

University Senate  
September 12, 2011

Request for Input on Language Intent (SR 5.2.4.7)

5.2.4.7 Final Examinations

**If a final examination is to be given, it will be administered during the examination period as scheduled by the Registrar for the semesters of the regular school year.**

These examination periods will utilize the last 5 days of each semester, and will be preceded by a study day or weekend on which no classes or examinations for weekday classes will be scheduled. Final examinations for weekend classes will be administered the weekend before this 5 day period and need not be preceded by a study day. [US: 4/9/01]

Final examinations, where appropriate, will be administered during the last class day of the summer session/term.

In cases of "Take Home" final examinations, students shall not be required to return the completed examination before the regularly scheduled examination period. [US: 4/28/86]

Final examinations may be given at times other than the regularly scheduled time in the following....

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**NOTE:** At the Senate Council meeting on Monday, August 22, and again on August 29, the Senate Council interpreted the intent of the language above as follows:

The final exam is a two-hour exam unless indicated otherwise in the syllabus, and must fall within the time allotted by the Registrar.

***Recommendation: that the University Senate approve the interpretation as rendered by the Senate Council, effective immediately, and direct the Senate's Rules and Elections Committee (SREC) to insert the appropriate language interpretation into the Senate Rules.***