

July 8, 2020

- *The August 2020 semester will begin under the **HyFlex+Tec** format for all our students.*
- *Depending on availability at campuses, you will be able to choose the format that best suits your needs (remote or hybrid) for certain courses and programs.*
- *The semester will begin fully remotely, and the hybrid format will be implemented as the conditions at each campus allow.*
- *We recommend that all students take the introductory module of **HyFlex+Tec** and talk to your families in order to make the best decision regarding your choice.*
- *The process of enrollment for Tec21 students has been modified with a strategy for preselecting timetables that begins on July 13.*
- *Changes to timetables will be subject to availability per campus, and students will have the support of a remote advisor to request changes or answer queries.*
- *Returning to campuses will involve respecting and following the control and prevention measures on each of them, depending on health warning levels.*

Dear **Tec21** students and parents,

I hope that you and your loved ones are healthy and well. As we have already informed you, we will be implementing **HyFlex+Tec** for the August 2020 semester. This is a hybrid academic experience combining remote activities with others that are onsite and flexible, which will enable us to move quickly from one format to the other according to the conditions that occur due to the pandemic at the different cities where we are located.

The aim of this design is to protect everyone's health while providing the on-campus experience once again. Our teachers have been outstanding due to their great talent and capacity for sharing the best learning practices, regardless of onsite or remote format, with the quality and commitment we are famous for.

What's more, we have added contributions to this educational experience such as the **LiFE** experience, Tec value benefits, community outreach, access to the **Boost Your Skills** program, as well as the resources available from the **Taking Care of Your Mind** initiative.

With **HyFlex+Tec**, you will be able to choose between a fully remote learning experience and a hybrid one (mainly remote with some onsite elements), depending on your preferences and the availability we can offer per campus. We have designed a brief introductory module to help you understand what **HyFlex+Tec** consists of in order to support you in making this decision. We invite you to take a few minutes to learn about it on this site: <https://mitec.itesm.mx/sites/Academia/Cursos/HyFlexPlus> before July 13.

In order to provide you with a better experience, we have modified **the enrollment process for the HyFlex+Tec format** with a strategy for generating provisional timetables, which we will be asking you to do **from July 13 to 17 so that you can choose your learning units and the format you wish to take them in (hybrid or remote)** depending on what is available at your campus. Based on this choice, we will send you a proposed timetable. If you need to make changes or have queries about the proposed timetable, you can make an appointment to receive remote assistance. It is important to note that modifications to timetables will be subject to the availability of courses on each campus.

We also remind you that classes **will be taught remotely for the entire first period** (the first 5 weeks + Tec Week), regardless of which format you have chosen. In week 7 (September 21), students who have chosen the hybrid model may begin to experience that format if conditions allow according to the health level warning on each campus.

Below, we inform you of some of the general **control and prevention measures** that we will be carrying out over the next semester, which will be coming very soon to our website and official channels:

- The return to **onsite activities will be voluntary** in order to favor individual responsibility and freedom.
- Activities will begin again according to the **Health Level Warning System** provided by the federal authorities and pursuant to local authority guidelines. Only when the level is **green** can there be a return to weekly hybrid onsite courses.
- We will be implementing **specific guidelines** at all campuses in order to take special care of the most vulnerable members of our Tec community.
- Passing through **health checkpoints** will be obligatory in order to enter your campus. At these, we will take your body temperature and scan a QR code generated as the result of a **health self-diagnosis** that you will complete every day via an **app**.
- **Face masks** must be worn at all times. Frequent **hand washing** and the adoption of **respiratory etiquette (coughing or sneezing into the crook of your arm)** will also be obligatory.
- **Hand sanitizer** will be provided in high-traffic buildings and zones.
- Members of the community must stay **1.5 meters** apart.
- Spaces will be modified to favor the use of **natural ventilation**.
- **Facilities and services will be used** according to restrictions that are clearly indicated to generate a safer environment for everyone.
- We will use technological tools for **monitoring and traceability** with high standards of privacy to help us make decisions preventively and gradually.
- Socio-emotional support will be provided via a **helpline** and the **Taking Care of Your Mind** initiative.

