

Provost's Report to the Academic Senate

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Academic Planning





Academic Continuity Plan

- <u>Virtual mode</u> of instruction as the primary mode
- Very limited exceptions for:
 - Limited number of laboratory/activity/studio classes
 - Faculty research
 - Faculty-supervised graduate student and undergraduate student research/projects
- All exceptions will follow already established review and approval process.
- Will develop various scenarios and plans for Fall 2021



Special Sessions

- Summer 2021
 - 5-day instruction/work week (Monday Friday)

- Winter 2022
 - Two parallel sessions:
 - Fully online, 4-week session (December to January)
 - Short, 2-week session (January)



ABC/No Credit (for undergraduate students) AB/No Credit (for graduate students)

- Applies in 2020-2021
- Fall 2020 Grading Option Change:
 - Students can change grading option in BroncoDirect from December 1 through 6
- Open Information Sessions for students via Zoom:
 - December 3, 5:00 6:00 pm
 - December 4, 12:00 1:00 pm
- Additional information on the Student Success Central website



Student Evaluations and Faculty Performance Evaluations

- AY 2020-21 student evaluations will be administered online (as in Spring 2021).
- Faculty <u>may exclude student teaching evaluations for one class section each semester</u> in academic year 2020-21.
- Upon further consultation with the CFA, a letter will be placed in the personnel action file of all faculty (permanent and temporary) stating the above, and to provide the pandemic related context.
- The letter will also be distributed to all review committees in 2021-22.



Ethnic Studies Requirement

- Board of Trustees finalized Title 5 GE Breadth requirements in November
 - Removed "and Social Justice" from name of Ethnic Studies requirement
 - Created Area F Ethnic Studies
- Expected soon: final GE Breadth Policy with core competencies
 - Once we have the core competencies, we will invite Area F: Ethnic Studies course proposals



Special Projects for Improving the Classroom Experience (SPICE) Proposals

- **New for 2021-22:** Innovative approaches/technologies that improve teaching and learning in remote/virtual experiences
 - Student interactions with virtual tools and environments
 - Inclusive engagement
 - Equity-minded pedagogy
 - Teaching for different learning modalities
 - Course and materials accessibility and cost
 - Student-faculty and student-student interactions
- Proposals due Monday, January 25, 2021
- Q&A Sessions
 - Tuesday, December 8, 2020, Noon to 1 p.m.
 - https://cpp.zoom.us/j/81192494768
 - Meeting ID: 811 9249 4768
 - Passcode: 142808
 - Thursday, December 10, 2020, Noon to 1 p.m.
 - https://cpp.zoom.us/j/88291627679
 - Meeting ID: 882 9162 7679
 - •_ Passcode: 731899

Grant Proposal Development Workshops

- Office of Research and Sponsored Programs Virtual Workshops:
 - Dec 18, 2020 Funding opportunities: Setting up PIVOT database account
 - Feb 5, 2021 Overview of Proposal Development and Submission
 - Feb 19, 2021 Proposal budget preparation and justification
 - Feb 26, 2021 Funding for Humanities and Education

All workshops will be offered 12:00 – 1:00 PM via Zoom link

