



# ALBERTA BIBLE COLLEGE

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Dear ABC Community:

As Alberta Bible College responds to the developing COVID-19 (formerly known as the Novel Coronavirus) health concern, we want to assure you that the college seeks to provide a safe learning environment and is monitoring the situation. To this end, we want to provide you with direction on where to access health information, as well as a reminder regarding health precautions.

For information related to COVID-19 (e.g., how the virus is spread, prevention strategies, symptoms, current number of cases in Alberta, and instructions on what to do if you think you have COVID-19), visit the Alberta Health Services website (<https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Page16944.aspx>).

We'd like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that if you feel unwell, please stay home and call Health Link (8-1-1) as necessary for advice. Absences from class due to sickness or self-isolation/quarantine will be considered an excused absence. These students should contact our academic dean David Ford ([dford@abccampus.ca](mailto:dford@abccampus.ca)) to make arrangements to participate in class via Zoom video conferencing. We also encourage instructors to make PowerPoint files and other relevant class material promptly available on Populi.

When on campus, we remind everyone to practice good respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene behaviours. These include:

- Coughing/sneezing into your elbow or tissue (not your hand)
- Regularly washing your hands well; see hand hygiene tips at <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/info/Page14955.aspx>.

Thank you for your attention to these matters. ABC will provide further communication as appropriate. You can also monitor the World Health Organization's daily reports via their website (<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports/>). Please feel free to contact myself or another staff member should you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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