

Olin Ahead Coordinating Team (OACT)

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The College's ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic will require significant modifications to our existing work. The OACT has been convened to provide coordination among all of these extensive efforts.

The OACT will facilitate each of the four working group's activities, provide strategic oversight, ensure alignment and information flow among and between these efforts and the ongoing activities of the college. The OACT will work closely with the Olin leadership team to ensure continuity of efforts. The OACT will work closely with Marketing and Communications to maintain sufficient and appropriate communication with the Olin community about the work.

Academic Planning Working Group (APWG)

Mark Somerville (chair), Interim Provost and Dean of Faculty and Professor of Electrical Engineering

Linda Canavan, Associate Dean for Academic Programs, and Registrar

Sam Michalka, Assistant Professor of Computational Neuroscience and Engineering

Joanne Pratt, Associate Dean and Associate Professor of Biological Sciences

Alisha Sarang-Sieminski, Associate Dean and Professor of Engineering

Lynn Andrea Stein, Professor of Computer and Cognitive Science

Jessica Townsend, Interim Academic Vice President for External Engagement and Professor of Mechanical Engineering

The challenges of COVID-19 will require more academic planning and coordination than a typical year: hybrid learning, new curricular experiments, shifted calendars, and other adjustments. This group will oversee the coordination of all credit-bearing activities that take place between August 2020 and the start of the Fall September 2021 term. The committee will have responsibility for overall curricular planning and implementation—consulting and delegating as appropriate—and will shepherd approvals (e.g. by regulatory authorities or by Olin bodies).

Campus Reopening Working Group (CRWG)

Jeremy Goodman (chair), VP for Administrative Services and Innovation

Beth Grampetro, Director of Wellness

Seth Hodge, Associate Dean of Student Affairs

Ellen Bailey, Business Manager

Tom Curley, Aramark Director of Facilities

Brenda Kavarnos, Assistant to the VP for Financial Affairs & CFO and CIO

Kevin Comellas, Executive Chef

This committee is overseeing all aspects of re-opening Olin for all activities on campus. CRWG is responsible for identifying, creating, monitoring, and modifying policies and procedures necessary for implementing appropriate social distancing, testing, PPE, cleaning, and so forth to enable safer resumption of on-campus activities, as well as

developing plans to deal with containment and shutdown should that become necessary.

Community Continuity Working Group (CCWG)

Rae-Anne Butera (chair), Dean of Student Life

Suzanne Alcott, Assistant Director of Post-Graduate Planning for Employer and Student Engagement

Maggie Anderson, Access, Acquisition and Discovery Librarian

Sharon Breitbart, Senior Program Director for External Engagement

Krystal Burgos, Assistant Director for Admission Systems and Operations

Daniela Faas, Assistant Professor of the Practice and Director of Fabrication

Jocelyn Jimenez, Class of 2022

As much as COVID-19 has disrupted our academic program, its impact on our community has been even greater, and the need to remain connected has never been more pressing. Working with existing groups (SLAC, Staff Connections, etc.) this committee will identify and implement programs and activities over the summer and beyond to maintain and build connections across the Olin community. May include explicit subgroups such as first-year onboarding.

Resource Planning Working Group (RPWG)

Patty Gallagher (chair), Vice President for Financial Affairs and Chief Financial Officer

Ellen Bailey, Business Manager

Brenda Kavarnos, Assistant to the VP for Financial Affairs & CFO and CIO

Beth Kramer, VP of Advancement

Susan Mihailidis, Director of Academic Affairs and Sponsored Programs

Bob Murray, Director of Budget and Financial Planning

Jason Woodard, Associate Professor of Engineering and Entrepreneurship, and Associate Dean

The charge of the RPWG is to ensure effective use of space, time, financial resources, and the energy of our community. In coordination with others at the college, the RPWG will shepherd our resource use by monitoring the impact of the crisis on the college facilities, personnel, and finances; educating the community about the college's resources; supporting the development of new resources and opportunities; and identifying potential efficiencies.