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Dear ED3 / L+U3 student:

We are delighted to welcome you to the Faculty of Architecture, Landscape + Urbanism program.

We are currently making arrangements for the new academic year and ask you to note that all students are required to register on-line. Access for registration is now possible through your Aurora Account. Please note that the Drawing Workshop as part of EVLU 3006 Studio 3 will start with in-person activities on August 30, 2021. All other classes resume on September 8, 2021.

In alignment with public health advice and expectations on the vaccine rollout, the University of Manitoba is seeking opportunities to safely resume in-person activity in the Fall term 2021. There is also the hopeful outlook to be in a position to declare a full return to face-to-face operations in Winter Term 2022. However, Public Health guidelines associated with the global pandemic, will require the Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) program and its teachers, researchers, and students to be flexible, adapting to changing needs throughout the academic year. For more information and updates I encourage you to check the University’s Coronavirus website.

As of today, we are allowed, in principle, to plan and timetable studio courses or classes with a maximum registration of 20 students to be held in person as our space permits. Large classes will continue with remote delivery and some of them will have face-to-face learning components like field trips within the Winnipeg area. All conditions with respect to safety protocols and prevention measures have to be met. Occupancy levels of studio and other spaces will be restricted as specified by UM standards which currently are set by requirements to maintain a physical distance between individuals of not less than 2 meters and limit occupancy to a maximum of 25 people per space. During the registration period detailed information will appear on the syllabus section of the class schedule and provide you with the course essentials, technological requirements as well as expectations and needs in regards to format of each course you are registering for. It must be understood that these conditions may be subject to modification as UM standards are adjusted through the course of the pandemic situation.

If you have any questions or wish to contact Carrie Johnson, the Undergraduate Student Advisor, please email her at Carrie.Johnson@umanitoba.ca. I will focus on research and creative work most of the summer and look forward to meeting you at the beginning of the fall term.

Yours sincerely,

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