

Dear Sargent College Class of 2020,

We are having a difficult time writing this letter because the celebrations that traditionally occur during this time which are so meaningful after all the hard work you've done, are being postponed until a future date. We are disappointed and sad for all of you and yet, ultimately, as Carol Burnett, the famous comedian and actress said, "I'm so glad we had this time together."

Postponement cannot diminish what you have already achieved and we'd like you to take a couple of moments to reflect on that. Over the years we have had the pleasure of working with many of you and there are certain traits we have observed that are common to all of you. You are resilient. You are resourceful. You are extremely intelligent. You are intentional. You are reliable. You are compassionate. You are service-oriented and you deeply care about what you do and the quality of relationships you foster. And no matter whether you celebrate today or three months from now, the experiences you have sought out to put those qualities into practice form the foundation you walk on and the inspiration you live by. Sargent College will remain an integral part of who you are and for all of this, we are so proud we've had the opportunity to meet you and to play a small role in helping you reach your potential thus far.

We still are in the midst of an unprecedented global situation that is going to take time to understand and treat. This will most likely affect your future plans for some time to come but as David Kobasa, one of our active alumni said, "if you graduate from Sargent College and Boston University, you are the *cream of the crop*" and when you have the opportunity to take your next professional step, you will recognize that as you move forward.

Congratulations, check out the [senior page](#) on the Sargent College website and we look forward to seeing many of you during your graduation ceremony and welcoming you as active alumni. Also, the long standing tradition of scattering the rose petals as you go in your different directions will occur during the day before or after your live graduation ceremony and faculty and family will be invited to join you. Thank you for your contributions to our community and thank you for simply being you!

Fond wishes from the Sargent College Academic Services Center (ASC) staff,

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