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To: **Okanagan Senate**

From: **Learning and Research Committee**

Subject: **UBC Okanagan Scheduling Guidelines (approval)**

Context for Review

An outcome of the Academic Plan was a request from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor to Enrolment Services to review the way in which academic classes were scheduled and to implement a model that moved toward "optimal use of infrastructure". This intended to incorporate an open time in the schedule when special events and meeting could be made available to the entire campus community. The result from the review of the traditional pattern and consultations with students and faculty was the "Class Scheduling for University Time" report; the recommendation to adopt a new scheduling pattern that offered a greater proportion of 1.5 hour class meeting times and a common open period on Wednesday afternoon was accepted by the DVC Executive Committee, which was adopted for the Winter 2006 session. Associate Registrar Fred Vogt outlined that Enrolment Services undertook a scheduling pattern review in the Fall of 2006 at the request of the Policies and Procedures Committee. There is no perfect class scheduling pattern although the significant improvement in conformation to the new pattern is a strong indication that it is a better model for UBC Okanagan than the previous pattern. Therefore, it is strongly recommended by Enrolment Services that no additional changes be made to the class scheduling pattern. The scheduling guidelines that apply within the scheduling pattern require Senate approval, which have already been endorsed by the UBC Okanagan Academic Council.

Motion:

That the UBC Okanagan Scheduling Guidelines be approved.