

PAA TIP OF THE WEEK

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PREPARING FOR READING PERIOD AND DEAN'S DATE!

Hey Forbes,

I hope everyone is having a great winter break. I'm sure you know it's important to relax and unwind during this holiday season, however, because of Princeton's unique academic calendar this break is not totally without work as we have finals when we get back. I won't tell you how to spend your break but here are some things to keep in mind when planning ahead for the official end of term:

- **All coursework for the Fall 2018 term is due on a very important date here known as DEAN'S DATE! This year it falls on Tuesday, January 15th.** If you want to keep track of the date, feel free to use this handy reminder: <http://isitdeansdate.com/>. Dean's Date is a serious deadline at Princeton and extensions are rarely given, so please plan ahead!
- If you are feeling like being productive during your winter break, I highly recommend **gathering notes, catching up on those missed readings and starting to outline ideas about your final papers.** Although it is break, your reading period will be a much more relaxed and stress-free time if you start with some work now.
- In addition, if you begin now you will already be able to schedule those sought-after **Writing Center appointments** to guarantee your final papers are as good as they can be. Check out the Writing Center resources here: <https://writing.princeton.edu/center>.
- Don't be afraid to capitalize on your **professors' office hours** during reading period and leading up to Dean's Date. They aren't teaching, they aren't grading, so they are typically more available than ever to help you!!
- Planning ahead can minimize anxiety so check out **McGraw's Tips** at <https://mcgraw.princeton.edu/what-can-i-do-now-deans-date> and review **Dr. Andrews' Dean's Date email sent on 12/12/18!** **GOOD LUCK FORBESIANS!**

For additional academic support, check in with your PAAs
or have a chat with Dr. Andrews

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