

## Greetings!

The spring 2021 scholarship cycle opens today! Thanks to the HACC Foundation, the College is able to offer many unique scholarship opportunities to support you in reaching your educational goals. Please take advantage of this opportunity for FREE money. The deadline to apply for scholarships for the fall 2021 and spring 2022 semesters is March 26, 2021.

As you have come to expect, following are the commonly asked questions and our responses to them. Please note that some of these responses are tentative and subject to change.

If you have additional questions and you do not see the answers on the website, please submit the online form located on the website. Please see the webpage section called "Information for Students."

We will continue to update you regularly via email and the aforementioned website.

Thank you!

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1. During finals week of the fall 2020 semester, someone in my household tested positive for COVID-19. I contacted my professors and told them that I would not be able to take in-person finals. I received an incomplete for the semester until I was able to come back this spring and make them up. I completed the first one but because this was carried over from the previous semester, the highest grade that I was able to receive was 80%.

I'm taking this pandemic very seriously. I quarantined for a full 14 days and decided not to come to school, but have been punished for this decision. I know 80% is still a passing grade and these two grades will probably not affect me

long term, but this situation is encouraging students to lie about positive test results and symptoms in order to maintain their grades. I'm hesitant to give my name because I do not want my instructors to be upset with me for complaining about this policy. However, this pandemic is more important than that. I feel this is an issue that needs to be discussed.

Students taking an approved make-up exam should not be penalized for having to take it at a later date.

For any questions about your grade in the class that have not been answered by the faculty member, please contact your school dean:

- Dr. Jennifer Baar, School of Business, Technology and Industry, inbaar@hacc.edu
- Ms. Leslie Boon, School of Liberal Arts, <a href="mailto:lmboon@hacc.edu">lmboon@hacc.edu</a>
- Mr. Mike Corradino, School of Science and Math, mccorrad@hacc.edu
- Ms. Dory Uhlman, School of Health Sciences, dsuhlman@hacc.edu

If you are not sure who your dean is, please contact Kathy Doherty, Ph.D., associate provost, at <a href="mailto:ktdohert@hacc.edu">ktdohert@hacc.edu</a>.

2. I was curious as to whether the May 2021 nursing cohort is going to be having their pinning ceremony virtually or in person?

The nurse pinning in May 2021 will be a virtual event. More details will be communicated as we get closer to the date.

3. My professor is saying that it is mandated for us to keep our cameras on during class. I am not comfortable doing so and am wondering what the requirements for that are.

It is **not** mandated that you keep your camera on during class. Faculty may only require that cameras be on for specific learning outcomes tied to course assessments (for example, giving speeches in a communications class). If you have concerns about your professor, please contact the appropriate school dean:

- Dr. Jennifer Baar, School of Business, Technology and Industry, <a href="mailto:inbaar@hacc.edu">inbaar@hacc.edu</a>
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4. What are the criteria to receive a computer through the technology loan program? After I submit the technology request form, will I receive a response

## and update on the status of my request even if I do not qualify?

Information about technology loan program eligibility can be found here: <a href="libguides.hacc.edu/pcloan/about">libguides.hacc.edu/pcloan/about</a>.

Generally, students should be enrolled in six credit hours. However, students with certain critical needs are still encouraged to complete the TechLoan eligibility form.

You will receive a response to your form submission by the following business day.

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