Frequently Asked Questions: Partially On-Campus Courses in Fall 2020

1. **What does “partially on campus” mean?**
   “Partially on campus” means that a course will meet on campus at least one time during the fall semester. The remainder of the course will be delivered remotely. Each of these 17 courses has at least one lab or clinical section that was determined to require in-person instruction. On-campus sections will be held in small groups and in specific areas of campus to limit density, promote safety, and enable individualized instruction. All lectures associated with the course will still be delivered remotely.

2. **When and where will my partially on-campus course(s) take place?**
   Your instructor will provide you with information about when and where you are expected to be on campus. Check your UMass Boston email regularly to keep track of the schedule.

3. **What should I do if I do not feel comfortable coming to campus or cannot attend an in-person session?**
   Contact your instructor about options. If you are uncomfortable coming to in-person classes, make sure to contact your instructor or advisor before the add/drop deadline on Tuesday, September 15.

4. **What are my options for getting to campus?**
   You can always walk or bike to campus if those options are accessible to you. If you are driving to campus, you can park in the West Garage or Lot D, or be dropped off in the campus drop-off zones (next to the ISC and next to Campus Center/Wheatley). If you are taking public transit, the MBTA bus 8 and 16 are running between JFK/UMass station and campus.

5. **How do I get to my class?**
   If your class is held in Quinn: Enter through the stairwell directly across from the West Garage and follow signs to Quinn. For an accessible entry point, enter the ISC through the main doors on the ground level, then take the elevator to the first floor to reach the connector. Take the connector to Quinn.
   If your class is held in the ISC: Enter through the main doors on the ground level across from the traffic circle. If you are coming from the West Garage, cross the street and take a right to walk to the main doors.
   If your class is held in Wheatley: The only entrance available at the start of the semester is through the catwalk. Enter through the ISC or through the stairwell across from the West Garage. Proceed to the second floor to reach the catwalk. Take the catwalk to Wheatley.
   If your class is held in University Hall: From the West Garage or the Route 8/16 drop-off point, take the Beacon Walk path to University Hall.

6. **What are the safety protocols on campus and in the lab to keep students, faculty, staff, and those they live with safe?**
   Please watch the safety video and review the on-campus guide to understand the safety protocols in place on campus. Importantly, by conducting the vast majority of work and coursework in a remote fashion this semester, we have decreased the density of people on campus in order to promote health and safety. For those who will be on campus, the key things to know are that face coverings should be worn at all times, social distancing should be observed, and good hygiene practices are strongly encouraged.

7. **Is testing available on campus?**
   University Health Services (UHS) is conducting testing on campus for symptomatic individuals, for contact tracing purposes, for students living in the residence halls, and on-demand for members of the UMass Boston community. Given the low density on campus this semester, and the safety protocols that we have put in place for all on-campus activities, at this point we are not planning to mandate testing for non-residential students with a partially on-campus course. We will revisit this policy as needed as the
situation evolves.

8. **What should I do if I have a remote class adjacent to my on-campus lab session, or need somewhere to study?**
   If you have another class directly before or after your on-campus lab/simulation session, please let the instructor of your partially on-campus course know. Solutions to this challenge will be taken on a case-by-case basis to allow students to attend all of their classes while promoting safety on campus.

9. **Are other campus services (tutoring, dining, U-ACCESS, etc.) open on campus this fall?**
   While all of our services are operating remotely, no campus services will not be offered on campus. Note that no on-campus dining options will be available for non-resident students. Visit umb.edu/coronavirus for the latest on how to access critical campus resources including U-ACCESS, General Medicine, Counseling, and more.