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Dear First Year Chiropody Student,

We are excited to have you join our program, during an extraordinary time. The next three years will likely be one of the most enjoyable and busiest times of your life. You will have access via *SelfService Student Portal* to your timetable shortly so that you can begin to plan your academic life with your personal life. You have entered into this educational program during a time of uncertainty, but an important time to have a positive impact on the future of health care.

The first virtual event is your Welcome and Orientation to Michener. The main events occur from September 2 – September 4 2020, and will include a mandatory program specific orientation on September 3. During this session, you will learn important information regarding program delivery, expectations, and the requirements necessary to help ensure your success, while keeping you safe.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, delivery of all courses will be online both synchronous and asynchronously, depending on the Professor. A two week onsite compressed lab has been planned for November. Students are encouraged to avoid scheduling vacations, weddings or other social activities during the academic year. Should you choose to miss any academic activities, it is your responsibility to ensure that you follow up on the material to ensure that you have a thorough understanding of the material delivered. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the information, it's your responsibility to follow up with the Lead Professor of the course.

Clinical instrumentation is undergoing a new process, and more information will be forthcoming. To augment your learning instruments will be available for purchase prior to commencing the Podiatric Medicine II Course in January 2021. You will learn more of this during the first week. You can expect the cost of a set of instruments/supplies, to range from \$600.00 - \$900.00. These instruments will be the first assets you accumulate for your future practice and if well cared for, you can expect them to last for several years.

In addition to the instruments referred above, you are required to purchase a specific anatomical foot model at a cost of approximately \$100.00. Information on purchasing the foot pathological lesions designed for simulation will also be introduced by the faculty and sold for \$15.00 per set. Also, a surgical suture simulation kit at 53.00 will be offered. Again, the program has arranged bulk purchasing of these items, and more details will follow.

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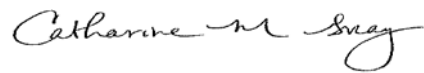
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We look forward to meeting you at the virtual orientation, and an exciting three years of learning lies ahead.

If you have any additional, questions please don't hesitate to contact me. In the meantime, relax, rest up, stay safe, and enjoy the rest of the summer.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catharine M. Gray".

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