With the Fall 2020 semester in the rearview mirror, we are anticipating a restful holiday season before classes resume in the new year. It seems like lately there is never a dull moment, so with this newsletter we try to convey just a snapshot of the department’s recent accomplishments.

The August 2020 graduates. The chance to personally recognize all our graduates during commencement is the best part of what we do in higher education. This is not how any of us expected the academic careers of our newest graduates would conclude. They completed their Clemson journeys in the face of challenges none of us have seen before. I am incredibly proud of their hard work and accomplishments.

Over the past year, we have adapted our instruction to match the needs of students and instructors who are in the classroom, at home, or a combination of both. Everyone in the Department has been working on ways to maximize our ability to educate our students, generate high quality, scholarly work, and support the Clemson community throughout this global pandemic.

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Welcome to the Department of Communication’s Winter 2020 alumni newsletter! We hope you enjoy the Winter 2020 issue of our alumni newsletter. If you have questions, concerns, suggestions, or if you just want to chat, please don’t hesitate to contact me. We are thrilled about what we are doing and even more excited about our future.

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