

SCS TODAY: March 24, 2020

[A late-day, daily update from the SCS Dean's Office]

PLEASE SHARE YOUR STORY

— Do you have an interesting story to share about teaching, learning or working from your off-campus location? Are you finding that you're overcoming new challenges that didn't exist for you before spring break? Are you discovering some good news about yourself, your classmates or your colleagues while all of us find ourselves operating in a new paradigm? Please share and help everyone feel more connected by sending your stories via email to share-your-story@cs.cmu.edu

TODAY'S TOPICS

— New faculty hiring is underway and presentations are progressing smoothly: 17 faculty candidates have presented via Zoom to more than 1,100 attendees. So far, so good!

— The first exam was conducted in SCS -- a timed exam during a graduate-level machine learning class of more than 100 students -- using a variety of tools including Gradescope for test questions, Piazza for students to ask questions, Slack for TAs to communicate and Zoom for class monitoring. While two students temporarily lost their connection, all worked out fine once the students reconnected. SCS departmental academic continuity liaisons will collect and share comparable experiences for the benefit of all.

— All research in SCS is now occurring remotely and I realize challenges remain. Please stay in touch with your department's research continuity liaison, now listed on the SCS Alerts page, <https://scsdean.cs.cmu.edu/alerts>. My thanks to everyone involved in continuing to work on this.

OF NOTE

— Find CMU's updated/amended 2019-20 Academic Calendar here: <https://www.cmu.edu/hub/calendar/>

— Be sure to share this information from the CMU CS Academy with your friends who are high school or middle school teachers: <https://academy.cs.cmu.edu/coronavirus2020>

— It's important that SCS employees do not access campus buildings and facilities unless it's of emergency-level importance or you are an approved person for research reasons. No exceptions, please.

TO KNOW

— From our friends at IBM: The [IBM Academic Initiative](#) is a self-service program that provides students and faculty with access to select IBM resources at no charge for classroom and research purposes.

Until tomorrow,

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REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES

For Students: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/student-resources.html>

For Staff: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/staff-resources.html>

For Faculty: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/faculty-resources.html>

For Researchers: <https://www.cmu.edu/alert/coronavirus/resources/researcher-resources.html>

SCS Alerts: <https://scsdean.cs.cmu.edu/alerts>

SCS Faculty Hiring: [Updates and Guidelines](#)

Resources for Kids: <https://scsdean.cs.cmu.edu/alerts/kids.html>

CMU Coronavirus [Updates and Information](#) and [FAQ](#)

CMU [Health Services](#) 412-268-2157

Remote Education for Instructors: [SCS FAQ](#) and [Eberly Center FAQ](#)