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Greetings! First and foremost, I would like to extend to all of you a heartfelt THANK YOU. These times are unique, these times are challenging, these times can be frustrating to say the least. Your cooperation and adherence to our COVID-19 protocols have been very much appreciated and noted. I realize that constantly wearing a mask, getting tested multiple times, and scaling down our interactions is far less than ideal. But, as Wildcats do, we are diligently working through these challenges together.

One of the commitments that we take very seriously at B-CU is a commitment to safety. As such, following discussions with the campus leadership team and members of our Faculty Senate executive committee, we've made a difficult and data-informed decision in light of the COVID-19 variants and spread, to adjust the 'typical' semester timeline as follows: Students will finish classes for the semester prior to the Thanksgiving break and complete their final exams remotely the week following Thanksgiving. For those courses/instructors that cannot administer the final exam online, students for those courses would be expected to return to campus the week following Thanksgiving to complete the finals.

Schedule:

- Last day of classes will be November 23 (no change)
- Thanksgiving holiday is November 24-27 (no change)
- Final Exam Week is November 29-December 4 (no change in dates, however, if possible finals will be administered online/remotely)

Please know, we have put a great deal of thought into this decision and want to always act in the best interest of your safety. Again, I sincerely thank you all for your cooperation, flexibility, and understanding. Together we must all do our part to protect ourselves, our campus, and each other.

Gratefully,

Dr. William Berry
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