

Dear Boys and Girls,

Greetings from the Careers Department!!!

We hope you are safe and doing well.

Connecting with you 'virtually' has become a new norm in a matter of days. Please remember that we are more than happy to speak to you over the phone, email, or through Google meet to discuss any query.

In these evolving circumstances, key elements of the college admissions process are changing. It is now that your ability to learn, versatility, foundation to skill, and how systematically you look at solving a problem will be tested. This is the best opportunity to discover the true Dosco within you.

With the help of this bulletin, we would like to share the latest information on

1. **Common App-**

On the 2020-2021 application, Common App will provide students who need it with a dedicated space to elaborate on the impact of the pandemic, both personally and academically. We want to provide colleges with the information they need, with the goal of having students answer COVID-19 questions only once while using the rest of the application as they would have before to share their interests and perspectives beyond COVID-19. Below is the prompt:

Community disruptions such as COVID-19 and natural disasters can have deep and long-lasting impacts. If you need it, this space is yours to describe those impacts. Colleges care about the effects on your health and well-being, safety, family circumstances, future plans, and education, including access to reliable technology and quiet study spaces.

- Do you wish to share anything on this topic? Y/N
- Please use this space to describe how these events have impacted you.

The question will be optional and will appear in the Additional Information section of the application. The response length will be limited to 250 words.

Fee waivers may be available if you are facing unexpected loss. Students who are having difficulty sending official test scores also have the option of sending self-reported scores to colleges. For more info, please visit: <https://www.commonapp.org/blog/COVID-19-question-common-app>

2. **Virtual College Exploration Resources:**

Just because you cannot visit colleges this summer, doesn't mean you cannot learn about what college might be the best fit for you. Students are encouraged to utilize the advantages of technology and have a virtual college visit.

Common App Explore Colleges Profile- gives you all the required statistics and virtual experience of visiting the college.

<https://www.commonapp.org/explore/>

3. SAT

The June 6 SATs have been canceled. Beginning in August, the SAT will be given every month through the end of the year: Aug. 29, Sept. 26, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5. Students can begin registering in May.

4. **No change in Application Deadlines:** While talking to many university officials, we understand that as of now, there are no changes in the application deadline for Fall 2021. Therefore students are encouraged to plan their applications and utilize the upcoming summer break for writing major university essays and personal statement.
5. **Mentor led Virtual Internship Program** – In Association with our Doon School Alumni Relations Office, the Careers department is keen to know in absence of a practical internship, are students interested to participate in a mentor-led internship program. Here the mentor would be an industry expert, who would spend 30-45 mins per week(may vary) with the student explaining the various aspects of the industry and will also give a suitable platform, to learn about the industry and gain more information through online research, further guidance by department officials and other members of the organization. The duration of this program maybe 2-3 weeks. Based on the completion of your assignments and responsibilities, the industry will offer you an internship completion certificate of the total duration which can be very instrumental in shaping your application process. Interested students are encouraged to write to us on Careercounselling@doonschool.com and confirm their interest. Based on the total number of requests we'll proceed further and get back to you. You may define the area of interest in your reply.
6. **Start a Passion Project:** Anything that you are passionate about, streamline it with your interest, area of application, and work in a dedicated manner. To know more click here <https://mindofmica.com/passion-project-ideas/>