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**BUDGET AND ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE  
RECOMMENDATION**

**SR-19-20-44 BAPC**

Recommends that the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar be revised as follows, with the caveat that additional campus closures, accompanied by switching to distance instruction, may be necessary in the event of further outbreaks of COVID-19:

**Fall Semester**

- Maintain the Labor Day holiday/3-day weekend of September 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>.
- Face-to-face activity will continue through November 21<sup>st</sup> (the Saturday preceding Thanksgiving Break) and cease immediately afterwards.
- After Thanksgiving Break, one week (November 30<sup>th</sup> – December 4<sup>th</sup>) of online/distance instruction followed by one week (December 7<sup>th</sup> – December 11<sup>th</sup>) of online final exams

**Spring**

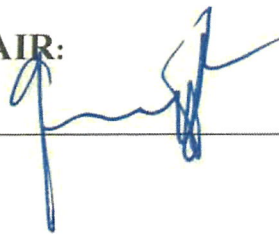
- Delay the start of the Spring term by one week. This would mean starting the term on Tuesday January 19<sup>th</sup> (the day after Martin Luther King, Jr. Day).
- Cancel the first four days of Spring Break (Monday March 15<sup>th</sup> – Thursday March 18<sup>th</sup>): classes would instead be in session to make up for the delayed start and to reduce high-risk travel/vacations.
- The last day to withdraw from a full semester individual course will be modified to March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- No classes in session for Friday March 19<sup>th</sup> (originally scheduled as the final day of Spring Break); this would create a 3-day weekend
- The term would end face-to-face as scheduled on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, with exams April 26<sup>th</sup>-April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**RATIONALE:**

The revisions will reduce the potential for a coronavirus outbreak on campus.

**FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:**

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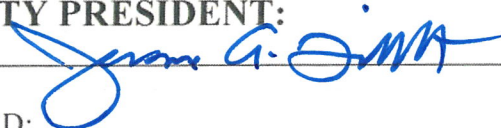
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**COMMENTS:**