

A message from Dr. Janet Morrison



Sheridan's Fall Promise

June 10, 2020

Dear students,

We know that many students continue to have questions about the Fall term learning experience. I'm pleased to announce a suite of efforts that Sheridan is undertaking to meet the unprecedented challenges brought on by the coronavirus pandemic and to ensure that your learning will continue, uncompromised, this Fall.

Refunds

Having previously announced the delivery mode for each of our programs (remote or a blend of remote and in-person delivery), Sheridan is committed to maintaining its high standard of student satisfaction. In order to provide you with an opportunity to experience your delivery model firsthand, you will be able to withdraw without academic penalty before October 9 and receive a full refund of your tuition and fees including your enrolment deposit.

Affordability

Recognizing the financial strain that many students and their families are experiencing at this time, we are also reducing deposit fees and introducing flexible tuition payment plans. In addition, we're reducing the overall cost of enrolment by cutting ancillary fees that would typically support on-campus services that will not be available this fall, such as athletic facilities. In addition, there are program fee reductions, which differ by program. Details on reductions will be available by Monday June 15 at <http://myotr.sheridancollege.ca/myfinances.html>.

Health and Safety

Sheridan has further intensified its cleaning protocols and will be monitoring and regulating the on-campus presence of students and faculty, enforcing physical distancing, tracking health status, and providing care kits that include reusable masks. Every person who is required to come on campus will need to complete an online training module about health and safety.

Quality

We're committed to ensuring that learning outcomes will be met, regardless of their mode of delivery. In mid-March, our faculty quickly mobilized to retool curriculum for emergency remote delivery. We're building on those learnings – what worked well, and what didn't – to inform and inspire planning for the fall. We are also creating mentorship programs to help faculty and students make an even more successful transition to remote learning and teaching.

Student Success Programming

We have adapted our services and out-of-classroom programming to provide remote support via phone, chat, video and online. Specifically, we will continue to deliver personal counselling, academic and career advising, information technology, library resources, tutoring, time management tips and more.

Campus Life

Our online campus hub – [Sheridan Central](#) – was built to make it easier for people to connect with one another – including your peers and professors. We will continue to offer opportunities to build friendships through live-streamed activities and virtual gatherings, as published in our weekly virtual events calendar.

All of these details are captured on our [Fall Promise](#) page. Working under the guidance of Ontario's Roadmap to Re-open the Province and the directives of local, provincial and federal public health authorities, we will gradually re-open and bring back the full in-person learning experience over the course of the academic year. In the meantime, you can be assured that you can pursue your educational goals backed by the full support and ingenuity of Sheridan's dedicated faculty and staff.

Sincerely,

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