Dear Instructors,

We write with an update on plans for the upcoming fall quarter.

It is exciting to welcome our students back on campus for a residential experience, including appropriate in-person educational activity. This is an important part of what makes attending UCI so special to our students. We are encouraged to hear from our colleagues in the UC system (and our Law School) where instruction has begun that students are very pleased to be back in person.

We understand that the rise of the delta variant is causing anxiety. We also know that there are members of our community who are managing individual circumstances, including people with young children or immunocompromised family members. It is essential that we take care of each other.

The many steps that we are taking are designed to protect the health and well-being of our community during the return to in-person instruction. These steps include the vaccination policy, indoor face covering requirements, symptom checking, testing protocols, isolation/quarantine, contact tracing, and wastewater monitoring.

We also take this opportunity to remind you that there is flexibility in what an in-person class may entail. Some of the options available can be found here. General information about fall quarter including a comprehensive FAQ section is available here. If you have any remaining questions about instructional delivery, please contact our problem-solving team at 949-824-3594 or dtei@uci.edu.

We will continue to monitor local events and will provide additional updates in the weeks to come.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our students and our community.

Sincerely,

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