UF Term Assembly (Block) Exams

For December 12, 2012 Meeting

CURRENT UF POLICY:

http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/currents/finalexams.html

Policies for all Terms

During-Term Assembly Examinations

Exams may be held Monday – Friday from 7:00 p.m. – 9:45 p.m. (periods E1-E2) for the summer terms and Monday – Friday from 8:20 p.m. – 10:10 p.m. (periods E2-E3) for the fall and spring terms.

If other classes are scheduled during an exam time, instructors must provide make-up class work for students who miss class because of an assembly exam.

Exam Conflicts

If two exams are scheduled at the same time, assembly exams take priority over time-of-class exams. When two assembly exams or two time-of-class exams conflict, the higher course number takes priority. Instructors giving make-up exams will make the necessary adjustments.

APC APRIL 9 MEETING NOTES:

Block Exam Policy

Cynthia presented a request from Dr. William Logan in the English Department to reconsider the university's block exam policy. Block exams are usually given in the evening many times at the same time as evening classes. Scott Nygren, Faculty Senate Chair, asked the APC to review Dr. Logan's proposal. The council wondered whether there really is a problem because council members have not heard complaints. How many courses are affected by this? Currently, students have an option to take a block exam make-up. However, students are choosing to take the exam instead of attending class. APC will request more information from Dr. Logan.

FROM APC END OF YEAR REPORT:

Policy on course schedule conflict with block exams – The APC addressed a faculty member's request to review the UF policy on block exams to determine if a recommendation was needed to resolved perceived conflicts between evening course schedules and evening exams for large online courses. The Council found no concern with the stated policy on course-exam conflicts, but recommended that policy in place be better communicated to faculty so that they can manage individual student conflicts more effectively.