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Dear Students of ARTSSCI 1D06 / Calculus,

The university community takes the health and wellness of our members seriously and we are interested in slowing the potential for spread of COVID-19. We are committed to ensuring the successful completion of the current academic term by all of our students. While the University has taken many measures to prepare and keep our community informed as the pandemic has unfolded, the university has made a decision to suspend classes at McMaster.

**McMaster in-person classes and tests for undergraduate and graduate students will end as of Friday 13 March 2020 and no in-person exams will be held at the end of this term.**

The following describes what you can expect for ARTSSCI 1D06 / Calculus between now and the end of the term:

Between now and Tues. 7 April 2020, you can expect the following changes with respect to course instruction for this course:

- Lectures will be provided using ECHO360 software, and students will be encouraged to ask questions to the instructor and/or TAs using the ECHO360 platform.
- Students will be provided online notes and access to prerecorded lectures covering similar material. These will be available through links placed on the course website
- Office hours will be delivered via Webex or other suitable software. Tutorials will be replaced by TA office hours using Webex or other suitable software.

In addition, you can expect the following changes to the assessments used for this course:

- Students will be asked to hand in the remaining two homework assignments electronically. The first (assignment #9) has due date March 16, but this will be extended. The second (assignment #10) will be due on March 30).
- The two remaining quizzes (quiz #9 and #10) will be given as online quizzes using the [Childsmath.ca](http://Childsmath.ca) system.
- There is a math essay due on March 20, and it will be collected electronically.
- The final exam will be given in two parts. The first part will be an online test, entirely multiple choice, given using the [Childsmath.ca](http://Childsmath.ca) system. The second part will be a collection of written problems given as a take-home exam, which the students will be asked to write up and hand in electronically. The final exam will be administered on the originally scheduled date of April 15, and students will be given a window of 24 hours to complete both parts. Appropriate adjustments will be made for SAS accommodations.
- The final mark will be adjusted as follows. The weighting of the final exam will be reduced by 10 points. These 10 points will be distributed to other components, namely 5 points more for Assignments & Quizzes, and 5 points more for the Project (Math Essay). Here is the new breakdown:
  1. Assignments & Quizzes - 25% (previously 20%)
  2. Tests 1 & 2 - 20%

3. Essay Project – 15% (previously 10%)
4. Mid-year exam 20%
5. Final exam 20% (previously 30%)

If you have a need for accommodations, please continue to communicate with Student Accessibility Services and keep me informed.

In the event of significant changes to the COVID-19 situation, further changes may need to be made to this course. Please visit <https://covid19.mcmaster.ca/> for up-to-date university information.

Sincerely,

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