

Dear members of the FSPAC community,

I hope this message finds you healthy and rested.

During the past months, together with experts and colleagues from the Department of Public Health, with the management team, the teachers' council and student representatives, we sought solutions that would allow us to organize in-person the first semester of the following academic year, our main concern being the health of our teachers and students.

But the epidemiological context and the dynamics of the legislation in force have prevented us from finalizing a plan that prioritizes the health safety of all participants to the educational process and at the same time to allow us to organize our courses and seminars at the faculty.

Unfortunately, the situation generated by COVID19 pandemic at a local, regional and national level continued to worsen, which has also considerably reduced the possibility of accommodation of students in the UBB dormitories. Therefore, after taking all factors into consideration, today we are forced to announce that the first semester of the academic year 2020-2021 will be organized exclusively online.

Our efforts focused on organizing the courses and seminars in-person for all the enrolled students. Ensuring everyone's health was essential in the decision taken. As this is no longer possible, I assure you that from now on our attention will be directed towards the quality of the online interaction between the student, the teacher and the administrative staff. And we will continue to make efforts in the hope of a second semester with a physical presence of all students at the faculty.

In October we will have a series of consultations with all members of the community to establish a program for a series of onsite, extracurricular activities, in compliance with all health safety procedures, at each departments level. We will announce a timetable for these consultations soon.

The FSPAC community is young and united. I have full confidence in everyone that this online semester will make us stronger.

Regards, Călin Hințea Dean, FSPAC.

