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Dear Colleagues,

Happy Friday! On behalf of FEC, I'm reaching out to you to follow up on the request to hold a faculty-only meeting. We have scheduled a **faculty-only meeting** for **December 9, Friday, from 2:30-3:30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Murray-Aikins**. Alternatively, you can join us **via Zoom** during that time (**Zoom ID: 929 0260 4009**).

One of the topics that has been repeatedly suggested in the survey FEC sent out after the October faculty meeting is for a discussion on **post-pandemic teaching**. We have collectively experienced the sudden transition from in-person teaching to virtual teaching in Spring 2020 and after a year of remote and hybrid teaching, we were back to in-person in Fall 2021. Between then and now, we have experienced different masking policies, witnessed increasing mental health issues among students, and sought to be inclusive and accommodating and at the same time holding students accountable. However, we, as faculty, have not had a chance to collectively reflect on those experiences. What is it like teaching in the classroom today? What are the challenges and opportunities in terms of supporting our students? How do we move forward – is there anything that is going to stay, no matter how the pandemic develops? Is there any institutional support that you would like to see in this process?

Please join us for a discussion and to celebrate our last day of class! Special thanks to Dean Orr for providing us with coffee and cookies! Please **[RSVP](#) by Dec. 5** so that we know how much food to order.

FEC understands that it is a particularly busy semester for many and would like to thank everyone for considering attending this meeting. We hope it is well worth your time and energy!

Warmly,

Xiaoshuo (chair), Jason, Oscar, and Dom