ACTION REQUEST: Approval of Academic Calendar for 2011-12

The following principles influence the academic calendar on the University of Michigan-Flint campus:

- Classes cannot begin before September 1

- The number of instruction days in the Fall Semester should be as close as possible to the number of instruction days in the Winter Semester. The same holds true for the Spring and Summer Terms. For the 2011-12 academic year, Fall Semester and Winter Semester have 67 and 69 instruction days, respectively, while Spring and Summer Terms each have 35.

- Classes begin on the day following Labor Day, treating the Wednesday before Thanksgiving as a holiday, and starting the Winter Semester on a Tuesday.

- The Winter Semester includes a one-week Spring Break, which coincides with Spring Break on the Ann Arbor campus, with the Winter Semester ending before the first week of May.

- Commencement exercises are held before the 20th of December for Fall and on the first weekend in May for Spring.

- The Summer Term ends before the summer recess, which will be at least one week long, but preferably two weeks before the beginning of the Fall Semester. The summer recess for 2011-12 will be at least 12 days long.

I request approval of the attached academic calendar for 2011-2012 for the University of Michigan-Flint. This calendar has been approved by the elected faculty committee charged with oversight of the academic calendar and by other faculty and administrative groups.

RECOMMENDED BY: Vahid Lotfi, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY: Ruth J. Person, Chancellor University of Michigan-Flint

November 2009
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN – FLINT
Academic Calendar
2011-2012

Fall Term 2011
Registration for continuing students opens
Registration for new students opens
Labor Day (Holiday)
Classes begin
Thanksgiving Recess
Classes resume
Classes end
Study day
Final examinations

Commencement
\[ M = 14, \ Tu = 14, W = 13, Th = 13, F = 13 \]

Winter Term 2012
Registration for continuing students opens
Registration for new students opens
Classes begin
Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday – no regular classes
Spring recess
Classes resume
Classes end
Study day
Final examinations

Commencement
\[ M = 13, \ Tu = 14, W = 14, Th = 14, F = 14 \]

Spring Term 2012
Registration for continuing students opens
Registration for new students opens
Classes begin
Memorial Day (Holiday)
Classes end
Study day
Final examinations
\[ M = 7, \ Tu = 7, W = 7, Th = 7, F = 7 \]

Summer Term 2012
Registration for continuing students opens
Registration for new students opens
Classes begin
Independence Day (Holiday)
Classes end
Study day
Final examinations
\[ M = 7, \ Tu = 7, W = 7, Th = 7, F = 7 \]

Total Instruction Days = 67
Total Instruction Days = 69
Total Instruction Days = 35
Total Instruction Days = 35

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