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The continued success of A&S during the pandemic has required the sustained and collaborative work of all members of our community. In this month's letter, Dean Geer highlights A&S students' perseverance and flexibility to make the most of this unusual semester.

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In Part III of our series on learning and teaching during the pandemic, we explore how online courses have changed the way faculty and students are approaching the semester. Faculty have innovated to creatively deliver their course material, and students have found unexpected moments of connection and reflection in their work.

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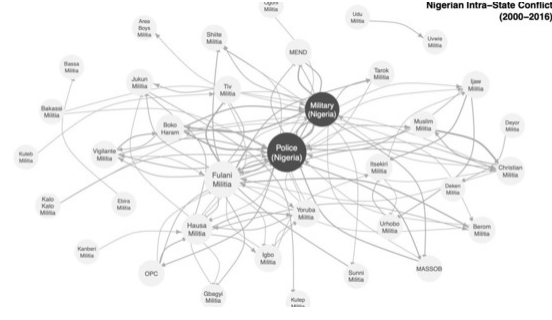
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Campus Friendships

Despite how differently the world has looked this semester, students have found ways to stay connected, be social, and remain safe across campus. Here, two students share a conversation and a meal in front of the recently opened Zeppos College on West End Ave.

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