

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Members of the Professional Health Sciences Committee and Faculty Senate

FROM: John Tomkowiak, Founding Dean 

DATE: August 14, 2019

RE: 2019-2024 Academic Calendar extension

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The Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine has extended the current Academic Calendar originally approved by the Faculty Senate on 1/17/17 and 12/18/17. We are seeking your approval for the accompanied updated calendar. This version provides important dates and deadlines extending to AY 2023-2024.

In addition to the extension, there are several changes to dates in the previously approved AY 2019-2020 and AY 2020-2021 calendars in this new draft. These changes are summarized below. Please note ESFCOM follows a four-term schedule. Fall, Winter, and Spring terms are 14 weeks in length. Summer term is eight weeks in length.

Summary of Changes

- Progressive Assessment (Final Examinations) is now titled Assessment/Feedback/Targeted Skills Development.
- **AY 2019-2020:** The final day of Fall term was adjusted to the end of the 14<sup>th</sup> week of the term on 11/22/19.
- **AY 2019-2020:** To compensate for the 53-week 2019-2020 academic year in the WSU calendar, our first and second-year students have the entire week of Thanksgiving off for Fall Break. Third year students, who are primarily out in clinical rotations with work schedules set by the clinical environment, may still participate in their clinical learning environments this week.
- **AY 2019-2020:** The "Grades Due" dates were adjusted for the Fall and Spring terms to ensure each due date listed is five business days after the end of the term.
- **AY 2019-2020 and 2020-2021:** Dates in the Winter Break columns were edited to reflect weekday dates only so as to align with the Spring Break date format.

Thank you kindly for your review.

cc: Jim Hupp, Vice Dean for Student and Faculty Experience  
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