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BUDGET AND ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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Recommends that the attached academic calendars for AY 2018-19 and AY 2019-20 be adopted.

RATIONALE

Summary:

The attached calendars for the next two academic years propose Fall and Spring terms as currently configured (15 instructional weeks, plus one exam week), and maintain the summer schedule as currently configured (one 4-week Intersession, two 5-week summer terms, and one concurrent 12-week summer term). For the sake of brevity, only the AY 2018-19 calendar dates will be referenced in this summary and rationale. The AY 2019-20 calendar dates follow a similar format.

- The Fall Term begins August 20, 2018 (first day of classes).
- The Fall Term ends on December 7, 2018 (last day of classes) and the last day of exams is December 14.
- Winter Commencement is December 15, 2018.
- Final grades are due at noon on December 17, 2018.
- University is closed Monday, December 24, 2018 – Wednesday, January 2, 2019.
- The University reopens on Thursday, January 3, 2019.
- The Spring Term begins January 14, 2019 (first day of classes).
- The Spring Term ends on May 3, 2019 (last day of classes) and the last day of exams is May 10.
- Spring Commencement is May 11, 2019.
- Final grades are due on May 14, 2019.

Rationale:

The general pattern of the current calendar is maintained in the proposed calendar. This model ensures consistency of student experience across both semesters.

The proposed calendar provides 4-1/2 days of processing time for grades and letters of suspension/probation following the submission of final grades in the Fall term. This is one day longer than the time provided in the current calendar.

Winter break is one day longer in the proposed calendars because the list of official state holidays for 2018-2020 include two half-day holidays (Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, respectively) in years when Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday.

FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:

APPROVED BY THE
FACULTY SENATE:



DATE: Nov 16, 2017

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FACULTY SENATE:

DATE: _____

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

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COMMENTS: typo noted on p. 17 of calendar distributed to Senators

