



April 15, 2020
10:00 a.m.

We know you are experiencing uncertain and challenging times. I want to acknowledge your continued hard work as you adapt to our changed circumstances and first online final exam period in the University's history. Balancing your academic workload with other personal responsibilities can be difficult during these complex times. Please know we are here to support you.

You may have already heard the Ontario government has extended the provincial state of emergency for an additional four weeks. Our initial communication on March 17th indicated Brescia would move to an essential services model "until further notice." I can confirm that Brescia will continue to follow the governments' directive and remain operating in an "essential services" model through the coming weeks. Our priority is ensuring you, our students, have all you need to complete the end of the term successfully and that our residents living on campus in Clare Hall remain safe, healthy and comfortable.

I understand we are facing uncertain days and the current situation has changed our life patterns quite rapidly, regardless of where we are in the world. As we look for answers to the many unknowns that exist, I remind myself that the Brescia community is one that responds with compassion and tenacity. Our strength is in our belief in our community and you, our courageous students. Let us extend care to each other and those around us as we continue to live our Ursuline values and finish out the final weeks of the academic term with strength and determination.

Sincerely,
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