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1. **Motion presenter:** Faculty Senator, Charles Vannette

2. **Dates of Faculty Senate Discussion:** 09/27/21, 10/18/21, 11/1/21

3. **Rationale:** UNH no longer follows the color-coded system for Covid-19 status, upon which Senate Motion XXV-M18 relies. However, the Covid-19 pandemic continues, and a small number of courses not normally approved for online instruction have been scheduled for Spring 2022. Departments have already searched out staffing for these scheduled courses, and the Spring 2022 schedule has already been published online. Furthermore, the Senate does not yet have reports from Discovery, Honors, or the Writing Program regarding the permanent lifting of all online teaching restrictions outlined in Senate Motion XXV-M18. Therefore, there is a pressing, practical need to extend the provisions of Senate Motion XXV-M18 through Spring 2022 and, given the upcoming deadlines for summer course planning, Motion XXV-M18 is also extended through Summer 2022.

4. **Motion:** The Faculty Senate extends the suspension of all rules related to online courses for Inquiry 444s, Inquiry Labs, Discovery Labs, Honors courses, and Writing Intensive Courses through Summer semester 2022.

5. **Senate action:** The motion was put to a vote on November 1. The motion passed with 61 in favor, none opposed, and 1 abstention.

6. **Senate chair’s signature:**

   [Signature]

   Kevin Healey

An unsigned copy of this motion was forwarded to the following on November 4:

President James Dean
Wayne Jones, Provost
Kate Ziemer, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
Andy Colby, Registrar
All deans and department chairs