**Covid-19 Notice**

While this course is a face-to-face course in a classroom, we are still dealing with effects of COVID-19. In fact, almost daily there are reports that the infection rates are or will increase.

If I test positive for COVID-19, in-person meetings will be canceled until I am cleared to return to the classroom. If I must miss more than one class session, you may be asked to complete specific tasks on Canvas until in-person meetings can resume. This may include submitting assignments, taking quizzes, or participating in class discussions. I may opt to hold Zoom sessions during regular class time or schedule Zoom conferences, although you will not be penalized if you are unable to attend those sessions. Any changes of this nature should be temporary, and the official modality of the class will not change unless mandated by local, state, and/or federal authorities.

If you are exposed to or test positive for COVID-19 or if you are having any of the common symptoms (fever, body aches, sore throat, headache, etc.), do not come to class.Please notify me right away that you will need to miss class. I will try to work with you so that you don’t fall behind (alternative assignments to make up for class work, lessons posted online, or perhaps volunteer note-taking from a classmate). Be aware, however, that I cannot change the modality of the class for you for extended periods of time. In other words, an in-person class cannot become an online class if you need to miss multiple class sessions. If you must miss multiple weeks of class, even in the case of illness, it may be best to explore your options for class withdrawal and focus on your health.

If you have any questions and/or concerns about this, please feel free to speak with me privately.