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Remote learning

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Your experience during COVID-19: I work with EWU MSW students in Vancouver, Washington and we have just marked our 13th month not seeing each other in person. It has been difficult - one of the joys of my work is connecting, in person, with students and faculty. I am working remotely, the students are learning remotely, and the professors are teaching remotely. Our students will graduate with their MSW in June, 2021, and they will have completed 1/3 of their education during a pandemic. I am consistently impressed by the resilience, creativity and tenacity of these students. It has been a difficult road to have the last year of their program, the most advanced year, without benefit of face-to-face interactions with faculty. These students have persevered and will enter the workforce with a good understanding (both personal and professional) of the challenges a public health crisis, like Covid, presents.