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Faculty Experts Available to Comment on COVID-19

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The University of Richmond media relations team can connect you with experts for your stories on COVID-19. Our faculty can speak to the following topics:

Antivirals

Biology professor Eugene Wu studies viruses and can comment on potential antivirals that could work against this year's virus.

"With the world in desperate need of life-saving treatments for the thousands of infected persons around the world, we can't wait for the development of a new drug that would take years to reach the clinic," Wu said.

Economic Impact

Finance professor Tom Arnold can provide insight on how the COVID-19 outbreak is impacting the economy.

"For the typical investor, as tough as it is, probably the best thing is to hold on tight and wait out their stock market concerns," Arnold said.

Social Loneliness

Don Forsyth, a leadership studies professor and social and personality psychologist, is an expert on groups. He can discuss the impacts of minimizing social contact during quarantine measures.

"Social loneliness can be countered by reaching out to other people through any (safe) means possible — even writing a letter or email to an old friend will undo some of the negative effects of prolonged isolation," Forsyth said.

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