

# PEPPERDINE SEAVER COLLEGE

**TO:** Seaver College Students  
**FROM:** Michael Feltner, Dean of Seaver College  
**DATE:** March 30, 2020  
**RE:** Seaver College Summer School Update

To serve the needs of its students, Seaver College will offer every course planned for Sessions I, II, and III in Malibu during the summer of 2020.

Regrettably, Seaver College has decided to suspend the operation of all international programs planned for the summer of 2020, except the London Harry Potter and London Hamilton programs planned for July. A decision on the operation of these two programs will be made at a later date. Specifically, the following international programs have been suspended.

- All programs at the Heidelberg, Lausanne, Florence, Buenos Aires, Shanghai, and Washington DC international campus sites.
- All London campus programs beginning in May and June.
- All faculty-led programs including Jordan, Fiji, and East Africa.
- The Prague Choir Tour
- The Edinburgh Theatre program
- The Global Fellows Israel trip

This decision is based on all information available to the University, including the spread of COVID-19, travel warnings from national and international organizations, commercial flight availability, academic programming needs, feedback from program directors, and our care for the student experience. To support students enrolled in summer IP programs, the college will offer all courses planned for each summer international program on the Malibu campus during the summer of 2020 to the greatest extent possible.

Seaver College's commitment to serve students and ensure the quality of their educational experience remains steadfast in spite of the challenges wrought by COVID-19 throughout the world.

Across our country and throughout higher education, the COVID-19 situation has created great disruption. The past several weeks have been difficult, and we all desire a return to normalcy and the routines of our pre-COVID lives. For this reason, Seaver College will do everything possible to return students to the Malibu campus and resume the college's in-person academic courses during the summer of 2020. At this time, the likelihood of safely resuming in-person classes in Malibu during May is low.

Consequently, the college is deferring the start of Session I by four weeks and merging all classes planned for Sessions II and III into a single combined session. To further support the timely progress toward degree completion for all students, Seaver is adding an online summer session, Session A, during the previously planned Session I period. With these changes, the revised Seaver College academic calendar for the summer of 2020 is as follows.

<b>Session</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Courses Offered</b>
Online Session A	May 11–June 5, 2020	Select GE Courses
Session I	June 8–July 2, 2020	Classes Planned for Session I
Combined Session II/III	July 6– 31, 2020	Classes planned for Session II and Session III

We remain hopeful that the COVID-19 outlook will greatly improve and allow for a return to campus for the start of Session I on June 8, 2020. The University will continue to closely monitor the situation and the guidance from state and federal governmental agencies as we plan for the start of Session I. Should conditions preclude the safe resumption of classes in Malibu on June 8, we have contingency plans that allow for the transition of all Session I, and if necessary all Session II/III, classes for remote or online delivery. We also have prepared alternate calendars for Sessions I and II/III that delay the start of each session to allow for in-person delivery of courses in Malibu. Whatever our future decisions, we pledge to maintain regular communication with you and to

announce a decision on the start date and format for all Session I classes no later than May 18, three weeks before the planned start of the session.

- Students enrolling in courses planned for the Malibu campus during the revised Session I or the combined Session II/III blocks will receive free on-campus housing in a double occupancy room and a 600 point on-campus meal plan during each session.
- Students living off-campus while enrolled in classes during Sessions I and II/III will receive a 600 point on-campus meal plan during each session.
- In both Sessions I and II/III, all meal plan points expire and do not roll forward at the end of each session.
- All students with unmet financial need and who complete an online course or courses during the newly created online Session A will receive an \$805 dollar credit, an amount equal to the cost of a double occupancy room and 600 point meal plan during an in-person summer session, to their student account.
- Additionally, all qualified students remain eligible to receive financial aid during the summer term.

During Session A, the following courses are planned for offering: HUM 111, HUM 212, HUM 313, REL 301, HIST 204, ENG 380, COM 313, and POSC 104. Students may review Session I and combined Session II/III course offerings by logging into WaveNet. Due to the many changes associated with the addition of an academic session and revision of the summer term academic calendar, course offerings will not be finalized until April 6. For this reason, students planning to enroll in summer school should check WaveNet frequently for updates.

Registration for all summer classes remains open and all add, drop, and withdrawal fees for the 2020 summer term have been waived. Students registering for classes during Session A should be aware that most all classes will be delivered synchronously using the Zoom online learning platform.

All students are encouraged to reach out to either their faculty or OneStop advisor using the Navigate platform (or via email) to schedule an advising appointment to support their enrollment in summer school, if necessary.