

To the Saint Anselm community,

Today, the senior leadership team decided to extend the Easter recess. While the class schedule will remain the same, classes will be remote and students will be off-campus. We are doing this to address the following:

- the notable increase in COVID positive cases and those required to quarantine;
- our ability to contain the spread of the virus;
- respond to and manage new COVID variants alongside emerging cases of influenza;
- provide a much-needed community wide mental health respite;
- enable on-campus personnel to deep clean all quarantine and isolation spaces;
- and provide a “reset” of the campus bubble in order to bring us through the remainder of the Spring semester on-campus and to our 2021 Commencement.

Next Steps:

- Effective immediately and throughout the Easter recess through Monday, April 12:
 - Alcohol privileges have been suspended (regardless of legal age, no alcohol use)
 - Curfew in place 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. and strictly enforced.
 - Particular attention paid to Community Care Covenant compliance.
- In-person classes will be held on Thursday (03/25/2021). Students without Thursday in-person classes or those who are fully remote, are expected to depart from campus beginning this evening. Unless exempt ([see below](#)), all students must depart campus for Easter Break after their last class, no later than Thursday evening (03/25/2021) at 6 p.m.
- **Exempt**- the following students have permission to remain on campus for this Easter recess:
 - Sophomore, Junior, Senior Nursing Majors in clinical who are unable to commute to their clinical site from home;
 - Senior Education Majors in clinical who are unable to commute to their clinical site from home;
 - In season, Spring athletes: Lacrosse, Tennis, Baseball, Softball
 - International students;
 - Students currently in quarantine and isolation on-campus; and
 - Students scheduled for comprehensive exams Thursday or Friday.
- For students with significant hardship can apply for a [petition to stay](#) over Easter recess.
- This is only an extended recess. No need to pack up your entire room; you will be returning after Easter. What should you pack?
 - Materials needed for remote course work.
 - Valuables: laptops, chargers, medication...
 - Consider taking home belongings that you may not need with for the remainder of the semester. (winter clothing/jackets/boots, or anything you may not need for the remainder of the semester)
- Although the college is maintaining a no-visitor policy, family members are permitted on campus for move-out purposes ONLY. Family members are NOT allowed in the residence halls.
- Health Services (CHS) will be open to serve students residing on campus. Students must first call CHS to speak with staff prior to visiting the office.
- Dining services will remain open.
- Students required to depart campus will not be allowed back on campus until their assigned return date.
- In order to expedite departure, we will NOT be able to provide COVID testing before you leave campus.

Academics

- Classes will be in-session via remote Friday, March 26 thru Wednesday, March 31.
- There will be no classes Thursday, April ¹ or Friday, April 2.
- Classes will resume remotely Monday, April 5 thru Wednesday, April 7.
- In-person, on-campus classes will resume on Thursday, April 8.
- *Students who encounter technology challenges should contact Information Technology; those with accessibility challenges should contact the Academic Resource Center.*
- College offices will remain open, staffed, and available to serve and assist students with remote access needs.

Returning to Campus

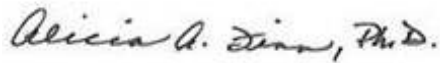
- Students will be assigned a return to campus date/time which will include testing for those not exempt. This will be sent in a separate email so check your account.
- Students without expressed permission and are not in the exempt groups noted above are NOT allowed on campus prior to their assigned return date/time.
- Please note that the State of New Hampshire has lifted the quarantine requirements associated with domestic travel.

The faculty, staff and administration remain committed to the success of our students. To this end, we are providing this extended Easter break in order to successfully complete the remainder of the semester on-campus including Commencement.

While this message provides comprehensive information relative to this change in schedule, you may have additional questions. Please know we are standing up a “call center” beginning today through Thursday, and then again on Tuesday, April 6 through Friday, April 9. The call center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 603.641.7930 for inquiries. More information is available at www.anselm.edu/coronavirus. We will continue to provide updates consistently over the next few days and upon our return after Easter.

On behalf of the faculty, staff, and administration I wish you a rest-filled recess and Blessed Easter. We look forward to your return to campus!

Sincerely,



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