

## Financial Matters related to the closing of the EHL Campus Lausanne

Following questions raised by some students regarding mandatory fees, the Executive Committee of EHL Group has shared the below update of decisions, based on the following considerations:

- 1. **Our number one priority is the safety and wellbeing of all members of the EHL Community.** The extraordinary measures taken to protect from the pandemic have propelled the world into a new digital era which require new ways of life, of teaching and interacting. This situation requires a lot of dedicated efforts and adaptation from all of you and I applaud you for your contributions.
- 2. All efforts are being made to maintain the quality of the education and experience, which has distinguished EHL for the past 125+ years.

The transfer to remote learning under such short notice has required a tremendous amount of flexibility and commitment on your part, as well as for the Faculty and academic teams. As on campus, your active engagement in classes and projects are crucial aspects of the learning journey and I want to thank you for your role in ensuring quality interactions online.

We are also pleased to see the strong participation to online EHL events and discussions, which contribute to your overall student experience.

3. We intend for EHL to endure this storm and maintain its financial health to continue in our mission to provide the best career prospects for students.

Through support to the industry at large and to our community, our values serve as a guiding reference for our actions. Efforts are being made across the board to reduce expenditures wherever it is possible without compromising on quality and members of staff and students have been reaching out in solidarity to support the increased pressures. In addition all members of management have decided to forego 10%, and Executive Committee members 20%, of salaries for 3 months. These common efforts contribute to absorbing additional costs and therefore limit the risk of raising tuition fees, ensuring mutual support through these hardships and that EHL can continue to succeed.

For questions regarding financial matters please contact the Finance Department.

### **Academic Tuition Fees**

The context of Bachelor studies has shifted to remote learning methods this semester, and all courses have been maintained. Assessments/exams will be provided at the end of the semester.

Preparatory Year students will resume online classes starting April 27th, and will pick up again the practical workshops on campus throughout the summer.

Exceptional efforts have been made to ensure that the quality of all courses is maintained and that the content and methodology are adapted to the new circumstances. Across the courses, the number of contact hours remains consistent with the usual curriculum. We will continue to improve these methods based on your feedback, in an effort to ensure that you receive the learning, collaboration, exchanges and skills that are an integral part of the EHL curriculum.

#### Reimbursements for tuition fees are therefore not applicable.

For students that have suspended their studies, the pro-rata amount will be credited to their account for when they resume their studies.

For AP1 students, the pro-rata amount is calculated based on the 4 weeks of program completed before the campus closing (3 on campus and one online) and any additional weeks completed online after classes resumed on April 27th.

The credit amount shall be forfeited if the student does not resume their curriculum.

## **Campus Housing & Parking**

Students residing on campus who were able to do so have returned home during the campus closing.

# Fees related to campus housing at Residence 3 and Neighborwood, as well as parking fees will therefore be reimbursed on a pro-rata basis during the period of campus closing.

The amount will be credited to the concerned students' accounts for when the campus reopens.

For BOSC students in Passugg the same rules apply. Please contact the <u>finance team in Passugg</u> for questions related to housing reimbursements.

BOSC 6 students finishing their studies this semester will receive reimbursement of such fees in September, at the same time as the deposit of guarantee.

#### **Infrastructure & Services Fees**

The extended services available from EHL such as Service Center, Student Affairs, Internship Office, Alumni, IT services, Coaching, Psychological support, industry conferences and events, career services, etc. remain available throughout the closing of the campus site.

These services have remained open and actively dealing with all student requests throughout the closing. **Reimbursements for Infrastructure and services fees are therefore not applicable**.

For students that have suspended their studies, the pro-rata amount will be credited to their account for when they resume their studies. This amount shall be forfeited if the student does not resume their curriculum.

### **Prepaid F&B Costs**

The portion of unused prepaid F&B costs will be credited to students' account for when the campus reopens. The maximum reimbursement will be the amount pro-rated for the campus closing. This amount will contribute towards the fees of next semester, and will be deducted from the invoices for next semester.

This decision applies to all students who have a prepaid F&B account for the spring 2020 semester, and does not apply for AP 2 and BOSC4 students as there is no prepaid F&B credit for the internship semester.

For BOSC students in Passugg the same rules apply. Please contact <u>the finance team in Passugg</u> for questions related to F&B reimbursements.

BOSC 6 students finishing their studies this semester will receive reimbursement of such fees in September, at the same time as the deposit of guarantee.

For students repeating a module, or having suspended or quit their studies, the Student Directives apply, and such students will receive full reimbursement of the unused pre-paid F&B amount.