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Dear Members of the OISE Community,

Keeping in contact with you is one of my priorities as the Dean of OISE and I hope to continue to offer a community update every Monday of the week for the foreseeable future as well as the Inside OISE @ Home Edition e-newsletter every Thursday. You can find the updates and e-newsletters on the [OISE Memos and Announcements website](#).

In this update, I want to share the latest information on (i) spring/summer academic sessions, (ii) Equitable and Inclusive Practice Working Remotely, (iii) OISE Library Services, and (iv) subscribing to Provost Digest and Research Alerts.

Spring and Summer Sessions

OISE will be offering all courses on-line for the spring and summer sessions. We have made this decision now to allow students to be in a position to make an informed-decision when planning and registering for both spring and summer course options. Please visit the [OISE Registrar and Student Services website](#) to obtain all information regarding registering in courses for these sessions.

Equitable and Inclusive Practice Working Remotely

While we can be proud of how quickly we have been able to move to remote arrangements, I think it is especially important to be aware of and responsive to integrating equitable and inclusive practices. UofT's Equity Team is offering faculty and staff a series of sessions starting tomorrow, March 31st at 10am. Please be sure to visit the UofT [website and register](#) for these very important sessions.

OISE Library

The physical library may be closed, but the OISE Library team is still hard at work responding to your questions and finding online solutions for your library needs. You can find their contact information, see updates, and link to online library services on the [Accessing Remote Library Services](#) website.

The Library has received quite a few questions over the past week related to returning books; rest assured *there is no need to return your books at this time*. All loans will be extended, and no late fines charged. If you do wish to return books, you can return them to the book drop at Robarts Library.

Subscribe to Provost Digest & Research Alerts: For Faculty and Staff

At this time, it is very important that all faculty and staff take a moment and subscribe to the [Provost's Weekly Digest website](#). The Provost is sending a range of important updates and information that will relate to you. For example, this week the message provides an update on faculty PTR, support for researchers, and more. There has never been a more

important time to monitor this information as things are quickly evolving. Similarly, if you are not already subscribed to [UofT's Research Alerts](#), please consider doing so; these communications provide regular information on funding opportunities and supports as well as important information regarding COVID-19-related opportunities, changes to deadlines, etc.

As expressed in my last update, I realize that we are facing quite an uncertain time. We need to be good to ourselves while we continue to respond as the COVID-19 situation develops. I encourage you to reach out by phone, email, and other virtual means to your departments and units, peers, colleagues, and friends to discuss your concerns and support needs as you try to continue with your studies and work. At the same time, we all need time to process what is happening and so I do encourage you to also take the time needed to be well and stay well.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glen A. Jones', written in a cursive style.

Glen A. Jones, Ph.D.
Professor and Dean