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View the [Our Path Forward page](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglLUCDA9_aXJN86u8qIYP0wKIFBpM4Kn825S_755EQJgEmB54kllPKtnqykU0CIRKqJyxSZ-uRpw_qh2faySucQOBVzbq2s16NslGTSNLtQ82WrMxtPpuOWSCB1qfV7cqzFQE4OBPOuz8wvcOUGLtkN1/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h1/SzwjSkl943jjFiLneMAf7eT3bej7FMO8wmF4RQFUez4) on our website to learn more about campus reopening plans. You can also view the latest information regarding COVID vaccinations for students on the [harvard.edu website](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/gsby7xed_Q9kJKoUKuDGdCH3qe7Cm69vC-8UC7jfuzMlukhWuVI-3rmAUnOi93Jy1TySIaiRNoRgAl8WZI7Vf8nQ8abPXQEuCePlVZgw5sJva8FrJiVhOiH1io4l4QAr2o6nwdt51cgbLIHcwppTdu2MHs-0ZbIAzwa4g4E4NciliSfbuYHESgJPvzoty09VToHvcDuZ4bGXGN5NNZ2W8Q/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h2/Cg-40nCWfwB6MOafM2G1si3lyY9KIm-zHiRA758AR9w).  While Harvard remains closed to visitors, our [website](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglJ212bcs7UjGjXPLK3jWo17MfWb0i38-yWLrht_0v0WYPuM4yIeYwFBT2oF0kn3aPJB7vsBqdpgK5wW2N9U2U8l7UtwpQUcffbE1bjFkUyiqJBwrjJcUQcwjT6NQNA6zUSkKhXYXmz5X08WG0ZkCtmz/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h3/34v8Yqg8FaXKiqwFcaT6zBxbL_jSfVq6gDtG6czwt00) offers many digital resources to help students and their families get to know the College. Admissions officers will hold [online information sessions](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/VpDhrCrvzjOrNk6AZ3TbHuyoInyP6upUWkHvfim0rU4cU73GE1qPRTx4E1k9c-9duaE2WZhkXia3K2_cHVVXGvYHXpZYLwudZRzusKwz3JqnkSo1eX5xY20DCkxvFmV_sXL_kU-CaJ9cQQziKYRub08Ok61PDST1J46F2XDozH2iSHvHJYjYr76fF3LQ7WfG81Jgwwnba6rcm3a9v7enZg/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h4/-SFMa4lg_APhfgH-lPlydkMNiS5mYFG4Q3XiH_OfWRU) throughout the summer and fall. Our [virtual tour](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglJ212bcs7UjGjXPLK3jWo17cInVxPN92gSyUpNSIObooMGtYFLv1vuRCpegCdX0HOMVSX6fwTaILAac4WH5rPMbM4ddTMHrbpOBToEyU0sZj0dOnl52ysxZczPsRrH3AXKZXtbQEHON11qqUgDymfbouGoDadWZ4SUrQ5058-3nOw/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h5/rerBYn1wAqgdVj6A-d7Kc1XrjXazsKB_X4n3vhOfIj4) is available to help prospective students become acquainted with campus. [Student stories](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglIF-LSBOL4vn-lHLHk63O3kOXyB69ev0Z4VYIN2JHjSeL6GIyXljdwy5-XMKHad5wjePVEQ0CKoquVJkpAegfajhO7_OypIxlLh41knAvu7Ukda17REmaBazK56U4fx2GivFqVsR7TukNfATLXNhwAhvb8oJPSz4PK5-AhObzNFEw/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h6/02lqzfrCATtO446CjFQPonbcIkSEkMWLpnCO64NWYXc) illuminate many aspects of the undergraduate experience. And our social media channels provide yet another window into life at Harvard.  