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Dear Franklin Pierce Students,

As you know, on-site courses on the Rindge campus will begin being delivered remotely using Canvas on March 30th. We want to assure you that all of us at the University are here to guide and support you in this transition. Please read the following information to be prepared, and more importantly, reach out to faculty and support staff for any questions you may have.

To prepare for this transition you can do the following now:

- Ensure that you can log into [Canvas](#) from your location/device and that your audio and video settings are functioning properly. If not, contact [IT Help Desk](#).
- Review the [Canvas Student Orientation](#) course
- Download the Canvas app to your smartphone/device via your app store.
- Check your Franklin Pierce email frequently for communications from the university and your instructors.
- Download a copy of [Office 365](#) apps to your device (Word, PowerPoint, Excel) - this is FREE to FPU.
- Be prepared to dedicate the same amount of time to your courses online as you would to face-to-face courses if you were on campus.
- For due dates, keep in mind that you may be living in a different time zone.
- [CLICK HERE](#) to find a guide to the Top 5 things you need to know to be successful in online courses.

University wide communications will continue to be sent to your Franklin Pierce email. Please check the university [COVID-19 page](#) for a record of all recent University updates.

All instructors will be presenting plans for completion of courses by March 30th. ***For questions about specific courses, students should contact the course instructor.***

The University's priority is to ensure academic continuity and to facilitate your success in the completion of all in-process courses. We are working closely with instructors to develop remote learning opportunities, alternative assessments, and extensions of time while being sensitive to the ongoing situation we are all experiencing.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to find contact information for members of the Franklin Pierce learning community who are here to support you through this transition.

Please do not hesitate to contact us - we are here to guide you in this challenging time,

The Franklin Pierce Community