

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION
Item for Information**

Subject: Faculty Governance Update

In the interest of helping to address the issue of excessive drinking on campus, the resolution below was passed unanimously by SACUA on September 28, 2015. The resolution will also go before Senate Assembly at its next meeting on October 26, 2015.

As the faculty of the University of Michigan is committed to providing the University's students with a world-class education, it recognizes the need to provide that education in a safe and healthy environment.

And as the faculty of the University of Michigan recognizes that providing regular instruction for First and Second years students five days a week promotes a better and more secure learning environment, and it recognizes that Friday classes, especially Friday morning classes, reduce the incidence of alcohol abuse in university communities.

The Senate Assembly therefore strongly urges the Provost to promote and incentivize the regular teaching of large enrollment 100 and 200 level courses (defined as courses having ten or more sections) with a Friday meeting. It recommends that in cases where such classes have a lecture component, those classes will regularly have a lecture on Friday

SACUA also looks forward to collaborative efforts with the administration and student governance to further address this important issue.

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