

# PEPPERDINE

## SEAVER COLLEGE



Compiled with the latest news, deadlines, and events, the Summarium seeks to act as a resource to our community as we enter a new week.

### Message from Dean Feltner

This has been a difficult period for Seaver College and for me personally; yet amidst the challenges, the blessings have been abundant. I won't recount the challenges—we've all experienced them—but the blessings merit recognition. Seeing colleagues console students warms my heart. Hearing a co-worker extend grace in the presence of anger reaffirms the goodness of this place and its people. The thoughtful expressions of gratitude and the outpouring of prayer lifts my spirit and renews my strength. The kindness of a colleague facing an incomprehensible difficulty convicts me to persevere. Goodness, beauty, and joy remain present in our community.

As we face the days ahead, different though they may be, I urge you to fix your hearts and your minds on all that is good. Our future tasks will be challenging, but their difficulty pales in comparison to the satisfaction and joy that awaits us upon completion. We are in this together, one wave, and we are here to support you.

“ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.  
- Romans 5:1-5 ”

May the grace and hope of God's love lift you today and all days.

Sincerely,

Michael Feltner  
Dean, Seaver College

### Important Resources

For updates on COVID-19 and the University's response, visit Pepperdine's [COVID-19 Planning and Preparedness website](#).

For teaching resources visit the Center for Teaching Excellence's [Keep on Teaching website](#) or TechLearn's [Academic Continuity Plan website](#).

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## Keeping Our Community Connected

### Remote Chapel

Wednesday, March 18 at 9:00 AM

Join University Chaplain Sara Barton every Wednesday for a Seaver faculty [chapel session on Zoom](#).



The goal of these remote sessions is to build community and provide support through prayer and scripture. Everyone is invited to participate. If you would like to read scripture or say a prayer, please email [Sara Barton](#).

[Add to Calendar](#)

### Coffee with Colleagues

Wednesday, March 18 at 10 AM

Join this weekly [Zoom meeting](#) hosted by the CTE to discuss discuss pedagogical strategies, joys, and challenges.



These sessions, hosted by the director of the Center of Teaching Excellence Christopher Heard, will aim to help faculty find relevant resources as you continue to support students through remote instruction.

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### Zoom Yoga with Cecily Breeding

Friday, March 20 at 12 PM

Join Cecily Breeding in a restorative yoga session [instructed through Zoom](#).



As a yoga instructor, Breeding believes in the importance of taking care of your physical and mental health during challenging times. Tune in wherever you are, and, don't worry, you don't have to hook up your video in Zoom if you don't want to.

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## Research at Pepperdine

Every day our community is engaging in research and scholarship across disciplines. Explore faculty stories and potential funding opportunities below.

### Seaver Newsroom



With recent cancellations of research events, stay up-to-date on the latest research publications and news stories on the [Seaver Newsroom](#).



## Internal Funding Opportunities

### Visiting Scholars Program

Faculty interested in bringing a leading scholar for a multi-day visit to lead seminars and more can apply for this program. Applications accepted on a rolling basis. [Learn More ▶](#)

### Diversity and Inclusive Excellence Grants

The Seaver dean's office seeks faculty member proposals for a new course that directly addresses diversity and/or cultural proficiency. Applications due March 23. [Learn More ▶](#)

### Inclusion Matters: Faculty Collaboration Grants

These grants from the SSC aid the development of new programs to promote academic success particularly for underserved students. Applications due April 3. [Learn More ▶](#)

### Alfalfa and Forage Research Program

Fund projects that lead to the use and expansion of alfalfa acreage through increased forage or seed yields, forage quality, and profitability. Applications due April 12. [Learn More ▶](#)

For additional research news and resources, visit [Research at Pepperdine](#).

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