MAY 17
Summer session
2 classes begin in person.

MAY 28
U.S. becomes the nation with the highest number of confirmed COVID-19 cases.

JUN 10
U.S. cases reach 2 million.

JUL 16
Spring and summer commencements are pushed to fall.

ENDLESS SPINNING Matisse Rainbolt expresses her Mexican heritage through dance on TikTok. Her highest viewed video under her account @matisseazul has more than 800,000 views.
The summer of 2020 was full of unexpected changes, to say the least. Despite canceled summer plans, CBU students share how they kept themselves busy with new pandemic hobbies.

Matisse Rainbolt
Junior psychology major

What were some unexpected highlights of your summer?

“I posted videos sharing my culture and dance on TikTok, and they blew up! I love how I was able to make new friends in different countries and states through social media. It made summer a lot more fun than I could have expected.”

Russel Barlow
Junior international business major

What’s a skill you worked on over the summer?

“I did a lot of violin practicing. I wasn’t able to go back home to Hong Kong, so I stayed with a professor and friend. Many plans got canceled, but it was still fun. One night, me and my professor stayed up playing our instruments from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m.”

Celine Ong
Sophomore instrumental performance major

Who did you spend your lockdown with?

“Social distancing meant I wasn’t able to hang out with my friends. I ended up hanging out with my family a lot more. Even though I couldn’t get out as much, I was really glad for the time to strengthen my time at home.”

JUL 22
California surpasses New York as the state with most COVID-19 cases.

JUL 30
CBU announces move to virtual instruction for the Fall 2020 semester. Housing is reopened.

AUG 28
Newsom reveals new four stage color-coded plan to reopen California counties.

AUG 31
Fall semester begins.