

Dear Members of the PCA Community,

We have now concluded the academic year 2019/2020, and celebrated the [class of 2020](#) on Saturday. It was an atypical year, with a long transportation strike in Paris, followed by the disruption due to COVID-19, but thanks to our resilient and creative students and faculty we made it through and were able to admire very strong work at the end of the semester.

We have reduced our summer offering, but are looking forward to seeing students return to campus in the fall and are getting ready to implement the new health and security measures required to safely welcome everyone back.

For those of us in France, quarantine measures will progressively be lifted starting today, allowing us to move freely within a 100 km radius. Public transportation will however be limited to those with an authorization at peak hour (6h30 to 9h30 am and 4:00 to 7 pm) and you will be required to wear a mask.

We will be **opening up the campus** from Tuesday May 12th through Friday May 22nd between 1 and 4 pm to allow students, faculty and staff to come and retrieve work. If you are not in Paris and not able to come, do not worry, nothing will be discarded. In order to respect physical distancing and other safety precautions, we ask that you follow these guidelines for coming to campus: (1) wear a mask, (2) sign up using this [google sheet](#) so that we can limit the number of people in the building at any one time, (3) keep a one meter distance between yourself and others, (4) if you have things to throw away please pick up a trash bag from front desk, fill it, and tie it up to minimize exposure for our cleaning staff, (5) wash hands and use sanitizing gel regularly, (6) leave doors propped open, and (7) do not ride the elevator with others.

And, no matter how happy we are to see each other again, refrain from hugging so that we can all avoid going back into quarantine!

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