

Final Exam Resource Round-up: 2020 Edition

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With a novel academic year still underway, support for remote tools, alternative learning styles, hybrid education models, and additional needs are still important areas for consideration. Specific to Nursing, faculty should begin to peruse the online resources related to remote final exams.

Final Exam Schedule

According to Penn's preliminary exam schedule, final exams will take place **Tuesday, December 15 through Tuesday, December 22**. For more information on the specifics of the schedule, [click here](#).

Remote Exam Development

As shared previously during the spring and summer 2020 semesters, the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) has developed a landing page for [adapting exams for the online teaching environment](#).

Suggestions expressed here include:

- Setting a specific timeframe and access mode (synchronous vs. asynchronous)
- Considering technical barriers
- Communicating exam expectations with students, which can be done using the descriptive text associated with the quiz or assignment in Canvas

Remote Exam Accessibility Needs

For students who have documented accessibility needs, it is important to utilize the testing moderation options. Faculty can add additional testing time and extra attempts for particular students, and this is demonstrated in the [Canvas Vitals video tutorial linked here](#).

SDS has a set of standards in place for exam accommodation. These standards include the student signing the Penn Code of Academic Integrity, the instructor informing the student about the extended exam end time prior to the beginning of the exam, and the instructor communicating the permitted exam window during the proctored time period.

In the case of extended time, faculty needing assistance should contact servicedesk@nursing.upenn.edu **at least 48 hours before the start of the exam**.

Read: [Important exam information for students requesting accommodations](#)

Remote Proctoring Tools

Please note: The Provost's office has determined that Penn is **not recommending or supporting proctoring tools** during this remote teaching and learning period. Due to potential technical barriers and other challenges students may face when using these tools, this has been enforced across the Nursing community since the spring semester. For any special use cases or further questions, please email servicedesk@nursing.upenn.edu.