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Message from Executive Director

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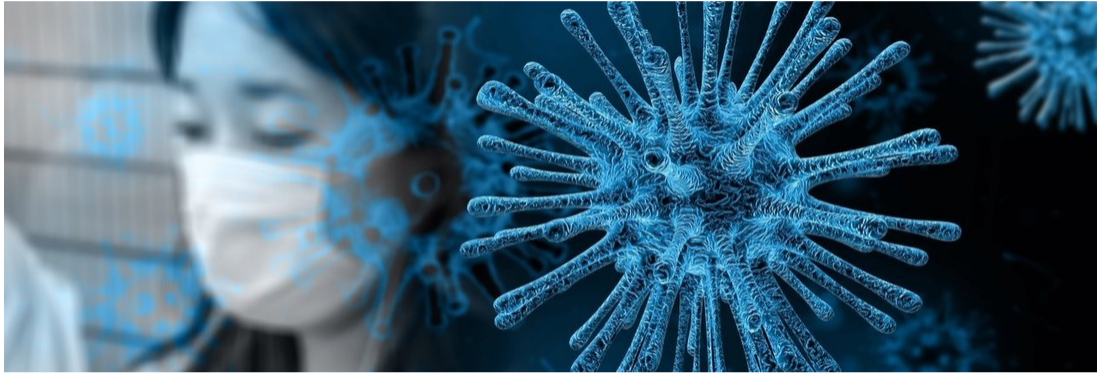
During this challenging time, the University of Chicago Yuen Campus team will help you stay connected. The team is actively curating the latest UChicago and Chicago Booth content on a broad range of topics. We are committed to sharing the University of Chicago's leadership on such diverse subjects as science and health, economics and innovation, career development and parenting.

Please share this content with friends and family and invite them to [join our mailing list](#). Watch your email in the coming weeks for other stimulating content from the University of Chicago.

With regards,

Mark Barnekow
Executive Director

Updates on Coronavirus



Public health officials are continuing to learn more about the Wuhan novel coronavirus, now known as COVID-19, which so far has sickened over 75,000 people from nearly 30 countries. **Dr. Emily Landon, Associate Professor of Medicine and Executive Medical Director, Infection Prevention and Control**, has been following the situation. Check out the [Coronavirus Q&A](#) and learn about Dr. Landon's perspective on what we know so far about the virus, which was previously called 2019-nCoV.

For the frequent travelers, have a read on the findings of **Katelyn Gostic, an epidemiologist and postdoctoral researcher in Department of Ecology & Evolution at UChicago** on [Can airport screenings prevent the spread of Wuhan coronavirus?](#)



Big Brains Podcast - How Talk Builds Babies' Brains with Dana Suskind



When **Dana Suskind, Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics at the University of Chicago Medical Center** first began implanting devices called cochlear implants on babies who couldn't hear, she observed that many of her patients struggled to develop language because their parents didn't talk to them as much. It was a revelation that inspired her to found the Thirty Million Words Initiative, which aims to narrow that achievement gap. The program has since led to a best-selling book and most recently, a community partnership that will test these innovative ideas on a national scale. On this episode of Big Brains, Professor Suskind discussed her transformation from surgeon to social scientist, how auditing a UChicago class shaped her work, and simple advice for parents and caregivers to teach kids from day one.

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Economic Outlook 2020: Big Tech, Trade, and the Future of the Economy



Booth's Economic Outlook on "Big Tech, Trade, and the Future of the Economy" took place in Hong Kong on January 15, 2020. **Booth professors Randall S. Kroszner and Brent Neiman** joined **Richard Wong of the University of Hong Kong** and moderator Angie Lau, editor-in-chief, CEO, and founder of Forkast.News, to discuss the state of the global economy and gain insights for the year ahead.

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