Dear PAU Community,

Welcome to Spring 2022! I hope everyone had an enjoyable and restful spring break. Before I share spring reminders, I want to thank you—the students, faculty, and staff of Palo Alto University—for your dedication and commitment to education throughout the fall and winter quarters. I am sincerely grateful for all of the work that each of you have done to support, guide and increase the academic knowledge of our community during this time. Each of you have been invaluable to the continued success of this community. Please continue to practice grace towards both yourself and others. Below are a few friendly reminders as we go into Spring quarter:

**Instruction**

PAU classes will be offered in one of the three modalities for Spring quarter:

- **Residential** (course instruction is offered in person only)
- **Hyflex** (course instruction is delivered both in-person on campus and online at the same time by the same faculty member)
- **WEB** (course instruction is offered online only)

The course modality is detailed on the course schedule. The Spring quarter schedule has been updated to reflect this information. For students enrolled in our online programs, your scheduled online courses will be offered as planned.

If you need spaces to study, meet and work during the Spring quarter. If you would like to book spaces on the Calvin campus you may do so by completing this form. If you would like to book a space in the library, please click here.

**Health & Safety**

As we come to the homestretch of the academic year, let’s keep working to protect each other by staying vigilant to the continued presence of COVID-19. As a reminder, face masks are highly recommended while indoors on campus. While we navigate the new mask guidance sent out on February 15, let’s continue to honor our shared commitment to equity and inclusion and support those who cannot get vaccinated, or who need to keep themselves or loved ones safe by limiting their exposure and risk. Classes and clinical training that occur in a health facility will continue to require all students, faculty, and staff to wear a face mask while indoors. In addition, Faculty members can decide to require students in residential or hyflex courses to wear face masks during class. We must all do our part to respect and value the health and safety of everyone within our community.

**Commencement**

As a reminder PAU’s 2022 commencement ceremony will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 18, at the Santa Clara Convention Center. More information about commencement can be found here. If you have any questions regarding commencement, please contact commencement@paloaltou.edu.

Have a safe and productive spring quarter!

With PAU pride,

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