



TO: Educational Policies Council
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SUBJECT: Remembrance Day 2020 and University Academic Calendar
DATE: Friday, 10 August 2018

As Kent State University approaches the 50th commemoration of the events of 4 May 1970, President Warren announced plans for a yearlong observance that will begin in fall 2019 and continue until 4 May 2020. (Visit www.kent.edu/president/may4 for updates of the planned events.)

In 2020, Remembrance Day falls on a Monday during spring final exam week. Provost Diacon have asked that no exams be scheduled on that day, as well as no exams scheduled the prior Saturday and Sunday (2-3 May 2020). It is anticipated that there will be many visitors and activities on campus over the weekend and on the day. The provost does not want those events to disrupt students and faculty during exam time.

The Office of the University Registrar has reviewed several options to fulfill the request. Most of these options violate university policy and/or are impossible to achieve with current room capacity and student schedules.

The most workable option is to extend final exam week and end one day later, see the table on the next page. Ending exam week one day later than currently scheduled will also end spring semester one day later.

President Warren and Provost Diacon have approved extending spring exam week and spring semester in 2020 by one day. This calendar revision applies to the whole university and all its courses, programs, campuses and locations.

Office of Curriculum Services

Academic Calendar April–May 2020 CURRENT

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|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
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| 3 Exam Day | 4 Exam Day | 5 Exam Day | 6 Exam Day Spring Semester Ends | 7 Summer 7-Week Class Starts | 8 | 9 Commence- ment |
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* Estimated date based on past dates.