

Faculty Senate Resolution 12–6

Scheduling of Classes Monday

through Thursday

Introduced at the request of Professor Fereydoun Aghazadeh

Whereas, classes at LSU are scheduled to meet five days a week;

Whereas, classes at many institutions such as Southeastern Louisiana University, Southern University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette (4.5 days), and diverse departments within LSU such as Business Administration, Finance, Horticulture, and Construction Management have a 4-day class schedule;

Whereas, considering that MWF classes meet for 150 minutes per week and TT classes meet for 160 minutes per week, and each class period may require up to 5 minutes of setup time, 15 minutes for MWF versus 10 minutes for TT;

Whereas, 15 minutes per week or 225 minutes per semester of extra teaching time per a 3-hour course would be gained by switching to a 4-day class system;

Whereas, switching to a 4-day teaching will allow the faculty to have a full day of uninterrupted research time and would reduce energy and facility use cost of unused class rooms;

Therefore, be it resolved that the LSU Faculty Senate appoint a task force to study the feasibility and implementation of a 4-day class system at LSU.