

2021 COVID-19 Virtual Memorial Statement



With a clear understanding of how the Covid-19 global pandemic has impacted the University as an institution, we also acknowledge the many individuals within the Eastern Michigan University community that have been negatively impacted as well.

Today marks the one year anniversary of Michigan's exposure to the virus. I find it imperative that we as a student body not only take time to recognize and reflect on the many hardships brought upon the EMU community by this virus, but also acknowledge the strength and courage of students enrolled that have been relentlessly in hot pursuit of their respective degrees while in the midst of a global pandemic. The intrinsic motivation and desire to become an agent of change is what I believe currently fuels the engine that drives us. Each and everyone of us has been impacted either directly or indirectly by the COVID-19 virus and subsequently suffered great losses. I believe that in order to ensure those losses aren't in vain we have to be intentional in our efforts to stop the spread of the virus.

With that being said, today and everyday moving forward, we must educate and arm ourselves with knowledge that'll contribute to the well-being of us as individuals and as a community. Tonight the University has encouraged the EMU community to engage in an act of remembrance for those we have lost to COVID-19. From 8pm-9pm we are instructed to turn on any light outdoors or participate in a moment of silence. As we continue to progress and move forward, you all here at Eastern Michigan University will remain in our thoughts, hopes, and prayers.



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