Dear colleagues,

Coming Monday the new academic year starts. Last week we informed you in a letter on the changes in higher education regarding corona. Now we provide you the additional information. In the attachment you can find the letter sent to our students, the ‘Can I come to campus’ flowchart for students and a FAQ document.

**Vaccination status survey students**

Over the last 1.5 week we conducted a short survey on vaccination status of our current and new students. Almost 6000 students replied and we’re happy to see that most are already fully vaccinated or working on that. Over 88% is now fully vaccinated and many more have their vaccination planned. In a few weeks, we therefore expect that 94% of our students will be fully vaccinated.

**Canteens**

The caterers are open for take-away. There are fewer lunch spots than usual, please take this into consideration. Therefore, we would like to ask our teaching and supporting staff to have their lunch break outside or at their desk, to provide room for students that do not live near the campus.

**Thesis research facilities**

Thesis work conducted in research facilities is possible without 1.5 m distance. Make sure you always follow the rules of the research facilities you work in. Most research facilities are located in non-educational buildings meaning you have to keep 1.5 m distance in the rest of the building. The new capacity of a research facility is set by the business unit manager or chairholder.

**Exams**

We administer all written exams on campus, although an online alternative must be available for students who cannot come to campus due to Corona-related reasons. These students may be offered alternatives such as a remote proctored exam in Ans, an oral exam or another online alternative. We encourage you to prepare the exams in Ans to limit the work to change the exam in an online version.

Kind regards,
If you have any questions regarding any of the topics discussed in this letter, please check the FAQ on the website, the Factsheet Education 2021-2022 on the intranet or reach out to the Programme Director.