We continue to make progress and push forward! A few updates to share for the day....

1. We have been hearing stories of increased student participation and engagement as student and faculty settle into the on-line environment. Please continue to share those stories with each other. One place to do so: Director's Coffee Hour from 9-10 am [https://arizona.zoom.us/my/johnkoprowskiarizona](https://arizona.zoom.us/my/johnkoprowskiarizona)

2. With talk of how the university might respond to budget shortfalls, furloughs have been mentioned. I do not have any additional insight on if and when such options might be used although they appear likely. Here is a link to how furloughs worked back more than a decade ago (damn, I am old!): [https://uanews.arizona.edu/story/furloughs-start-tomorrow](https://uanews.arizona.edu/story/furloughs-start-tomorrow) THIS IS A LINK FROM A DECADE AGO despite the URL name!

3. Summer class registration continues to move forward. We have about 120 students enrolled primarily in wildlife courses (50%) and GIS (30%). instructors please continue to get the word out as we have many seats available in our General Education courses... we have a full slate of summer courses to help students stay/get back on track: [https://www.snre.arizona.edu/snre-summer-courses-available](https://www.snre.arizona.edu/snre-summer-courses-available)

4. Students can select the P/F option for courses through the last day of classes on 6 May. Instructors are not involved in this process and so you needn't do anything except keep your grading up to date (no easy feat I know) so that students have a sense of where they are at as the semester nears. The student's choice will not be known to you until your final grade sheet.

5. We will be looking for students, faculty and staff to assist with conversion of our remaining to courses to an on-line environment. Small stipends and some technical assistance/training will be available. More later when we know what budget realities are.

6. Yours truly will be conducting a Q & A session as part of the SNRE Seminar Series tomorrow (Wednesday, 15 April)...I will show a few slides on how SNRE is performing in the eyes of the Dean and the Provost with a sense of where our monies come from and open the 'zoom floor' to questions. [https://arizona.zoom.us/j/355039068](https://arizona.zoom.us/j/355039068)

Keep up the great work and be sure to look out the window every once in a while too...the brilliant yellow of our palo verde trees are starting to pop (unfortunately those with allergies already know this!) and the knowledge the that prickly pears, saguaros and ironwoods will soon follow! John

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