November 3, 2017

Dear Students, Faculty, and Staff,

This is an exciting time to be at Pace as the construction to revitalize One Pace Plaza and 41 Park Row on the New York City Campus is well underway. In One Pace Plaza, the first floor (West) renovation will create new student event and study spaces, a new Spirit store, and Welcome Center with an open staircase to the B level with direct access to the Courtyard from the 1st floor. The lower level (West) renovation will re-imagine our entrance from Spruce Street into the Courtyard, creating a new entrance for Lubin along with a new student lounge space and learning lab. A new Admissions Center will be created to enhance the experience for prospective students and parents. 41 Park Row will house a new art gallery, modernized student commons, and a new Dyson advising suite, as well as faculty colloquia and student study areas.

The structural steel deliveries to the construction site have begun, and we will begin erecting the steel framing for the interconnecting staircase at One Pace Plaza. Regular construction hours will continue to take place from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. During this period, there will be some noise and there may be vibration from the work. From time to time, the noise may be loud from the setting of the large steel members. Welding of the steel components will also be taking place after the delivery, and may produce a burning smell.

Concurrently, the Facilities and Capital Projects Department will be replacing an old generator on the east side roof of One Pace Plaza this Sunday, November 5, from 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. New building code in NYC requires that new generators are placed high above ground level. A crane will be delivered to campus in front of the Courtyard for the new installation to occur. The NYC Department of Transportation has authorized closure of Spruce Street during this time in order for the work to occur. Pedestrian traffic will be directed by several flag men on the ground. Due to building code regulations, there will be no access to the 2nd and 3rd floors in the East building during the work. The 9 Spruce Street entrance will remain closed on Sunday and ADA access will be available upon request by calling Security at (212) 346-1800.

The Facilities and Capital Projects and Security departments will continue to work diligently to minimize disruption and maintain normal campus operations while all construction projects are underway. We are working closely with Sciame Construction Management, our construction management firm for the master plan project, and other contractors on campus to coordinate the project logistics, and all construction activities.

The safety of the entire Pace Community is our paramount concern, so please follow posted signage around campus to direct you through the building and to building emergency exits. Construction updates will be made available at www.pace.edu/nyc-master-plan.

Please be assured that we will do our best to provide a safe environment during construction. Please contact Aisha Moyla at amoyla@pace.edu with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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