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## KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

Dear KSU Community:

The USG has issued the below press release regarding details for campus operations for the remainder of the semester. Please note the following key points from the release:

• Effective immediately, Kennesaw State University will be implementing a new directive from the University System of Georgia (USG) to complete the Spring 2020 semester through remote learning programs. No classes will be held in person on any of KSU's campuses for the remainder of the semester.

Please note that all Remote learning for KSU students will begin on Wednesday, March 18 and continue for the remainder of the semester.

• Residence halls at Kennesaw State will be closed to students with very few exceptions provided. Only students who are unable to return home or cannot find alternative housing will be considered to remain on campus.

University housing will contact students directly to schedule appointments for individuals to return to campus to retrieve personal belongings. This appointment schedule is necessary to adhere to current federal guidelines to limit crowd sizes in order to help combat the spread of the virus. Students will NOT be allowed to return to campus until permission is provided by the university.

- The University System of Georgia will be providing guidance to campuses on refunds for housing, dining, and other services. Students should wait for KSU to contact them.
- All USG institutions will remain open but will operate with minimal staffing on campus to ensure the continuity of critical services.





## USG Moves to Online Instruction for Remainder of Semester For Immediate Release

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The University System of Georgia (USG) has decided that all 26 institutions will move to online instruction for all courses for the remainder of the semester with extremely limited exceptions. This action comes following last week's decision to suspend instruction for two weeks to ensure business and instructional continuity, and to allow further state assessment of COVID-19.

Students are not allowed to return to campus until they receive permission from their institution, which will be forthcoming soon.

Additionally, residence halls will be closed, with minimal exceptions for students unable to return home, or who cannot find housing elsewhere. Students will receive specific instructions from campus leaders regarding when they will be allowed to return to campus to retrieve their belongings from residence halls. Students must follow those instructions. For those students who are unable to depart campus, we will make every effort to accommodate these students.

USG will be providing guidance to campuses on refunds for housing, dining, and other services. Students should wait for their campus to contact them.

Institutions will remain open, with minimal staff physically on-site, to ensure continuity of certain services.

In the end, we want to ensure that our faculty, staff and students are safe; that we do our part to help stem the spread of the coronavirus in Georgia; and that we fulfill our mission to graduate our students even in the face of these challenging times.

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