



## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Students, University of Toronto Scarborough

From: William A. Gough, Vice-Principal Academic & Dean

Date: 12 November 2020

Re: Winter 2021 Course Delivery

November 12, 2020

Dear UTSC Students:

When I welcomed you with a <u>video message</u> earlier this summer, I indicated that public health restrictions would likely remain in place for the winter and UTSC would offer only a limited number of in-person classes. My message also indicated that, should it become necessary, this limited group of in-person classes would be modified and some or all moved to an online format.

Following consultation with my colleagues in the campus academic leadership, I have decided to proceed only with those in-person course elements that are deemed essential to the learning outcomes of the course, that is, those elements that cannot be replicated in an online/remote environment. These will be mainly laboratories. The others will be offered online.

In coming to this decision, the safety and well-being of our community remains our top priority. Neither students nor instructors will be required to participate in these remaining in-person elements. We also maintain our commitment to offer these elements in subsequent academic terms and to make appropriate accommodation for those intending to graduate in June. Of course, if health regulations necessitate, we will pivot appropriately in compliance with provincial directives and convert these elements also to an online format.

If you are currently enrolled in a winter course that includes an in-person element that will now be delivered online you will receive a message from the Registrar's Office with the details. These changes will also be indicated on the course timetable.

I am deeply appreciative of your flexibility and resiliency, as circumstances have evolved. I wish you well as you head into the final weeks of the term and the exam period.

Warm regards,

William A. Gough

Vice-Principal Academic & Dean University of Toronto Scarborough