

Draft Resolution on Pandemic-Impacted Enrollment Data

Background: the below draft resolution is based on a discussion of enrollment data during the September 8, 2022 Academic Senate meeting, agenda item 7.11.

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Whereas, the COVID situation has yet to find its final equilibrium;

Whereas, the absence of this equilibrium results in enrollment barriers for face-to-face (F2F) students (in the form of testing, shots, masks, and distancing) that online students do not face, and that ongoing changes to these policies, such as removing Covid-19 vaccine requirements, may further impact future enrollments in F2F classes;

Whereas, the results of these barriers effectively skew enrollments toward online modalities;

Whereas, these skewed enrollments could be used for scheduling and planning purposes;

Resolved, It should be noted that making planning decisions and basing course offerings and modality offerings on data that is transitory is extremely problematic, risky and potentially resulting in an outcome that is inconsistent with the best interests of the students.