



**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Executive Committee of Faculty Council (November 3, 2016)  
 Faculty Council (December 1, 2016)

**From:** Associate Professor Evan Bentz  
 Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

**Date:** November 3, 2016

**Re: Proposed Session Dates for the 2017-2018 Academic Year**

**REPORT CLASSIFICATION**

This is a major policy matter that will be considered by the Executive Committee for endorsing and forwarding to Faculty Council for vote as a regular motion (requiring a simple majority of members present and voting to carry).

**BACKGROUND**

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee is responsible for determining the session dates through consultation with the Colleges and Residences, as well as with the University holiday schedule. The curriculum model requires 12.8 weeks of term.

**STRUCTURE**

**Proposed APSC Session Dates for 2017-2018**

	<b>APSC</b>
First day of fall classes	Thursday Sept 7
Thanksgiving	Monday Oct 9
Last day of fall classes	Wednesday Dec 6
Exam Study Day	Thursday Dec 7
Fall exams start*	Friday Dec 8
Fall exams end	Wednesday Dec 20
Number of instructional days	64 days/12.8 weeks

First day of winter classes	Monday Jan 8
Reading Week	February 19-23
Good Friday	Friday March 30
Last day of winter classes	Friday April 13
Winter study day	Monday April 16
Winter exams start	Tuesday April 17
Winter exams end	Monday April 30
Number of instructional days	64 days/12.8 weeks

Note that this schedule will require Saturday exams in the Fall of 2017

### **Proposed APSC Session Dates for Summer 2017**

#### May/June Term

Classes start May 2, 2017

Classes end June 16, 2017

Exam period June 24-28, 2017

Total of 33 instructional days (equivalent to a 13.2 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

#### July/August Term

Classes start July 4, 2017

Classes end August 18, 2017

Exam period August 21-25, 2017

Total of 33 instruction days (equivalent to 13.2 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

### **Tentative Session Dates for Summer 2018**

#### May/June Term

Classes start May 7, 2018

Classes end June 22, 2018

Exam period June 25-29, 2018

Total of 34 instruction days (equivalent to a 13.6 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

#### July/August Term

Classes start July 3, 2018

Classes end August 17, 2018

Exam period August 20-24, 2018

Total of 33 instruction days (equivalent to a 13.2 week term, as courses will meet twice per week)

## **PROCESS**

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee is composed of representatives from each program; the Vice-Dean, Undergraduate Studies; the Chair, First Year; the Associate Dean, Cross-Disciplinary Programs; and the Registrar's Office. The Committee meets regularly, and reviews changes to the curriculum.

## **PROGRAM**

All programs are involved in these changes, and the impact on students in the various programs has been considered.

## **PROPOSAL/MOTION**

THAT the proposed session dates for the 2017-2018 academic year be approved.