



# LOOKING BACK

## Milestones of the COVID-19 Pandemic

### 2020

MARCH



- AUC Sint Maarten and UK Track MD Program medical sciences education changes to virtual
- Clinical sciences activities involving direct patient care are paused
- The United Kingdom announces a lockdown
- AUC alumni serve on the front lines of the pandemic treating COVID-19 patients



APRIL

- Sint Maarten declares a State of Emergency
- AUC launches first four-week online elective for clinical sciences students
- Clinical students and faculty members help support the local healthcare workforce by working with the Sint Maarten government to remotely monitor individuals who have been exposed to or are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19
- AUC COVID Volunteers student organization launches to help support healthcare professionals in the fight against COVID-19
- AUC students join medical students across the US in volunteering through COVIDSitters groups to help care for healthcare providers' families as they serve at the frontlines of the pandemic
- AUC joins other Adtalem Global Education affiliate institutions in launching the CareforCaregivers.com wall of gratitude and frontline support site for healthcare workers

MAY



- First semester to be delivered entirely virtually for medical sciences students
- Return to Campus Taskforce established
- The Class of 2021 officially joins the physician workforce and celebrates during a Virtual Commencement Ceremony

JUNE

- AUC begins gradual Sint Maarten campus reopening with new safety protocols in place
- The Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG) releases new pathways to certification for the 2021 National Resident Matching Program® (NRMP®) Main Residency Match®
- Select clinical rotations resume in person
- First Virtual White Coat Ceremony and Celebration of Academic Excellence ceremonies take place for Sint Maarten and UK Track students

JULY

- AUC announces tuition freeze for the 2020-2021 academic year

AUGUST

- First-ever Virtual Community Action Day goes live with health education videos on Facebook®

SEPTEMBER

- AUC celebrates the one-year anniversary of the UK Track launch with the inaugural semester of students
- AUC begins notifications of COVID-19 positive cases reported among the campus community to keep students and colleagues informed



OCTOBER

- AUC kicks off Town Hall series to provide ongoing updates on plans to return medical sciences students to Sint Maarten and Preston for the January 2021 semester

DECEMBER

- With the approval of the US coronavirus relief package, AUC announces distance learning option for the Sint Maarten medical sciences program for the January 2021 semester, as well as extended remote learning opportunities for UK Track students

### 2021

JANUARY



- Medical sciences students begin phased return to campus and in-person learning
- AUC begins Sint Maarten COVID-19 Surveillance Testing Program; the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan) has COVID-19 testing available to AUC UK Track students

FEBRUARY

- In-person learning resumes for additional cohorts in the AUC UK Track

MARCH

- AUC students begin helping with the COVID-19 vaccination rollout in Sint Maarten and Preston

