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Community Meetings

Alfred COVID Coalition Recently, individuals representing a consortium of academic and governmental bodies joined together to develop a screening and testing protocol to provide for the safest possible return of students, faculty and staff to Alfred University and Alfred State College this Fall. The consortium consists of representatives from the County, Town, Village, Fire Company, Alfred State College and Alfred University.

The consortium is planning for two "town hall" events in the coming weeks:
Tuesday May 26, 6pm Local Businesses and Landlords
Tuesday, June 9, 6pm Alfred Community

Alfred business owners, organizational leaders, landlords and community members are invited to two planning sessions. These sessions are an opportunity to voice concerns, share resources and to develop solutions to ensure the safe arrival of students in August. The conversation will be chaired by representatives from both colleges and the Village. Please join the conversation and help develop a mutually beneficial plan to reopen our Village!

Register: Both meetings will be held on Zoom. Members of the community can register email with "Town Hall" and the date you wish to attend in the subject line. info@alfredny.org

The Consortium will also work to broadcast the meetings via Facebook Live. Progress reports will be published regularly.

Submitted by: Caitlin Brown

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Online Delivery Orientation Available

Online Course Delivery Orientation is available to all faculty. This session is intended to provide guidance for standard (non-emergency) online course development and best practices.

The following sessions are available:

Thursday 6/11, 1:30 pm - 3:00pm
Tuesday 6/16, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

If you are available to participate in one of these sessions, please contact Meghanne Freivald to request the meeting link. All faculty are welcome to participate. If you are unavailable during the scheduled times but would like to participate, additional times can be arranged by appointment.

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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ITS Resources Available During Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Review this guide for tools to work remotely, how to forward your phone, online faculty support and teaching plans, find out where software for classes and on-campus resources are available, who to ask for help, communication tools and much more.

- Emergency Online Faculty Support
- Emergency Teaching Plans
- Tools Supported by Information Technology Services
- Software Availability
- Other Tools
- Computer Resources
- Phone
- Who to Ask for Help

Link: [ITS Resources](#)

Submitted by: Judy Linza

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Online Tai Chi Class via Zoom

Join our online Tai Chi Class every Tuesday and Friday, 9:30 am - 10:30 am via Zoom. The Alfred Tai Chi Group's daily practice was suspended temporarily due to the coronavirus. We have now set up a new way for people to exercise together on Zoom!

Specifically, we will be practicing Qigong, 24-form Tai Chi and Taiyi Swimming Dragon under the instruction of a Confucius Institute teacher and videos. No experience is needed, we welcome beginners! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Jialin Fang at fangj@alfred.edu.

Here is the Zoom meeting link and ID below:

Meeting Link: <https://alfredu.zoom.us/j/6250338420>
Meeting ID: 6250338420

Link: <https://alfredu.zoom.us/j/6250338420>

Submitted by: Confucius Institute at Alfred University

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Filing Weekly for Unemployment Reminder

This post is just a reminder that once you have filed for Unemployment you have an obligation to claim weekly benefits for each week that you are unemployed and meet the eligibility requirements. This is also called "certifying for benefits." You are confirming that you were unemployed for all or part of the past week and that you met all other conditions of receiving benefits.

You can claim weekly benefits (certify for benefits) on the Unemployment website. Go to labor.ny.gov/signin. Enter your NY.gov username and password. Click the "Unemployment Services" button on the My Online Services page, and then click "Claim Weekly Benefits" and follow the instructions.

You can also claim weekly benefits by calling the Tel-Service toll-free, automated phone system at 888-581-5812. You will be asked to answer a series of questions, and then you will be asked to confirm that all of your answers are true and correct. When you say yes or press 1 to answer this question, it is the same as signing a document. This is because only you know the PIN you created when filing your claim. Important: Do not give anyone your PIN, not even a family member. Only you can claim weekly benefits.

For the purposes of Unemployment Insurance, a week runs from Monday to Sunday. You must file your claim for the previous week on the last day of that week (Sunday) through the following Saturday. This is called the claim window. Any certification made on a Sunday is for the week ending that day.

For more information, please click the link below to read the Unemployment Insurance Handbook.

Link: [Unemployment Insurance Handbook](#)

Submitted by: Kayleigh Jones

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Years of Service Recognition

The Employee Recognition Committee would like to announce Years of Service dates for the month of June 2020. The Committee will be observing years 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, and 50.

At Alfred University, we realize that our employees are our greatest asset, and we are delighted to honor your dedicated service and commitment to this organization. It is our employees who uphold our principles, demonstrate our vision of working for a better future for our University, deliver on our customer promise and make us the passionate organization we are today.

The success of our organization is a direct result of your efforts and dedication. Your commitment to quality and personal and professional integrity is the differentiating factor that sets us apart from our competition.

On behalf of Alfred University, it is with great pride and admiration that we congratulate you on this service anniversary milestone.

Celebrating 1 Years of Service:

June 4- Kimberly Guyer- Vice President- Student Affairs

June 17- Michael Holley- Boiler Tender/Night Watchman- Maintenance

June 30- Pontus Niklasson- Registrar- Student Service Center

Celebrating 35 Years of Service:

June 17- James Thiebaud- Technical Specialist- NYSCC Educational Tech Service

Submitted by: Kayleigh Jones

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