CONFESSIONS OF A SKEPTICAL PROFESSOR

This last spring and summer, I was a curmudgeon about returning to campus. I didn’t think it would turn out well. It’s built into our nature to love being close to our friends and it’s also an important part of the college experience to get together outside of class. Covid is so contagious, I thought we’d be back on campus for just a few weeks, tops. I also wasn’t quite sure how I could teach students who were in class with me while also teaching, and being fair to, students who were remote. I pictured students needing to quarantine or isolate and that the number of you needing to do so would quickly ramp up.

Knock on wood, I happily confess I was wrong, and the credit goes to you, UNH students, who have been holding up your end of the bargain. I’m still worried about my teaching and being fair, but you’ve been patient with us and you’ve displayed great attitudes and adaptability. UNH’s test positivity rate is only 0.04% while we’re seeing cases rise throughout the country.

So thank you all for proving me wrong and thank you for putting up with professors like me when we fumble about, trying to get things right. And please, don’t let your guard down. Please keep wearing your masks, washing your hands, interacting outside when you can, and keeping your distance. As we’ve seen over and over again, Covid is opportunistic, and things can turn around in a heartbeat.

Prof. Cook
IMPORTANT DATES:
PLEASE REFER TO THE REGISTRAR'S CALENDAR FOR MORE INFORMATION HTTPS://WWW.UNH.EDU/REGISTRAR

Monday, Oct. 12th - Indigenous Peoples' Day
Tuesday, Oct. 13th - UNH Town Hall Meetings!
  12:00 p.m. - https://unh.zoom.us/j/95627473127 or call +1 646 876 9923
  Webinar ID: 956 2747 3127
  7:00 p.m. - https://unh.zoom.us/j/95863300645 or call +1 646 876 9923
  Webinar ID: 958 6330 0645

Tuesday, Oct. 13th - 'Managing Time & Stress During Your Job/Internship Search', 5:30-6:30 p.m. https://unhcaps.info/managestressceps - for registration and zoom info.

Friday, Oct. 16th - Due date for completion of undergraduate coursework resolving Spring/Summer 2020 IC grades.
Half Term I classes end
LAST DAY to completely withdraw from the University without receiving grades of WP or WF

Saturday, Oct. 17th - Navaratri begins (Hindu)

Monday, Oct. 26th - Navaratri ends (Hindu)

Friday, Oct. 30th - Special Grade Reports for Spring/Summer IC grades undergraduate coursework due in Deans' Offices.

Saturday, Oct. 31st - Halloween

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD GENERAL ELECTION DAY!

SEMINARS & EVENTS

ICNet Graduate Student Network Webinar Series
CEE Grad student, Eunsang Cho presents: 'Design extreme snowpack and snowmelt for infrastructure design over the U.S.'
Friday, Oct. 16th @ 1:00 p.m. (EST)
Register: https://forms.gle/RrubuMDgufJqm8E59

Grad Seminar, Friday, Oct. 16th @ 2:10 p.m. (EST)
CEE Grad student, Megan Verfaillie presents: 'Oil Spill Modeling for Improved Response to Arctic Maritime Spills (AMSM):
The Path Forward
Zoom: https://unh.zoom.us/j/99998548033?pwd=eFhjOTZRvVvZ3dEMDyYjBYZFBZd09
Password: 620851

More information for these seminars have been posted to Announcements in My Courses - CEE Course and Grad Course
IN THE SPOTLIGHT!
CE 967 doing seismic refraction testing at the home of Professor Benoit in Lee last week.

PET SPOTLIGHT!

Meet Bailey, our recent Graduate!

Miss Bailey is a 6 mos. old Cocker Spaniel who just graduated from her Puppy Classes with The Puppy Star Award!

She belongs to Kristen, CEE Admin Assistant and although she is a Covid puppy (born March, 2020) she can't wait for this to go away so she can come in and meet you & her fellow CEE furry friends.

Health and Wellness is offering flu clinics by appointment for faculty, students and staff at the Hamel Rec Center from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. on the following dates (no walk-in appointments.)

- Wednesday, Oct. 14th
- Friday, Oct. 16th
- Monday, Oct. 19th
- Wednesday, Oct. 21st

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