



**THE GEORGE
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Columbian College of Arts and Sciences
Department of Organizational Sciences and Communication

Org Sci Majors and Minors,

By now, you have probably heard that GW will be fully online for the Fall. While we all wanted to be back in class with you, teaching, researching, interacting, and advising in person, circumstances led the university to decide that online instruction was safest for everyone. We understand that this decision is disappointing to students and faculty alike.

Given this, the Org Sci faculty wanted to reach out to let you know that we will be working with Columbian College, libraries, technology labs, and each other to prepare the best possible courses and learning experiences for you in the Fall. We are dedicated to supporting you and your educational objectives and want you to know that we will be available to help. Once classes start, OS faculty will be holding regular virtual office hours and will be available at other times as schedules permit. We are also planning more “Coffee and Conversation” sessions with faculty for the semester, to stay connected with you, offer advice, and answer questions – stay tuned for details.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about the Org Sci major/minor, requirements, or declarations, please contact Professor Costanza (dcostanz@gwu.edu). For questions about transfer credits, exceptions, study abroad, or other matters related to Org Sci, please contact Professor Peters (ljpeters50@gwu.edu). You may also contact our Program Director, Professor Olsen (nolsen@gwu.edu) with questions or concerns.

The University and CCAS have sent out messages and FAQs. These should be your sources for information about academic policies, registration, housing, technology, and related matters. You may also contact CCAS Advising (<https://advising.columbian.gwu.edu/undergraduate-advising>) for general advising questions.

On a positive note, we would like to welcome our newest faculty members: Jeff Proulx, Mike Koplovsky, and Mary Lee. Professor Proulx will be teaching graduate courses in the Fall but will be working with undergraduates in the Spring and beyond. Professor Koplovsky will be teaching undergraduate courses in the Fall and Spring and Professor Lee will be teaching graduate courses in the Fall and Spring. Welcome Professors Proulx, Koplovsky, and Lee!

You have probably heard a hundred times or more that these are “unprecedented times.” Well, they are, and as organizational scientists, you are uniquely positioned to understand the challenges and opportunities facing organizations as they navigate the world today. We are confident that your courses this semester and beyond, delivered in whatever format, will help you become better organizational scientists, members, leaders, and changers.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in class soon. Until then, stay safe, stay connected, let us know how you are doing, what your concerns are, and how we can help.

The Org Sci Faculty