ACADEMIC COURSE SCHEDULING UPDATE MEETING

SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

10:30 A.M.

SPROUL HALL-ROOM 1102

AGENDA ACADEMIC COURSE SCHEDULING UPDATE MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

| 10:30 a.m. | I. Brief Update on Course Scheduling Workgroup Report |
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| | II. Role of Course Scheduling Committee-CSC (Recommendations Two and Eight) |
| 10:45 a.m. | III. Planned Change for Spring 2019 |
| | A. Sections Assigned to GE Classrooms in Hold Status (Recommendation Six) |
| | IV. Planned Changes for Fall 2019 |
| | I. Clock Hour Change (Recommendation One) |
| | 2. Prime-Time/Compliance (Recommendation Three) |
| | 3. Meeting Patterns (Recommendation Four) |
| | 4. Priority Scheduling (Recommendation Five) |
| | Priority Level I |
| | Priority Level 2 (Exceptions) |
| 11:15 a.m. | Other Recommendations (Recommendation Seven) |
| 11:30 a.m. | Questions? |

UPDATE ON COURSE SCHEDULING WORKGROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

 Update on Course Scheduling Workgroup Report and the Role of the Course Scheduling Committee (CSC) – Ken Baerenklau

WHAT'S NEW AND DIFFERENT-PLANNED CHANGE FOR SPRING 2019 SECTIONS ASSIGNED TO GE CLASSROOMS IN HOLD STATUS

 Effective Spring 2019, a section in department hold ("H") status may retain an assigned general assignment (GE) classroom until 2 weeks prior to the first day of instruction for a quarter. If a section has not been placed into active status by that time, the GE classroom will be unassigned. Should the department wish to open this section in the future and utilize a GE classroom, they must first check classroom availability with the Office of the Registrar/Academic Scheduling.

WHAT'S NEW AND DIFFERENT-PLANNED CHANGE FOR SPRING 2019 SECTIONS ASSIGNED TO GE CLASSROOMS IN HOLD STATUS

- Purpose of policy: to ensure Academic Scheduling has as "healthy" a GE classroom pool as possible to accommodate the numerous room change requests received prior to the start of a new quarter by faculty and staff from multiple academic departments.
 - <u>Spring 2019</u>
 - First day of instruction: Monday, April 1, 2019
 - If a section with a GE classroom is in Hold status as of 4:00 PM Monday, March 18, 2019 -Academic Scheduling will release that classroom
 - For Spring 2019 only reminders of this new policy will be communicated to department schedulers (using our scheduling distribution e-mail list) as follows:
 - Spring 2019 "Call" to be sent around <u>Thursday, November 8, 2018</u>
 - An e-mail to be sent on the online SOC publication date (<u>Thursday, January 31, 2019</u>)
 - One more e-mail to be sent on or around <u>Tuesday, March 12, 2019</u> (five business days before the two-week deadline date)

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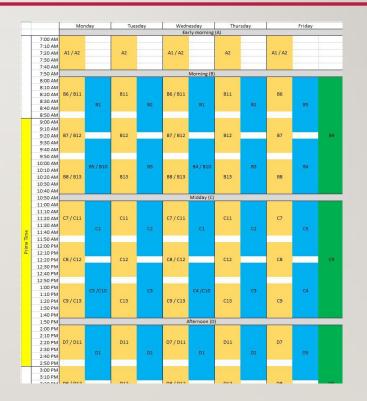
- Fall 2019 forward
 - One e-mail reminder to be sent five business days before the two-week deadline date
 - Fall 2019
 - First day of instruction: Thursday, September 26, 2019
 - GE rooms removed from sections in Hold status: as of 4:00 PM Thursday, September 12, 2019
 - Reminder e-mail to be sent: Friday, September 6, 2019

- Clock Hour Change
 - Effective Fall 2019, classes will start on the hour and half-hour ex. 0800-0850, 09:30-1050
 - Class end times include 10 minutes of passing time
 - Village Time will include clock hour change
- Purpose of Policy:
 - Aligns UCR class schedules with administrative schedules, event schedules and employment schedules
 - Allows faculty and students 10 minutes of passing time to administrative meetings/classes
- A campus communication plan will be implemented to ensure advance notification of the clock hour change
 - To begin end of Winter/Start of Spring 2019

- Prime-Time/Compliance
 - Prime-Time hours- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (Remains unchanged)
 - 50% of Primary Activities may be scheduled during prime time hours
 - 60% of Secondary Activities may be scheduled during prime-time hours
- Changes:
 - Tues/Thurs meeting pattern no longer limited to 40% prime time hour restriction
 - More Two-Day Meeting Pattern Flexibility
 - Implementation of the CSC and their regular review of courses scheduled in Prime-Time
- Purpose of Policy:
 - Due to demand of prime time hour requests, limits must be imposed for equity

Meeting Patterns

- Each scheduling request for a primary activity should use a standard meeting pattern unless the CSC has approved a request for an alternative pattern, otherwise the activity will receive lowest scheduling priority among primary activities.
- Purpose of Policy:
 - Compared to the current policy, there is a much greater variety of standard meeting patterns and many more two-day per week meeting patterns to meet demand expressed by both students and faculty, while still allowing for maximum utilization (no unscheduled time blocks) between 8am and 8pm.



Priority Scheduling

- 5 levels of scheduling priority for sections
- Includes primary and secondary activities

Purpose of Policy

 Creates a framework for campus scheduling priorities while allowing for necessary exceptions as determined by the CSC.



Priority Scheduling

Ist Priority:

Primary Activities determined by the CSC and Provost to be of significant importance for student progress to degree across multiple majors

- Scheduled by the CSC in standard meeting patterns that rarely change from year-to-year
- Do not count against individual departmental prime time allocations
- Secondary activities associated with 1st level primary activities also have 1st level scheduling priority

<u>2nd Priority:</u> Approved Exceptions

- Includes primary activities with approval from the CSC and Provost to use non-standard meeting patterns.
- Counted in a department's Prime/Non-Prime totals prime time allocations.
- The CSC will regularly review the list of courses with 2nd - level priority, and their meeting patterns, and recommend changes. This includes current agreements previously approved and known as "Pre-Assigned Agreements for GE Classrooms"

<u>3rd Priority:</u> Standard Primary Activity Sections

- Sections in this category utilize a standard meeting pattern
- Counted in a department's
 Prime/Non-Prime totals
- The majority of primary activity sections will be scheduled via the Optimizer in this phase

Priority Scheduling

<u>4th Priority:</u> Non-Standard Primary Activity Sections without CSC Approval

<u>5th Priority:</u> Secondary Activities

- Sections in this category utilize a non-standard meeting pattern that was not approved by the CSC
- Counted in a department's
 Prime/Non-Prime totals
- Scheduled after all other primary activity sections, if space allows

- Secondary activities are scheduled after primary activities
- Counted in a department's Prime/Non-Prime totals

QUESTIONS?