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Colleagues:

A few updates for this week.

- The [Undergraduate Library](#) and the [Grainger Engineering Library Information Center](#) will both be closed the Sunday after Thanksgiving Break (November 29). The Main/UGL Hub, however, will be on chat, email, etc. that Sunday from 1:00pm - 10:00pm.
- An orange COVID-19 tab has been added to the [Library's homepage](#). As you can see, the content of the [COVID-19 Response page](#) is front and center to visitors to our site now. Many thanks to the Web Working Group (especially John Laskowski, Helen Zhou, and Victor Riveros) for making these changes so quickly. In addition, information has been updated and restructured on the Response page in a format that should be very easy for people to access and use. Please let us know if you have any suggestions or feedback.
- An NIH COVID-19 viral dynamics study is quickly being assembled with UIUC as the project lead. Personnel are needed to provide short-term help for this initiative.

From Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation Susan Martinis:

We urgently need staffing assistance, and would welcome your help in identifying personnel who could be available for project management, scheduling, and subject recruitment, some of whose time could be bought out over the next 10 weeks to assist with this short-term clinical study.

This study will involve (1) identifying study subjects who have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus, OR who are in quarantine as an identified close contact of a positive case, and (2) conducting repeated testing of these subjects over 2-3 weeks to study the development of the virus.

If you are interested in participating in this major, multi-institutional research effort, please reach out to discuss this with (and get approval from) your supervisor and then let [Chris Prom](#) and [Skye Arseneau](#) know of your interest. We will then pass your name along to the person assembling this team.

Best,

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