



Office of the Presidents



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Dear Students and Families of Mitchell College,

We are in the final week of Session II of the spring semester, and it is hard to believe how much has happened in a short span of time. We are **so proud of you for your resilience** in moving to and embracing remote learning! It has been a learning curve for many – students, faculty and staff alike – and **you have all done a brilliant job** at being adaptable and working towards mastering new skills.

Thank you also to our resident students for your patience as we wait for the governor's executive order to be lifted so that you can return to your residence halls to pack up your rooms. We understand that not knowing when is not easy, but you are all doing your part to protect the safety of our campus community, and we thank you for that!

We think about all of you every day and the disruption that COVID-19 has brought to your college campus experience – from our freshmen, just getting the hang of college life, to our sophomores and juniors and especially our seniors, who have worked so hard and looked forward to 2020 and this special time of year.

Some parts of the year's end remain the same. **Final exams are on Friday, May 1**, and we wish you much success! Your diligence and preparation will pay off!

Some parts of the year's end will be different – you won't hug your friends goodbye or walk in your caps and gowns on May 9. Plans are in the works, however, for a **virtual End of Session II celebration, Senior Week, and Commencement celebration**. Watch your inbox for information on these fun and unique events designed to honor you as you transition to a new adventure – either rising to a new class or moving on to life after college!

Another way to honor your classmates is to join us **on Monday, May 4, at 1 p.m. for the Mitchell College 2020 Virtual Academic & Student Affairs Awards Ceremony** in the Zoom "Auditorium." We will recognize Mitchell students for their academic achievement and student leadership on campus! Join the Ceremony at <https://mitchell.zoom.us/j/94269992751?pwd=eTVlaHdBUEhBdjaXaG1WUTVGZFJWQT09> (Meeting ID: 942 6999 2751 Password: 207916).

To stay connected to Mitchell for a few weeks longer, consider signing up for a **May or June MiniMester**. There is a great selection of courses, and you can earn 3 to 4 credits in just two weeks each session. Also, find out about **summer internship opportunities** by contacting **Paul Dunn**.

We look forward to the time when we will be back on campus, together! Until then, please continue take care of yourself and those around you.

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