

Email from Lamis Jarvinen, CURCA Director – March 17, 2020

Greetings,

As we all work together to navigate this challenging period, I want you to know that CURCA will continue to be here for you and your students. I will continue to provide assistance and resources for helping to manage research and creative activity projects whether classroom-embedded or independent in nature. This includes virtual classroom workshops, tutorials, conference calls, and consulting of projects. Please email me at any time with questions or to schedule a remote meeting or event.

**SSuRF (summer student research) application has been extended to April 15th.**

Please email me with any questions or for help in preparing a proposal. I realize that the disruption of the semester will cause challenges, but I will work with you to make the summer experience happen.

**Silver lining: We plan to host a virtual Spring CURCA celebration!**

I will continue to work with Robin White and our dedicated CURCA committee members to plan this event and we will provide details as soon as they are available. We felt it important to provide students with an opportunity to share their work and to support faculty who may have required presentation at CURC as a required classroom assignment.

Additionally, we plan to host our pre-planned lunch & learn events virtually if possible and our student ambassadors will continue to provide peer mentorship to all WSU students through blogs and zoom meetings. You can even schedule them to conference into your classroom to introduce themselves and to speak about CURCA. We are currently working on details for when and how these events will happen and either Robin or I will be in touch with a schedule of events and details. Stay tuned!

In the meantime, stay well and please contact me or Robin White (rwhite@westfield.ma.edu) with any questions or for assistance.

Best regards,  
Lamis & Robin