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Dear Colleagues,

As we enter the final stretch of the Spring 2025 semester, campus is coming alive with sunshine, green grass, and a sense of excitement among students preparing to graduate. For our soon-to-be graduates, this season marks a new beginning—made possible in large part by your dedication and the learning experiences you create. Thank you for all you do to support and inspire them.

This spring also marks our transition to [Canvas as MSU's Learning Management System](#). This is a significant step that offers new tools to enhance teaching and learning. Courses dating back to Summer 2022 have already been [migrated for your review](#). You can [view your auto-generated core shells](#) for Summer 2025 and Fall 2025 courses now.

The team in Academic Technology and Outreach has worked diligently on this transition for more than a year. We're grateful for their efforts, including the many [training and support resources](#) they've developed. As part of the LMS transition, keep in mind that [student data](#) such as submissions, discussion posts, and grades will not be automatically migrated from D2L. If you need this information for assessment, accreditation, recommendation letters or promotion and tenure materials, be sure to download it by June 1.

As we approach finals, commencement, and end-of-term tasks, a few important reminders:

- **Use Final Week for instruction.** This final class time is a valuable opportunity to help students finish strong and is essential for accreditation and federal aid compliance. You may use this time for exams, presentations, reviews or other instructional activities. Please remind students of the Final Week Schedule to help them plan.
- **Submit final grades by Monday, May 12.** Timely grade entry helps students and supports the work of our Registrar's Office.
- **Save student work for Incomplete (I) grades.** If you assign an I grade, remember to save the relevant student work from D2L before June 1, because student work will not be migrated into Canvas). This will be important later when you assign the final grade. Additional guidance is available on the [Registrar's website](#).

I hope you find time amid the busyness of the season to reflect on the positive impact you've had. Your dedication to students—and to the broader mission of this university—is deeply appreciated.

Warm regards,



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Upcoming Events

April 16: Last Day to Drop a Spring 2025 course with a "W" Grade

April 18: University Day (no classes, offices open)

May 5: Community Lunch for President Waded Cruzado

May 9: Spring 2025 Commencement

May 12: Grades due to Registrar's Office by midnight

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