

## MEMORANDUM

July 9, 2020

To: UOG Community

From: Anita Borja Enriquez, Senior Vice President and Provost 

Subject: **Course Delivery for Fanuchånan 2020**

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Håfa Adai Tritons,

We are excited to welcome you back to the University of Guam for *Fanuchånan 2020* semester beginning in August. Your safety and well-being and your academic success are our foremost priorities. Our faculty, staff, and administrators have spent the last few months planning for the next semester and closely monitoring the state of our island.

Due to the recent surge of COVID-19 cases on Guam, we have made the decision to offer most courses fully-online for *Fanuchånan 2020*. In certain cases, limited-contact hybrid courses will be available and only when it is absolutely required, face-to-face classes will be offered. For any classes meeting in-person, UOG will be following strict sanitation procedures based on DPHSS guidelines.

You can view the course schedule with the updated course delivery methods and register for classes online through Web Advisor (<https://advisor.uog.edu>).

The University will continue to follow COVID-19 public health protocols and all students and employees on campus must maintain social distancing, must wear a mask, and should wash or sanitize their hands often. Classrooms have been re-arranged with strict social distancing protocols, and instructors may rotate student attendance to facilitate safe learning environments.

### Online Learning

Enrollment caps have been placed on online courses to maximize the personal attention students have with faculty and to ensure the highest quality learning environment we can provide. UOG will continue to support faculty through professional development and training in online course delivery, and students will benefit from more standardized courses through Moodle and technical support from our Office of Information Technology.

UOG has also partnered with Docomo Pacific and GTA on special rates for students, faculty, staff and administrators for high-speed Internet access. For more information on these rates, visit [www.uog.edu/it/home-internet](http://www.uog.edu/it/home-internet).

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**Alternative Grading Option**

The Alternative Grading Option will continue, allowing students to choose a pass/credit/no credit grading system in lieu of traditional grades, limiting impact to their cumulative GPAs. Deadlines for requesting alternate grades will align with voluntary and regular withdraw deadlines. The extra allowance of up to one year to resolve Incomplete grades in coursework will also continue. For more information contact your faculty advisor or your dean's office.

**Tutoring Support**

The University will continue to support students who need assistance with writing and math through virtual tutoring centers.

**The Writing Center**

Virtual tutoring services are available for students. Appointments can be made online at (<https://sites.google.com/view/dealwritingcenter>), and confirmation emails will be sent accordingly. The current option for virtual tutoring is Zoom.

**Virtual Mathematics Tutor Lab**

Virtual math tutoring is available via Zoom appointment in 30-minute or one-hour sessions. Those without an appointment can log into the Math Tutor Zoom Room at the link below to see if a tutor is available. To contact the tutor lab, go to [www.uogmathlab.org](http://www.uogmathlab.org) or email [mathtutorlab@triton.uog.edu](mailto:mathtutorlab@triton.uog.edu).

**UOG Cares Initiative**

In June, the University launched the UOG Cares initiative which aims to provide students with financial relief, strengthened academic support, and a focus on health and safety for our students. We realize that you and your family may have been impacted financially during the pandemic, and we want to help. Students registered for classes in the Fanuchånan 2020 semester will receive a 5% rebate on tuition and discounted fees. For full time students taking 12 credit hours, this will be a **savings of over \$200** combined in tuition and fees next semester. For more information about UOG Cares, please visit [www.uog.edu/uog-cares](http://www.uog.edu/uog-cares).

For more information and other updates visit [www.uog.edu/fanuchanan2020](http://www.uog.edu/fanuchanan2020).

Despite our current circumstances, we know our Tritons will work together to make this next academic year a success. I applaud your commitment to our mission of *Ina, Deskubre, and Setbe*, and together we should look forward to a rewarding academic semester. *Biba UOG!*