

**Academic Advancement**

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Dear Parents and Families of Students in the Class of 2022—

As you all know, Wesleyan delayed the start of the spring semester due to the omicron surge, which resulted in [changes to the academic calendar](#). Classes now begin on January 27 and will be online for the first few days. In-person instruction will begin on January 31. To accommodate the late start to the semester, spring break will now be from March 12 - March 20.

It is hard to believe that graduation is nearly here. From the many conversations I have had with students in recent weeks, I know that excitement is building in anticipation of this big day. The pandemic has touched many of us in profound ways and these are challenging times, but I am optimistic for what is in store for the Class of 2022. I have an enduring hope for what the future holds, and your students are a part of the change that will bring about the solutions we need to move forward in the most humane ways possible.

Seniors are busy preparing for the day-to-day business of their final semester, but please encourage your students to avail themselves of all the resources the campus has to offer. The [Gordon Career Center](#) is available to help students navigate the career exploration process. Additionally, [Cardinals Helping Cardinals](#) is another useful resource to help current students connect with alumni and other members of the Wesleyan community around career development.

In the upcoming weeks, I will continue to review academic histories for the Class of 2022 and will send email messages about graduation requirements, major certification, and how to confirm the name that will be printed on the diploma. In the interim, encourage your students to review their Credit Analysis Report, General Education Report, and major certification form(s) in WesPortal.

The Commencement ceremony itself is scheduled to begin at 11am on Sunday, May 22. It is our intention and hope to celebrate Commencement with family and friends on campus. Per current COVID campus visitor guidelines, all guests at Commencement will need to register and attest to being fully vaccinated. We will continue to assess conditions of the pandemic and whether there will be any limitations on the number of guests. For the most up to date information along with the calendar of commencement-related activities that will be taking place the weekend of May 19-22, please consult the [Reunion/Commencement website](#).

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns about your student, their senior year, or graduation, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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