**RESCHEDULED**

**4TH ANNUAL DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION SYMPOSIUM**

The 4th Annual Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Symposium has been rescheduled to Thursday, September 17, 2020.

**VIRTUAL SESSIONS WITH OIP ADVISERS**

With the ever evolving landscape related to COVID-19, OIP will have informal virtual advising sessions on Zoom. The aim of these sessions is to allow anyone on a visa to ask any questions or express concerns related to their status. These are open sessions for anyone and you can join and leave at any time during the session.

**Zoom Sessions:**
- Tuesday, April 7 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, April 9 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, April 14 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, April 16 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, April 21 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, April 23 9:30 a.m.

All Tuesday Zoom [https://kumc.zoom.us/j/133177487](https://kumc.zoom.us/j/133177487)

All Thursday Zoom [https://kumc.zoom.us/j/814256720](https://kumc.zoom.us/j/814256720)

**STAY-AT-HOME ORDER**

Kansas Governor Laura Kelly issued a Shelter in Place or Stay-at-Home Order that is in effect from March 30- April 19, 2020. Shelter in Place or Stay-at-Home Order are terms which mean that everyone should STAY HOME except for very essential needs to go out.

Essential needs include shopping for groceries or going to the doctor. You are allowed to go outside to take a walk, but you should do so by yourself or with one other person and should stay 6 feet apart from anyone else. If you have to go shop for groceries or to pick up food at a restaurant you should also keep a 6-foot distance. Just about every other activity should be discontinued. Do not go out in groups and do not congregate in public places even outdoors. However, you are not barred from going outdoors, as long as you follow social distancing rules.

It must be extremely hard being away from your home country during these turbulent times created by the coronavirus pandemic. Some of you may feel more isolated than normal as you have moved to online learning and administrators like the OIP team, have moved to working remotely. Still, we are available now as always for you and your individual needs.

With the move to learning and working at a distance, be assured, your status is secure. We are communicating with the appropriate entities per visa type.

**GREEN LIVING TIPS**

FROM: [https://www.lifehack.org/articles/lifestyle/20-green-tips-that-will-improve-your-health-and-lifestyle.html](https://www.lifehack.org/articles/lifestyle/20-green-tips-that-will-improve-your-health-and-lifestyle.html)

- Switch off appliances when they are not in use
- Unplug your charger when your phone, laptop or tablet is fully charged
- Wash your clothes at low temperatures and use a washing line or drying rack to dry your laundry
- Cover pans when cooking to reduce the amount of energy escaping from uncovered pans
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth
- Use Earth friendly bags (such as paper, of Bags For Life), and recycle any old plastic bags you have

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL DURING COVID-19**

It’s important to note that if you travel internationally at this time, you may not be able to enter certain countries or be allowed entry back into the United States, depending on your destination or travel itinerary. Additionally, you may be subject to a quarantine upon arrival there. You are strongly encouraged to register all of your personal domestic and international travel.

You can register at this link: [http://www.kumc.edu/office-of-international-programs/register-international-travel.html](http://www.kumc.edu/office-of-international-programs/register-international-travel.html)

Besides registering international travel, please plan to have an advising appointment with Irina Aris, iaris@kumc.edu. These must be scheduled in advance of your travel.

**SAVE THE DATE**

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**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2020**

Zoom available