Facoltà di Medicina e Psicologia



## Dear students,

Needless to deny the fact that we are all in a new, unexpected situation, difficult to manage. So let me start by the end. Everything will be fine. It will be fine because we will do our best. It will be fine because we'll be wrong, but we'll always be ready to correct ourselves. Everything will be fine because knowing that we're all in the same boat, we'll all contribute in to arrive safe to the harbor. It will be fine because we are a community devoted to the promotion of the physical, psychological and social wellbeing. So we'll do what we know how to do and will be more than enough. It's going to be all right because we're going to make it all right.

The purpose of this letter is to testify to the effort that teachers, technicians, administrative employees and librarian are making to provide you to materials that will allow you to continue to study and learn, albeit in a different way than usual. In accordance with Sapienza University, all the Study Programs Directors have asked professors to prepare and publish materials to make available to you. Someone has already started publishing on the Study Programs websites (see below). Others are delivering video lectures through computer platforms with which everyone we're getting acquainted these days. Some professors are extremely well prepared to the use of new technologies. Others, like me, are absolute beginners with these technologies and are giving their best, by trial and error. That's why they are going slow. We're doing our best. Evaluate us, but in the way with which you would like to be evaluated. Please do your part too. Avoid to think to be in a bubble where time is suspended. Time, on the other hand, continues to flow, the teaching period with it and the time for examination will arrive. Scan your study time as if you were in your class, trying to imagine how to get to exam periods having completed the programs. Constantly monitor the website of Sapienza (https://www.uniroma1.it) that of the Faculty (https://web.uniroma1.it/fac medpsico/) and watch carefully the news that are published. You constantly enter the pages of your courses of study (https://corsidilaurea.uniroma1.it/) In the "attending" section of each course you will find the professors' page. That's where you'll find notices and elarning materials. Remember to enter through your Sapienza email addresses, otherwise you won't be able to access many materials.

The learning activities are therefore going to be organized to proceed in e-learning. Degrees also. As long as it has been possible we have held discussions in the presence, always following the rules of prevention proposed by the Ministry and by our University. At the moment this is not possible, but in the next few days we're going to start with some graduation sessions where Commission and Candidates will discuss trough the help of new communication's technology, like MEET. Surely they will be sessions of that we won't easily forget. Obviously we are not going to give up the possibility of celebrating together such an important moment as that of the conclusion of the curriculum. This Faculty, as soon as possible, will organize an opportunity to celebrate the degrees, which should not, however, be interpreted as a discussion (that will have occurred at a distance for all legal purposes), but as a moment of celebration. We all need it.

Sapienza doesn't stop. The Faculty doesn't either. The Presidents of the Courses remain as usual available, albeit at a distance, to clarify your doubts. The secretariats and offices, will continue to perform their functions: all the e-mail addresses remain at your disposal, each office within its competence. Allow me to thank the organs of the University. The Rector, the General Director are constantly working to give us their help and to coordinate any decision. Allow me above all to thank publicly all

colleagues and the staff of the Faculty. Professors are trying to learn and realize new forms of teaching, some of them are doing it while they are engaged in relevant medical activities. Prof. Donatella Cesareni is helping those of us who are less well-prepared how to use elearning. People in smart work are learning to interact at a distance. Thanks to Claudio Napoleoni we made a page on the Faculty website( https://web.uniroma1.it/fac\_medpsico/archivionotizie/teledidattica-ai-tempi-del-covid19 ) at disposal of Students and Professors.

The Deputy Deans, the Department Heads, the delegates for education are constantly acting in their role of coordination. The Course Presidents play the role of fundamental to interface on one side with the teachers on the other side with you students. The Teaching Manager Daniela Roncone and the Head of Coordination Arianna Romagnoli have for now given up smart working in order to organize the work in this first phase. Roberto Di Bernardini is every day in via di Grottarossa for to take care of all aspects of moving the classrooms in the medical area from the Hospital St. Andrew's at the new building using the educational suspension. It will allow students to find more beautiful and well-equipped classrooms on their return. We're not closed, we remain an active and open educational community. United also at a distance, they are Of course.

Everything will be fine, we'll waiting for you in the faculty.

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