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MEMO

TO: Faculty and Administrators

FROM: Deborah E. Bordelon, Ph.D. DBProvost and Executive Vice President

RE: Student Course Evaluations – Spring 2020

The Spring 2020 semester has been significantly affected by the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. Starting on March 20, 2020, all courses transitioned to remote learning for the remainder of the Spring 2020 semester. This disruption in the delivery of instruction resulted in challenges for both faculty and students. As a result, the Spring 2020 student course evaluations will not be used in the tenure and promotion review or annual review for 2020, unless a faculty member specifically requests that they be considered. The feedback from students should be used for formative purposes and may provide information on the students' experiences during the shift to remote and online learning.

Student course evaluations are only one piece of evidence in the much broader evaluation of teaching effectiveness. Please refer to the Faculty Handbook for additional information on the multiple sources of evidence that should be used to support a faculty member's overall teaching effectiveness.