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**LEADERSHIP LETTER**

**From the Chancellor**

None of us is as smart as all of us. – Ken Blanchard

Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.--Helen Keller

The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team. --Phil Jackson

"It takes two flints to make a fire." --Louisa May Alcott

These are some of my favorite quotes about working together and becoming an effective team. If you are in the workplace, you may understand how you have to work as a team. But did you ever think about how you are part of a team in your education and learning? You work with your instructor to do the assignments and there are a whole slew of people who are also part of the team. The IT department, the Registrar, the Business Office, you get the picture. We are interconnected and should be thinking about how our responses impact others. What does it mean on a daily basis to be a team player? Obviously depending on your classes, there will be different responses, but it may be as simple as responding to someone's email or text in a timely manner, acknowledging their perspective, or supporting a fellow classmate through encouragement.



Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.--Andrew Carnegie

Together Everyone Achieves More. (TEAM)

### **Register to Vote:**

As members of a diverse University community, we all share in the responsibility of shaping our society. For citizens of the United States age 18 and older, voting is the easiest way to participate in a social dialogue. The deadline if you live in Minnesota to pre-register to vote is October 13. However, after that date you can still vote absentee or register at your polling location on Election Day. If you are from a different state and plan on voting there, please check your state's rules and deadlines.

During these unprecedented times, voting may take a little more planning than it has in the past. However, the state of Minnesota provides you with three reliable options casting your ballot:

- Vote in person on November 3 at your [polling place](#). To vote in person, you must be registered by October 13 at 5:00 p.m. or take advantage of Minnesota's "same day registration" option.
- [Apply to vote absentee by mail](#). Using this method, your ballot must be postmarked by November 3 and arrive at your county election office by November 10.

We hope these different options will make it possible for students to vote without missing class.

Have a great week.

Chancellor Holz-Clause

## CAMPUS UPDATES

### University of Minnesota School of Nursing

During the month of October, the coordinator for the School of Nursing is dedicating every Wednesday from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. to meet with students over Zoom to answer any questions they may have about the nursing profession or the different programs offered by the University of Minnesota School of Nursing. Students can email [Istigen@umn.edu](mailto:Istigen@umn.edu) who will provide the connection link to them.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### SAAC Allows Student-Athletes to Have Their Voices Heard

The Student-Athlete Advisory Council or SAAC, serves as the voice for all of the student-athletes on campuses across the nation. Never has it been more important to have a voice than during the current times with everything going on in the world with COVID-19, racial unrest, and the 2020 election upcoming.



SAAC at Minnesota Crookston has continued meeting throughout the last five months. They have gathered plans together for their initiatives for the 2020-21 school year, and they have met with SAAC groups from across the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) this summer, to let their voices be heard by the NSIC and by the University of Minnesota Crookston.

To read the full story, click [here](#).

## From International Programs

Another enjoyable fall experience besides apple picking in the United States is the corn maze and we were grateful for an unusually warm October evening this year. The students appreciated the opportunity to be outdoors. The first full-size corn maze was believed to be created in Pennsylvania in 1993, and typically US farmers cut down their corn mazes the first week of November. We're glad we were able to bring our students to enjoy this unique activity.



Elina Vlasova from Ukraine shared:

"When I was five, Mom usually bought cassettes with old American movies. Even now I remember a monophonic male translation, which all of them had. And then one day she brought me a cassette about a family in the suburbs. I don't remember the name of the movie, but the image of a cornfield with a maze remained with me forever. Since that time this image has become for me an integral part of American culture. I am very thankful to UMN Crookston that they gave me the opportunity to be the character of that movie film fifteen years later. It was one of the best days I've had as a student here. Especially I liked the part, when we got lost in a long maze."

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Join us in an open dialogue to honor Hispanic Heritage month. We will be discussing historical and recent events stemming from the Mexican-American war.

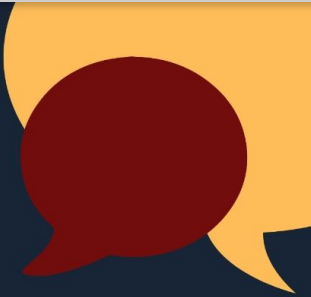
To participate, click on the following link:

<https://umn.zoom.us/j/98901505960>

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## Conversations about Race over coffee

**OCT 15** Hispanic heritage dialogue. We will be discussing historical and recent events stemming from the Mexican- American war.  
When: 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM  
Where: Evergreen Classroom  
Capacity is limited

ZOOM ID: 989 0150 5960

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