take general education courses so as to remain in good standing in their program;
3. Students admitted to university in Fall 2020 on condition that they complete certain prerequisites;
4. Students admitted to Dawson for Fall 2020 on condition that they pass certain *rattrapage* courses;
5. Students who withdrew (asked for authorized absence) from courses in Winter 2020 and want to take summer courses so as not to fall too far behind in their program;
6. Students who want take courses in their program so as to alleviate their workload in the fall or winter semesters.

There will be no new admission. *Commandite* students (students sent by other colleges) will be accepted only where space allows.

Overall, the number of course offerings and sections have been reduced. Furthermore, some courses that would normally be completed in one month or less will be delivered over a longer period.

Discussions have taken place between department chairs and deans about the pedagogical feasibility of meeting course competencies in an online format. In addition, it now appears that there will be an opportunity for limited access to the college during the summer, for certain activities such as some labs. The activities must be approved by the *Direction régionale de santé publique de Montréal* and be conducted according to the protocols established by public health officials.

The timetable clearly informs students that limited activities might take place in person, and that they must respect the health and safety procedures in place when at the college.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane Gauvin".

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