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DR. EDGARDO E. TULIN

President

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Thru: **Dr. Beatriz S. Belonias**

VP for Academic Affairs

Dear Dr. Tulin,

Greetings!

Based on our meeting last Monday (January 10, 2022) with Dr. Kim Aure, only the Graduate student and Third Year and Fourth Year undergraduate students will be allowed to enter the University to attend the limited face- to- face classes. Relative to this, I would like to request that our 2nd Year BSFT students will be allowed to attend face- to- face classes as well due to the following reasons to wit:

1. Resultant to the changes of BSFT Curriculum effective November 2019 (CMO 07, s. 2019), a number of our program's major courses are already offered during the second semester on the second year. These courses that have laboratory classes (Food Microbiology, Food Chemistry, Sensory Evaluation and Food Processing) are very important in preparing the students for more complex concepts as they are pre-requisites of other major courses in the higher levels. The skills that the students will gain from the hands-on activities are vital to prepare the students for the industry and related field of work;
2. The BS Food Technology has already a licensure examination, which means that actual hands-on experience through laboratory activities plays a very important role in preparing our students for this future endeavor;
3. Our 4th year BSFT students do not have subjects anymore with laboratory classes except for Thesis; hence, the concern on the limited number of students present in the vicinity on designated class schedules will not be violated. Moreover, the department is strictly implementing the policy that students will not be allowed to conduct thesis without approved outline.

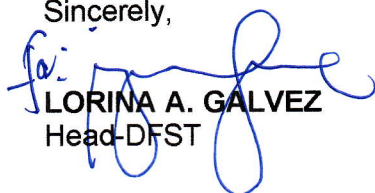
I would like to request further that the first batch will be the Second Year students and second batch will be the Third Year and Fourth Year students. The Fourth Year students will be scheduled by batch all throughout the semester once their thesis outline is approved.

Attached herewith is the proposed schedule of courses for the second semester AY 2021-2022 and the new BSFT curriculum.

I am looking forward to a positive response on this request.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,


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Head-DFST