Cornell Reopening Committees:

Graduate Student Representatives: Rebecca Harrison (rah288) and Jeff Pea (jtp239)
President established and charged three re-opening committees

1. Committee on Teaching Reactivation Options (CTRO) **

2. Committee on Preparation for Online Teaching (C-POT)

3. Committee on Research and Operations Reactivation (C-ROR) **
Committee on Research and Operations Reactivation

1. Research & Operational Considerations
2. Health Considerations
C-ROR Committee Charge

• The committee should develop a plan for a phased campus re-activation, using metrics that are consistent with federal and state recommendations, and also appropriate for our campus setting.
• The focus should be on operational activities, including research. Recommendations should be made to the president, not later than May 15.

• Specifically for research, must address these questions:
  • How and when do we re-open research activities, taking into account public health criteria as noted above?
  • How do labs and research centers operate in a safe way, e.g., with appropriate public health measures, such as testing and social distancing? How will this be monitored?
  • How do we move quickly to analyze the success of remote working and continue it where it is successful, and what kinds of changes do we need to make to have this continue indefinitely (e.g., any technology issues; establishment of “hoteling” space on campus, etc.)?
  • How and when do we transition back from remote working to in person working, and again, how do we ensure appropriate public health measures?
  • Once we re-open? policies do we need to put into place regarding travel by faculty and staff and/or visits to campus
# C-ROR Committee Membership

## Facilities
- **Rick Burgess**: Vice President Facilities and Campus Services
- **Avery August**: Microbiology and Immunology, Vice Provost Academic Affairs

## Research and Other Academic
- **Emmanuel Giannelis**: Materials Science and Engineering, Vice Provost Research
- **Chris Schaffer**: Biomedical Engineering, Faculty Senate Representative
- **Kathryn Boor**: Food Science, Dean Agriculture and Life Science
- **John Lis**: Molecular Biology and Genetics
- **Barb Knuth**: Natural Resources, Dean of the Graduate School
- **Jeff Pea**: PhD Student, Biomedical and Biological Sciences

## Workforce Re-Entry
- **Mary Opperman**: Vice President Human Resources
- **Lorin Warnick**: Population Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences, Dean of CVM

## Student and Events
- **Pat Wynn**: Assistant Vice President, Student and Campus Life
- **Fred Van Sickle**: Vice President, Alumni Affairs and Development
- **Simon Allen**: Associate Vice President Asset Management

## Cornell Tech
- **Juliet Weissman**: Cornell Tech

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*Working Group on Research & Other Academic Considerations*
### Key Groups & Perspectives on Research & Operations Reactivation

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- ask **Dept. Chairs** to discuss/seek feedback/input from faculty at their meetings
Feedback thus far

• Compliance of social distancing & health guidelines across research spectrum:
  • Wet-lab research
  • Field research
  • Human-based research
• Adequate amount of PPE required for each group / core facility
• Adequate testing & temperature guidelines needed
• Density caps for facilities
• Additional feedback needed from humanities & social science researchers
• Approval process for individual projects
• Safety and privacy concerns
Committee on Teaching and Reactivation Options (C-TRO)

1. Teaching and Social Distancing
2. Health Considerations
C-TRO Committee Charge

• The committee should begin by identifying and formulating recommendations about the criteria to be used in making the determination about how and when to re-activate the campus for teaching (see, for example, the guidelines being developed at state, local, and national levels).

• They should next identify a range of options for re-activating the campus for teaching this fall, e.g.,
  • full re-activation in late August;
  • delaying re-activation by one or two months;
  • phased re-activation with students arriving in waves;
  • re-activation only for a subset of students (e.g., seniors and/or graduate and professional students, with other undergraduates online until the spring);
  • and so on. Note that there are variations within each of these to consider, for example, if we had a delayed start, would we get rid of the winter break and run classes through January? Or are there other academic calendar changes that should be considered (e.g. shortened semester with minimal breaks to avoid/prevent travel
## C-TRO Committee Membership

**Chair - Michael Kotlikoff, Provost**

### Subcommittee on Teaching and Social Distancing

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- **Graduate students** (in collaboration with GPSA)
- **Undergraduate Students** (in collaboration with SA)
- **Residential Communities** (N/W campus; staff considerations)
- **Facilities** (building layout, HVAC, spacing, etc.)
- Ask **Dept. Chairs** to discuss/seek feedback/input from grads
- **Vulnerable populations**
Feedback thus far

- Financial impacts of various alternatives (online only, hybrid, etc.)
- Accommodations for vulnerable populations (faculty, staff, students)
- Opportunities such as teaching about hygiene, viruses, etc. (Cornell had required a course in the past on “Hygiene and Preventative Medicine”)
- Transparent and open and honest communication
- Safety and privacy concerns
- Virtual teaching raises serious equity concerns
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