

Invitation for Student Town Hall Forum with President Erickson

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The past few weeks have been difficult for everyone in the Penn State community. We feel great pain for the victims, and mixed emotions about the multitude of other issues that have impacted our University in ways unimaginable just months ago.

We all have questions about President Erickson's Five Promises and what the coming months will be like for this great University. President Erickson is committed to making this healing process a community effort. As the University moves forward, there is a critical need for the student body and administration to have a dialogue about our plan for the future.

It is with this in mind that President Erickson and we, the student presidents of The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments (CCSG), The Graduate Student Association (GSA), and The University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA), are pleased to announce the first-ever Penn State Student Town Hall Forum.

On Wednesday, November 30, at 6:00 p.m., President Erickson and seven of Penn State's highest-ranking administrators will join moderators Sam Richards and Laurie Mulvey in a discussion with an exclusively-student audience. During the two-hour conversation, students from both the in-person audience at Heritage Hall and remote viewing locations across the Commonwealth will be able to ask questions directly to University decision-makers and maintain President Erickson's promise of a transparent Penn State.

Tickets will be available at the HUB Information Desk starting Monday at 11:00 a.m. Please bring your Penn State id+ Card, as status as an active student will be required for ticket-holders. There will also be overflow seating available in Alumni Hall.

Students at Commonwealth Campuses should watch their email inbox for information about on-campus viewing parties, from which students will be able to submit questions remotely through their Student Government President.

The Student Town Hall Forum will also be viewable live through UStream and on the Pennsylvania Cable Network.

We sincerely hope that you all will participate in this event. Remember, even though times are hard, **#WEstillARE**.

Sincerely,

Peter Khoury, President, Council of Commonwealth Student Governments
Jon Lozano, President, Graduate Student Association
TJ Bard, President, University Park Undergraduate Association

Moderators

Sam Richards and Laurie Mulvey of the World in Conversation Project

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