Campus Closures and Faculty Related FAQ’s

The below FAQ’s address faculty related issues that may arise due to campus closures caused by weather conditions and power outages.

When classes resume, what should I do?

Consider the impact of the power shutoff on students. Demonstrate flexibility in working with students on assignment due dates and test dates. If you find that students have been experiencing undue stress because of situations caused by severe weather conditions and power outages (including students who reside on campus), refer them to the CARE Team at care@csusb.edu or 909-537-2273.

Remember that student access to Blackboard was interrupted during the power shutoff. Please help students understand how your class schedule is being altered to accommodate the closure days. We appreciate all you are doing to help students get back into classes.

Should I offer my classes online?

You are under no obligation to do so. If you offer your classes online or via Zoom, then be mindful that not all students will be able to access the platform as they too may be without power in their homes. To treat all students equitably, only offer online classes if you are able to notify your students with advance notice and only if you are able to record the class and make it available to students who could not attend the online session.

What about internships and clinicals?

Internships and clinicals may resume when campus reopens. Students will not be required to make up hours lost during the power shutoff.

Should I make adjustments to the academic calendar or add class periods to make up for lost time?

No, faculty should not make any changes to the CSUSB Academic Calendar for the 2019-20 school year. Class periods should not be added to make up lost time and finals week should be used for finals and not to make up lost class time. We anticipate that Winter and Spring Quarters will remain the same (see, https://www.csusb.edu/academic-programs/academic-calendars for further details).
If I have a student who needs help with university deadlines or with student services as a result of the power shutoff, whom should I contact?

If you have a student who needs help, please have them send an email to the Associate Dean of Students Lisa Root at lisa.root@csusb.edu. You may also send information to Associate Dean Root if you have concerns about a student. We will make sure the student’s needs gets addressed.

How will the RPT process be impacted by the campus closures?

Schedules will be adjusted commensurate with the number of closure days. Deadlines cannot be changed until campus reopens. Please disregard late notices. Contact Associate Provost Yildirim at seval.yildirim@csusb.edu for RPT-related questions.

How will the Sabbatical and the DIP applications be impacted by the campus closures?

Deadlines will be adjusted commensurate with the number of closure days. Contact Associate Provost Yildirim at seval.yildirim@csusb.edu if you have any sabbatical or DIP questions.

How will faculty and administrative searches be impacted by the campus closures?

Search activities may resume when campus reopens.

What happens if I am unable to return to work or class due to severe weather conditions when campus reopens?

Please inform your department chair if you are unable to return when campus re-opens.

If I am currently on a university-approved leave, does the campus closures extend my leave days?

Unfortunately, no. Leaves do not work in this manner. Please contact the Office of Faculty Affairs and Development for more information.

For additional questions or concerns, contact the Office of Faculty Affairs and Development at FacultyAffairsandDevelopment@csusb.edu or 909-537-5029.