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Dear Students,

The administration recently received a petition that calls for the cancelation of spring quarter final exams due to the ongoing civil unrest occurring throughout our nation and around the world. We are all acutely aware how difficult the past few months have been, dealing with the challenges of the current global pandemic. The additional distress and concern stemming from the recent protests and related violence has generated additional anxieties for everyone, particularly those who make up our diverse student body.

From the very beginning of the spring quarter, this University has been dedicated to ensuring that all of our students can continue their academic progress. On April 24, all current students received a message from Provost Shari McMahan; it remains posted [here](#) on the University's website. That message explains how the University, in collaboration with ASI, the Faculty Senate and the administration, instituted a provisional modification of the academic grading process, giving the students the option of moving any of their spring quarter grades from a letter grade to credit/no credit.

Through June 8, the credit/no credit or ABC/no credit options remain available to students via MyCoyote. From June 9-30, students may petition the Office of the Registrar to change their grading scale. Students should speak with an academic advisor prior to making any changes to their grading scale.

With these options available, coupled with the commitment we have made all CSUSB students to provide the support and opportunities to achieve their academic goals, all final exams will continue as scheduled.

We encourage students that have questions or concerns about academic and support services to visit <https://www.csusb.edu/covid-19/resources-virtual-learning-teaching-and-working> for assistance.

Best,

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