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Hi, All –

Welcome back - I hope you all had a great break! Below is a short update as I imagine you are all focusing on the first day of classes this Wednesday.

TL;DR Version:

Key dates for the next few days and spring! Please note that we will be having our normal department and school meetings this Friday. Honorlock training for first time users to day at 10:30 – zoom link below!

Below are key dates for Spring:

- Monday, Jan 5 - First Duty Day
- **Wednesday, Jan 7** - **First Day of Classes (Full/A)**
- Friday, Jan 9 - School Meeting Friday! SPAS at 1130 – zoom link below:

<https://fsw.zoom.us/j/85654514772?pwd=cStWVW5CQ050UWN2U21TU0U1T2U5Zz09>

- **Monday, Jan. 19** - **College Closed! MLK Day**
- **Wednesday, Jan. 21** - **First Day of Classes (Express)**
- Friday, Feb 20 - State of the College
- Wednesday, Feb. 25 - Compact A Grades Due at 12:00 p.m. (noon)
- Monday, March 2 - First Day of Classes (B)
- March 16 -22 - College Closed! Spring Break
- April 22 - 28 - Final Exams
- Thursday, April 30 - Grades Due at 12:00 p.m. (noon)
- Friday, May 1 - Commencement!
- Monday, May 4 - Last Duty Day!

Honorlock Training:

If you have questions, please enroll in the [Honorlock Toolkit](#) to stay current with updates and access our hub of resources!

- **1/5/2026 10:30am-11:30am - Training for first time Honorlock users**
(<https://honorlock.zoom.us/j/83501410825?jst=2>)
- 1/9/2026 9:00am-10:00am - Honorlock Drop-In Support Office
Hours (<https://honorlock.zoom.us/j/84923224842?>

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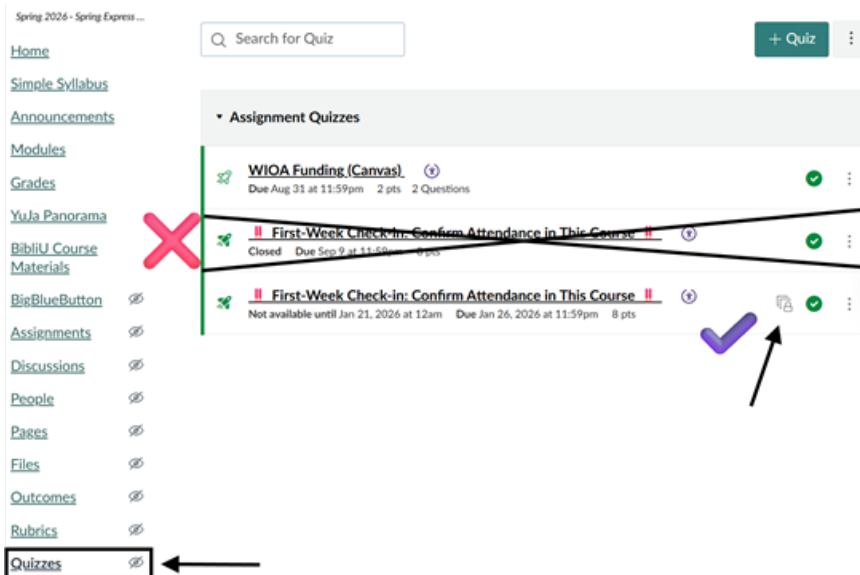
- 1/16/2026 9:00am-10:00am - Honorlock Drop-In Support Office Hours (<https://honorlock.zoom.us/j/87957835440?pwd=OnP7txOOYrS7V6YhDLrKkX8Y2qhGCy.1&jst=2>)
- 1/23/2026 9:00am-10:00am - Honorlock Drop-In Support Office Hours (<https://honorlock.zoom.us/j/86025296351?jst=2>)

Office Hours and Spring Syllabi (repeat)

It looks the majority of you have both completed - thanks! Syllabi are due now and office hours are due by Friday.

Attendance Verification Quizzes:

Be sure to delete any quizzes from previous semesters! Keep the one with that is locked (or with the 2026 due date) and be sure to delete any others that might have rolled. If a student takes the wrong Quiz, their attendance won't be recorded.



Research Reassign Time (repeat)

If you have interest in applying for the Research Reassigned Time position for the 2026-2027 academic year and you are not already a Research Reassigned Time faculty, complete the packet by January 15, 2026 and submit to joseph.vangaalen@fsw.edu. If you have any questions on the application or the process, please feel free to call x16965 or email (joseph.vangaalen@fsw.edu). Additional details on eligibility criteria and requirements are shown below, and are posted to the Office of Sponsored Programs webpage at <https://www.fsw.edu/facultystaff/ospr/researchtime>.

As always - comments, questions, or concerns, please let me know.

Best Regards,

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Bad joke of the day:

Q: Why do numerators and denominators disagree?

A: They've drawn a line.