



Dear Clearwater Students,

It goes without saying that 2020 was a memorable year for all of us. Now that a new year is underway, it seems fitting to remind everyone of current campus policies and safety measures. Your flexibility and your commitment to your education and to the healthcare field allows us to continue to follow a blended learning format while adhering to CDC guidelines. Thank you for your dedication and perseverance. UMA's faculty and staff have been grateful to be able to engage with you during live lessons and within the online Courseroom and to support you as you pursue your education and a career as a healthcare professional.

Campus Safety

- We will continue to follow all local and CDC safety precautions. All individuals seeking to enter or tour our campus will continue to be screened for symptoms of COVID-19 using a health questionnaire and temperature scan. All individuals granted access to the campus are required to wear a mask at all times. Social distancing recommendations will be followed at all times with laboratory sessions scheduled for groups of 10 or less students to allow for appropriate social distancing within the laboratory.
- All students will be provided a washable, fabric mask which they will keep and wear as part of their uniform consistent with CDC recommendations. Students completing clinical skills which require close proximity to another individual (e.g., vitals) will be provided additional personal protective gear including medical masks, gloves, and gowns as appropriate.

While the pandemic has certainly changed a lot of things, UMA's commitment to our mission to equip and empower students to excel in healthcare careers remains as strong as ever. We look forward to moving forward together and look forward to seeing you on campus again soon.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to your program director, Fidel Johnson, or to me directly.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rebecca Sarlo, PhD

Campus Director, UMA Clearwater