In the coming year, we plan to continue [our policy allowing students to apply to Harvard College without standardized test scores](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglLu21-t04qF9-lFtmLqK38qYZ3jXiNudGUNTINveJeZ77EBVB5DGXfY3H6MAnFswt8zKoi1ov3EsgYnuypUaJSrv9aMAAItoKtci7bHVHDXFpL3gshY35Sg_P7bctgQTTNtslA1cWeU4e1INT23wW9J2pMsLI-jdzwDxKzgOmf4orFUQkJgT8yC0CBVgGq69ZoMbgZQfGzV1L1-OVQ6sx71/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h7/rz7pW9hltxeA0p3XD1dBVvLZ1uwtStseEm8bessQS04). While students who have scores may send them if they would like, those who do not will be at no disadvantage in our process.  Finally, our commitment to [financial aid](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglKC75oa187w04LWL-2Ygfptnsqq0rLKxwHppm1A7waH34o0eoBlOHtPuonDc5kaxAS812HkzwUIbS2JIcdsrT3GcvRjUvMd-gNbXMWuv0RVw5ZSRMaP-F_E6bVQ2iapWv2pQvhJ1Qmt2LoburoVgHpR/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h8/n1azD26Bxy5OLfAAeSGI0_Co-qMfbYqPVZTRVzXrDtM) is unwavering. As always, we meet the full financial need of all Harvard undergraduates without requiring loans. We have no limit to the number of students we can support with financial aid, and applying for aid does not adversely affect an applicant’s chance of admission.  Thank you again for your tireless work in this difficult year. We wish you a restful summer, and look forward to continuing our work together.  Please review our [Spring 2020 Counselor Newsletter here](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglID4WT80c3a5V2C5FsQubG5Pz8ZNWhBIaME37beFTSr6tzN5Eu3WJZOS6XXc56drioqx2Id2KKmojDvPpfK0NUG7gFyJPMwsaDrxrqFEfnJ4TOKlg2JMMBYDRVdlHMsoATCA4kzaQ8PQrqnpxjWuz0hM1XjiYKjLJmvJ1Yk-8AxlIywHYQi38d9Bl_jXpz05SfkoN5DHUCJNa5utW9iVmyC/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h9/cD8y_mCzdDYGgxJDKYiMeRc_oiKF5NkXM9iNJW079DE) (PDF) and find more [counselor-specific information on our website](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/BQM-IylQKwVhFDmSUz94JF41fQSX8ZbU42Yf5SUXglKf5OEXN-h83-7gvmcjKHbTnEWr62NjLJqFPqVDZg47cQfe0vvBOkfgfhPRsP9Q51yat-Y4iSSTpvyDzZi5MilR_bNsqLDDaKj2_b05ZB14duuH1EfTSqjDG8D245zZSRN8tdNYebrA02im9GAHW7Un/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h10/49l4S5uNj4Po1pbspN1VTt4ctnHhgtYeiiUaR-6stTw).  We also invite you to join us for one of four counselor programs that we are co-hosting through [Exploring College Options](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/gsby7xed_Q9kJKoUKuDGdDQd5GZ8eBiiqrFA6txX7ruPooqKFYDlfEaX2N54O5x7c5txmCBk2guh8PC1jZecx3Rxl54sDZD9-boLzBBzq1KPbMqhBpUmraIXEP9Gd98yi5BdmA7wv9-kgI3q0XJn25d0y4_XJpfemqYl7yuiOFHDFkC0Zu6f7vfs5eu7uZ8f/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h11/y1f-4o8Ek60umx4dzqm6orFU062PYBwjO0y85V-v9Dg) with Duke, Georgetown, University of Pennsylvania, and Stanford. Those online events will occur Tuesday May 18th, Wednesday, May 19th, Tuesday May 25th, and Wednesday May 26th - all at noon EDT. [Please register in advance](https://mx.technolutions.net/ss/c/gsby7xed_Q9kJKoUKuDGdDQd5GZ8eBiiqrFA6txX7ruPooqKFYDlfEaX2N54O5x7c5txmCBk2guh8PC1jZecx3Rxl54sDZD9-boLzBBzq1KPbMqhBpUmraIXEP9Gd98yi5BdmA7wv9-kgI3q0XJn25d0y4_XJpfemqYl7yuiOFHDFkC0Zu6f7vfs5eu7uZ8f/3bs/Si8oxGwvQZ6krg71Hb4lKw/h12/k-47xc8tqTRoV2zg-UbqLNFtz72wvQygamK9P5hEEro).  Sincerely,  William R. Fitzsimmons Dean of Admissions & Financial Aid | |  | | |