Dear Incoming and Returning Gonzaga Law Students:

Greetings! I hope that this message finds you safe and well. As many colleges and universities are working to establish new routines for the Fall term, we at Gonzaga University are gearing up for our reopening in August. As referenced in a recent email from President McCulloh to undergraduate students, the University is progressing with our Return to Campus Plan that will result in our buildings reopening and many faculty and staff colleagues returning to campus on August 3rd as we prepare for the Fall semester.

We will be back in the Law School building for student instruction for the Fall term, with the first day of classes starting on Monday, August 24, and face-to-face, in-person instruction ending on November 20, right before the Thanksgiving break, as earlier communicated. Our plan continues to be to offer the majority of our courses in a face-to-face, in-person environment in the Law School, with many upper-level courses being offered remotely or in hybrid format, as indicated in the attached course schedule. For our entering 1Ls, we look forward to welcoming you to campus on August 19th, the first day of Orientation. More information about Orientation will be forthcoming next week.

The purpose of this email is to answer common questions that might be on your mind and provide additional information as we prepare for the Fall semester. To that end, attached please find a FAQs document that provides answers to an array of questions. Additional logistical and safety-related information, specific to the Law School, will be provided to you by members of our administrative team in the coming weeks, before classes begin.

These are, no doubt, challenging and uncertain times for all of us. But the feelings of anxiousness and concern do not diminish the excitement we have for continuing to provide a first-rate legal education to you, our students, at every stage of your time with us.

I thank you for your patience, understanding, and shared excitement for the beginning of the semester on August 24th. We will continue to provide you with additional information in the weeks ahead. Until then, I wish you safety and much happiness in the waning days of summer.

Best regards,

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