



EDITORIAL

Life in the Time of COVID

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In the novel “Love in the Time of Cholera”, the Nobel Prize-winning author, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, tells us about the love story between Florentino Ariza and Fermina Daza. We learn that love is shaped by the cholera epidemic at that time in Colombia. In a similar fashion, our life today is now shaped by the COVID-19 pandemic—transforming every aspect of our social, scientific, and economic interactions.

Considering the above, we are opening a new series of Perspectives called “Life in the Time of COVID.” We invite submission of manuscripts with the objective to provide a forum for members of the University, as well as the global community, to express the areas of their lives that have been affected by this pandemic. We want to learn of the changes that are occurring—good

or bad—and the author’s perspective about the future. We want to be prepared for the future challenges and opportunities that life in the time of COVID can bring us.

The future is not yet determined. Through the sharing of our collective perspectives, we can take the steps to shape our future together. We begin this journey today with the first two Perspectives entitled “Emergency Medicine in the Time of COVID” and “Health-care Workers in the Time of COVID.”

I hope you enjoy the reading.

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