



Dear Student Colleagues,

I can't believe it is already May. As much as this has been a challenging semester, it remains hard to believe that in 4 weeks or so, we will begin our intersession and summer term. I hope as you prepare for your final exams, you will continue to remind yourselves of how much you have accomplished this year. Please hang in there and if you need anything - please don't hesitate to reach out. I will provide several links below that may be helpful, but of course you can email me as well.

Since last month, I have been very busy working with folks to help prepare for the summer and fall class schedule. This work has been challenging as we remain hopeful that we will maintain our low COVID-19 case rates in California, while we see other states, and countries struggle with outbreaks. Our hearts go out to India, Brazil, and other nations that are in crisis as we speak.

Hopefully you have started to review the class schedule for summer and fall terms. The good news is that we currently have at least 28% of our classes meeting face-to-face. We will continue to examine our course schedule with the intention to possibly add more choices as classes begin to fill. You will find courses from many subjects, so I hope you will be able fulfill all the requirements to earn your degree or certificate. Our deans and faculty worked hard to make sure classes needed for degree and certificate completion would be included in the summer and fall class schedules. You can check out the summer and fall course schedules [here](#).

As for me, besides working a lot I have still been spending a great deal of time in the garden. It is finally starting to get warm, so we are beginning to see the flowering of tomatoes and peppers. Our tomatillos look great already, and I'm thinking about some spicy salsa! Now that I am vaccinated, I have also felt more comfortable hanging out with friends and colleagues outdoors, having dinner, and catching up. It has been nice to do some "normal" things. Plus, I found a restaurant in my neighborhood that makes an amazing mole' sauce! I have never made that myself, but perhaps I will try this summer.

Well commencement is right around the corner. it will be so cool to see you and your families driving by and getting your diplomas. If you haven't registered for the event yet, information is below. It is going to be one for the memory books.

Be well!

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[Register for the Drive-thru Commencement](#)