Clarification Regarding Academic Instruction During UNM Period of Limited Operations.

This message is primarily directed to UNM main campus students and branch campus students. Students in HSC programs should look for direct communications from your program directors, and that information takes precedence over this message.

The University would like to provide clarity to the extended spring break for students. Broadly, the spring break extension that was announced for students did not have explicit provisions for whether academic content would be available after March 23. Academic Affairs - administrators and faculty - has been working diligently to ensure that we provide our students every opportunity to be successful in completing their academic coursework. As we have stated, this is a fluid situation and we are responding as quickly and decisively as possible.

As per the Provost’s messages late yesterday to students and faculty, students already scheduled for online coursework will continue with no delay in content delivery. Additionally, many academic units are striving to have some instruction online by March 23rd; students will receive notice from their faculty if such instruction is being assigned within the period of reduced operations. Other activities such as graduate student research, internships, and studio project work, will also continue during this time. With over 10,000 course sections ongoing this term, there are many separate adjustments to instructional modes and one size will not fit all.

The University apologizes for any confusion and is actively engaged in ensuring a continuity of operations to the extent that is possible, especially as it pertains to our students’ access to available curriculum assignments and ultimate success in their academic pursuits.