Good Morning:

Following a request from the Counseling Center for a much-needed respite for students, the Academic Policies Committee and All-College Committee have voted to set aside next **Friday, March 19, 2021 as a Reading Day**. On this day, classes will not be held, and all assignments and exams scheduled for that day will be deferred. Faculty please concentrate on other work that day, as the college is open and faculty and staff are expected to work.

I understand that this move is potentially disruptive to classes, but this short break from deadlines will allow students to take a breath, re-group, and prepare for the second half of the semester.

Thank you and stay well,

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