RE: final exam schedule

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thank you for your message. Since I'm fairly new to UT Dallas, I'm not sure how our schedule evolved, but I have heard other students complain about an inadequate number of reading days between the end of class and the start of finals.

By copy to Executive Vice President Dr. Hobson Wildenthal and to the Speaker of the Faculty Dr. Murray Leaf, I bring your concerns to their attention, hoping it will inform future discussions about our schedule.

Thank you again for sharing your concerns with me.

Sincerely,

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From:

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Subject: final exam schedule

Hello Dr. Daniel,

I am writing in regards to the final exam schedule at UTD. I don't understand why the exam days are scheduled immediately following the last day of class. Most universities have a few reading days between the end of classes and final exams. Having reading days would have been extremely helpful in my, and I'm sure many students', preparation for exams. Some of my professors went over new material on Monday, and I have several exams on one day, as do many other students. Other students and professors have also expressed concern over the university's exam schedule, and they would prefer to allow the students a few days to study before exams begin. We have invested a semester in these classes and would appreciate the extra time to prepare for the final exam more greatly than finishing the semester a couple of days earlier. Please consider changing the final exam schedule in future semesters; I'm sure many students would appreciate it! I enjoy being a student here at UTD; thank you for your time.

Regards,