

## **EMU at Lancaster Re-Opening Plan**

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Dear EMU at Lancaster Community,

I am pleased to share with you the official EMU at Lancaster Re-opening Plan in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We plan to re-open our Charter Lane office beginning the week of August 10 and to resume in-person classes beginning September 1. This email includes both the full EMU at Lancaster Re-Opening Plan and a summary EMU at Lancaster Re-Opening Overview document for your review.

This plan is based on the best health and safety guidance that is currently available from the Centers for Disease Control, the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the American College Health Association, and the Lancaster County Public Health Mitigation Team.

Recognizing that zero-risk is not possible under any re-opening plan, we are confident that we have put protocols in place that place us in a "very low risk" category in regard to COVID-19 exposure and spread. However, the successful implementation of the plan depends on every one one of us working together to create a culture of responsibility. Please review the plan and the overview document carefully and feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have.

One of our core values at EMU at Lancaster is to provide a supportive learning community where faculty, staff, and students can thrive; our ability to deliver on that promise will require the commitment of every member of our community to comply with health and safety protocols for themselves, for their families, and for the community at large. Never has there been a more critical invitation to Lead Together.

I look forward to seeing many of you on-site (from a distance) very soon!

Gratefully,

Mary

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