This is FINAL EXAM WEEK and your final Monday Memo for the Spring 2012 semester.

Please go here:  [http://www.ou.edu/enrollment/home/final_exams.html](http://www.ou.edu/enrollment/home/final_exams.html) for detailed information about Final Exam week at OU, and for a link to the spring 2012 Final Exam and remember to:

- **GET ENOUGH SLEEP:** staying up all night doesn’t work. Studying and then sleeping does.
- **FORCE YOURSELF TO TAKE STUDY BREAKS:** enjoy the gorgeous time-lapse images of Yosemite in this video during one of them:  [http://vimeo.com/40802206](http://vimeo.com/40802206)
- **STAY AWAY FROM SUGARY FOOD AND CAFFEINE.**
- **VISUALIZE THE EXAM GOING WELL.**
- **ARRIVE EARLY TO THE EXAM.**
- **BRING EXTRA PENS AND PENCILS.**
✓ WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOTHES.
✓ EAT SOMETHING (NUTRITIOUS) BEFORE YOU TAKE THE EXAM.
✓ MAINTAIN YOUR ACADEMIC INTEGRITY; do not even be tempted to cheat.

As A&GS Students, you are fortunate to have a fantastic study area:

THE NWC LIBRARY!

![Library Image]

New Study/Meeting Space
Just in time for end of semester studying and meetings, the NWC Library has opened a new meeting space with a table, chairs and whiteboard. It’s in the Archives Room to the left, past the current journals, and through the door. It’s available on a first come basis for any person or small group in the NWC. Because it is the Archives Room, it will be closed when the Library closes. Come and check it out!

Longer Hours
Starting next Monday, the Library will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, and 2 to 7 p.m. on Sunday through the end of finals. If you’re looking for a quiet place to study, the Library can offer you comfortable chairs, big tables, extra textbooks, whiteboards, a copier/printer – and the company of people just like you with lots to learn, the pressure of final exams, and little time remaining in the semester.

After Finals and Before You Leave
Please remember to return all Library materials before you leave in May.

CONVOCATION UPDATE
Don’t forget the A&GS Convocation rehearsal this Thursday, May 10th at 3:00 PM in Catlett Music Center. Attendance is strongly encouraged, but not mandatory. Rehearsal is expected to last about 75 minutes. You do not need to bring your cap & gown to rehearsal.

The University’s Commencement is this Friday, May 11th, at 7:00 PM in the Stadium. Go here: [http://www.ou.edu/content/commencement/home/graduation_event.html](http://www.ou.edu/content/commencement/home/graduation_event.html) for the Commencement Day Schedule. Only those students receiving a doctoral degree have their names announced at commencement.

The A&GS Convocation is this Saturday, May 12th, at 7:30 PM in Catlett Music Center. All students (undergraduate and graduate) have their names announced at convocation. **Degree candidates should plan to arrive by 6:30 PM to check in and get ready.**

Although neither Commencement or Convocation is mandatory, we strongly encourage you to attend both events.

If you haven’t sent in an RSVP for the A&GS Convocation and Reception yet, please do so immediately! Send an e-mail to Asst. Dean Mary Anne Hempe at mahempe@ou.edu to let me know if you’ll be attending these events and if so, how many guests you’ll be bringing. Please let me know either way by 5:00 PM TODAY (5/7). **Your response is very important in planning these two large events and making sure they both run smoothly.**

If anyone in your party requires special seating or assistance, please contact the Dean's Office at 325-3095 to let us know by Wednesday, May 9.

**Please note:**

If you are a spring 2012 BA or BS graduate, you will receive your diploma sometime in August. Your name **will** be listed in the University's 2011-2012 official commencement program and in the A&GS convocation program. If you require proof that you have completed your **undergraduate** degree before the end of June, 2012, please contact the A&GS Dean’s Office at (405) 325-3095 first.

If you are a summer 2012 BA or BS graduate, you will receive your diploma sometime in October. Your name **will not** be listed in the University’s 2011-2012 official commencement program; it will be listed in
the 2012-2013 program. However, your name will be listed in the spring 2012 A&GS convocation. If you require proof that you have completed your undergraduate degree before the end of September, 2012, please contact the A&GS Dean’s Office at (405) 325-3095 first.

**USHERS STILL NEEDED FOR CONVOCATION**

We need at least three more ushers for the annual College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences Convocation on Saturday, May 12th in Catlett Music Center. Catlett holds over 1,000 people and we're expecting a full house. Ushers need to be there from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM, and are invited to attend the reception at the Kerr-McGee Club afterwards. Please call 325-3095 or contact Assistant Dean Hempe at mahempe@ou.edu if you're interested in helping out at the College’s biggest event of the year!

NEED AN UPPER DIVISION NON-WESTERN CULTURE CLASS?
MUNM 3213 (sec. 851), an online version of Native American Music, was recently added to the list of courses offered this May Intersession. This course will fulfill an upper-division General Education Non-Western Culture course. For more information, visit the Intersession website here:  http://www.ou.edu/outreachceap/intersession_home.html

OU’s Student Learning Center, a department of University College, offers free, walk-in seminars to help students hone college success skills.

**This week’s schedule:**

There are no seminars this week; seminars will resume fall 2012.

The Housing Learning Center is located at Adams Residence, Muldrow Tower 105.

And don’t forget OU’s excellent tutoring resources! For more information, go here:  http://www.ou.edu/graduatesooner/home/resources/tutoring.html

The School of Meteorology Help Desk is also available in NWC 5700 during the following hours this spring:

- **Sunday:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **Monday:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **Tuesday:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **Wednesday:** 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
- **Thursday:** 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

**On this Day in History:**

In 1660, Isaack B. Fubine of Savoy, in The Hague, patented macaroni.
In 1824, Beethoven’s 9th (Chorale) Symphony, premiered in Vienna.
In 1840, a mile-wide tornado ripped through Natchez, MS, killing 317 people. It was the worst tornado to hit the US before the Weather Bureau was established.

In 1847, the American Medical Association (AMA) was established in Philadelphia, PA.

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In 1914, the US Congress established Mother’s Day.

In 1915, the Lusitania, a civilian ship, was sunk by a German submarine off the southern coast of Ireland; 1198 people died.

In 1934, the world’s largest pearl (6.4 kg; a little over 14 pounds) was discovered in the Philippines.

In 1940, Winston Churchill became Prime Minister of England.

In 1992, the space shuttle *Endeavour* blasted off on its maiden voyage. The *Endeavour* launch, as the $2 billion replacement for the *Challenger*, was the 47th shuttle mission. While capturing and correcting the orbit of a satellite, the astronauts set new U.S. records for duration of spacewalk and the number of astronauts outside the craft.

In 1995, a tornado hit Ardmore, OK, killing three people and causing major damage to the Uniroyal plant. The twister was on ground for over an hour, and whipped up over $100 million in damage.

And your **Parting Shot:**
A new meteorological model has allowed people to find and capture an incredibly rare visual phenomenon – a tertiary, or triple, rainbow. And just recently, the method has allowed an amateur storm chaser in Germany to take it one step further and capture an even more exceptional event – a quadruple (quaternary) rainbow (above).
The Fall 2012 semester begins on Monday, August 20; you will receive your first Monday Memo of the fall 2012 semester the week before that, on Monday August 13. Remember, the A&GS Dean's Office is open all summer long! (405.325-3095).

Have a fantastic SUMMER!

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