

Addendum to the March 11 message from Florian Becker, Managing Director, Bard College Berlin
Sent on March 12, 2020

Dear students,

In the light of last night's policy shift by the US administration I would like to reiterate to you that you are welcome to stay at Bard College Berlin. The college remains in operation while courses will take place online as mandated. We will continue to provide any and all campus services and help we can; currently, there are no restrictions.

We know that for many of you, this college is your home. Legally speaking, this is true of all on-campus students, so the authorities will not and cannot require you to leave your apartments or the city. You are allowed to leave campus but you are *not* required to do so, nor is there currently reason to believe that you will be less safe here than in other places in Berlin or elsewhere. We will work with you to keep it that way. Off-campus students, too, remain entitled to use college facilities such as the library.

I would also like to clarify that, if you do decide to leave, the college will *not* require you to return to campus at any point this semester. While the legal directive is currently only in effect until April 20 (but will likely be extended) we will provide full online instruction until the end of the semester. Provided that you participate as mandated by college rules and your professors' instructions you will receive full credit for all courses taken.