I ask you to pay attention to the conditions listed for the reentry protocol so that you can complete the **enrollment process** promptly and correctly, and to also take note of the process to be followed for enrollment and deadlines.

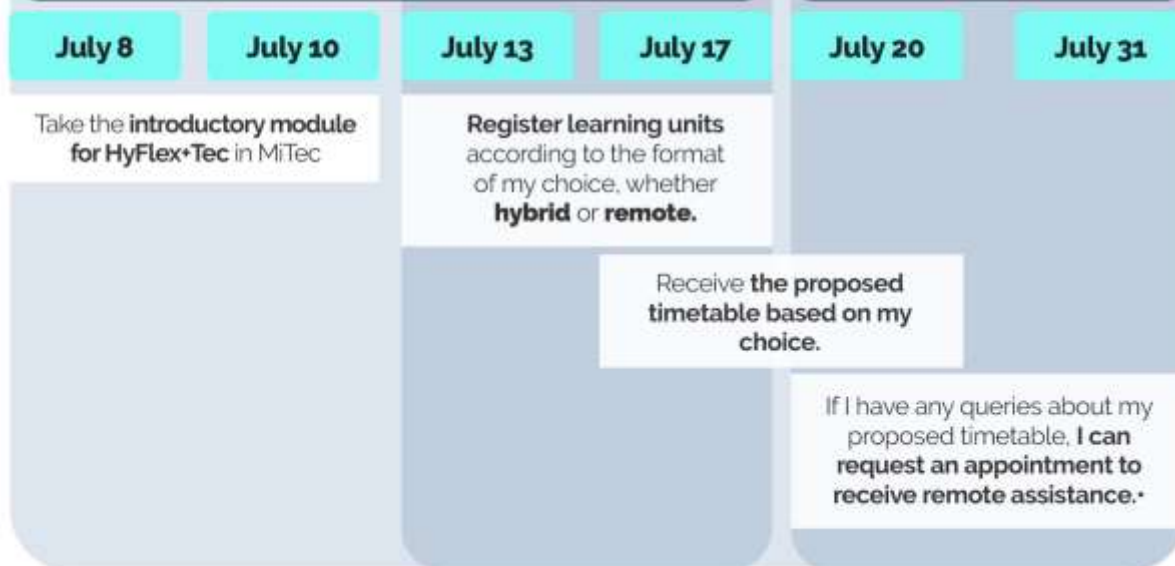
We will include a summary of the calendar for **Tec21** students below with important dates. We recommend that you pay attention to the information sent by each campus, as dates may vary. You can consult all the details in **MiTec**.

July 17 is the last day for choosing my learning units and formats.

July 31 is the last day for confirming timetables and generating the corresponding account statement.

1 Preparing (July 8 to 17)

2 Enrolling (July 20 to 31)



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Whether we are successful in reactivating our university life will depend on the **commitment of everyone in the community** (authorities, academics, teachers, collaborators, and of course you, our students) to following instructions and recommendations responsibly. We have been presented with a wonderful opportunity for Tec to show once again that we can take care of each other, whilst recovering those elements of our community life that we value so much.

The following channels are at your disposal for comments and queries:

Telephone: 800 112 2022

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Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Mexico Central Time)

We shall prevail over this situation that has affected us all with resilience, flexibility of adaptation, attitude, and commitment. Keep taking care of yourselves and your loved ones and following the provisions on social distancing, wearing face masks, and personal health measures that have proven effective in preventing infection.

We shall stay in touch with you to inform you of any new provisions that emerge during the progress of the pandemic over the following weeks.

Warmest regards,

Juan Pablo Murra Lascurain

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