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To: 0-PCA Faculty (Current); 0-PCA Staff (Paris); 0-PCA Students (Current)
Subject: COVID-19 March 4th update

Dear Members of the PCA Community,
The COVID-19 virus continues to spread across the world and creates much uncertainty and anxiety, especially when your loved ones live far away. PCA's counselors remain available to students and faculty, including for phone consultations, and we encourage you to reach out to them as needed.

We continue to closely monitor any new developments around the disease and any recommendations concerning travel, quarantine, or program suspensions from France, the European Union or the CDC. We strictly follow French governmental guidelines, sometimes erring on the side of caution and requesting stricter adherence than what is legally required. As of today nothing warrants a change to the policies we have put in place: Those who have traveled to zones considered to be at high risk are requested to respect a 14-day quarantine, we have suspended all field trips, and discourage students from traveling and from participating in large public gatherings. Should the governmental guidelines change, we will notify the community.

For now it remains important to maintain clear communication between chairs, faculty and students (check your emails, make sure you have a clear understanding of mid-term assignments) and to continue to practice responsible hygiene habits, especially hand-washing and minimizing touching potentially infected surfaces and then your face. We all bring our hands to our face (face, eyes, nose) more often than we are aware of, and we encourage you to challenge yourselves to become more aware of your gestures.

Sincerely,

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