Dear Members of the Penn State Law and SIA Community,

I am writing to provide you with an update on Spring 2021. While there are still many uncertainties about the spring due to the evolving public health situation, the university has decided to use the same instructional modes as it did this fall if some form of in-person instruction is possible.

Both Penn State Law and SIA plan to take the same approach in Spring 2021 as they have in Fall 2020 to instructional modes. Courses will be offered in COVID Mixed Mode and allow for students to choose between hybrid in-person or remote instruction. We will plan for the same health and safety and building protocols; classrooms will have reduced capacity to allow for social distancing.

Similarly, faculty and staff will be able to have adjustments from in person work for health and safety reasons. I will assume that those who have requested adjustments for Fall 2020 will continue them into Spring 2021.

- If Penn State Law faculty need to change their adjustment status, they should let me know.
- If SIA faculty need to change their adjustment status, they should let Scott Gartner know.
- If staff in either school need to change their adjustment status, they should let their supervisor know.

Please note that we do not know yet whether some form of in-person instruction will be possible in Spring 2021, and that there may be some adjustments to the Spring academic calendar. The university advises instructors and students to delay making travel plans until these decisions have been made.

As always, I appreciate your patience and supportiveness to one another as we continue to navigate this crisis. I will continue to provide you with additional updates on Spring 2021 as I have them.

Best,
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