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Subject: Academic Calendar Update, 3/19/2020

Dear Faculty Colleagues,

In our rapidly changing environment, this e-mail message is meant to complement the President's communication yesterday (March 18) and to give more specificity to Associate Provost Benton's email of March 16.

We are doing everything we can to abide by the three principles that have governed our reaction to the COVID-19 crisis (health/safety, graduate cadets on time, continuously reassess). Keeping these principles in mind, the following actions will take place:

1. All classes that have been converted to an alternative modality by today, Thursday March 19, will continue in that modality up through and including the regularly-scheduled (final) exam period that ends on April 28.
2. Those classes which could not be converted and are currently suspended will resume (if possible, unless otherwise noted) as soon as possible after April 28. These face-to-face classes will run (with extended contact hours) for 3+ weeks (again if possible, unless otherwise noted). This period will include any final examinations required for those classes. The Cruise calendar will follow the completion of this tentative schedule.

The intention of this targeted split was to allow all shore-side programs and general education classes that have converted to be fully completed before license-track and laboratory classes start up again in a compressed, face-to-face modality. This will also allow further conversations for possible regulatory relief to take place.

Please remember that March 26 – April 5 are non-instructional work days (with the exception of the holiday on March 31, Cesar Chavez Day). The decision to expand Spring Break was made when we still had a full student body on campus. For those faculty who have asked for these days "back" as instructional days, we must honor our communication to the cadets and avoid any further confusion. You may use these days to work on your classes, or conduct research, or take a deep breath, but cadets are on Spring Break and should not be expected to participate in any synchronous or asynchronous activities during that 11-day period.

Things will perhaps – maybe inevitably – shift again.

I understand you may have several questions or concerns, and I encourage you to bring this up to me, Graham, your Dean, or your Chair.

And as always, be good to yourselves and to others, especially during this challenging time.

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