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UNH FACULTY SENATE  
MOTION # XXV-M22  
to continue Motion M12 on Student Evaluations of Teaching  
for Summer and Fall 2021

1. **Motion presenter:** Tom Haines, on behalf of the Academic Program Committee
2. **Dates of Faculty Senate Discussion:** 04/12/21, 05/03/21
3. **Rationale:** Course modalities and teaching environments remain in flux as we enter this second year of the COVID19 pandemic. In Fall 2020, the Faculty Senate approved by a vote of 52-1 a temporary system for student evaluations of teaching that more accurately serves the goals of assessing and improving teaching during these uncertain conditions. Academic technology and others in the University have worked hard to implement this new system fully for Spring 2021. Meanwhile, a newly appointed Ad Hoc Teaching Evaluation Committee aims to propose a new system for the assessment of teaching to be ready for Spring 2022. In the interim, therefore, it is wise to continue the use of the temporary system in Summer and Fall 2021 and until the Ad Hoc Committee creates the new protocol for the assessment of teaching
4. **Motion:** Given the ongoing COVID pandemic and its impact on course offerings and teaching environments, the Faculty Senate moves to continue Motion XXV-M12 (passed 11/2/20) for Summer and Fall 2021 and until the Senate passes a new course survey protocol, following the recommendations of the newly created Ad Hoc Teaching Evaluation Committee. The Senate also moves to continue the use of specific survey questions outlined in Motion XXV-M14 (passed on 11/16/20).

**The effect of this continuation is that the Senate-approved survey questions (from Motion XXVM14) will be automatically used in the Blue Teaching Evaluation system, as is the case for the Spring 2021 evaluations, for all courses until a new course survey protocol is approved. Faculty who wish to also gather feedback using the pre-2020 Student Evaluation of Teaching questions may independently administer their own survey with these pre-2020 questions.**

5. **Senate Action:** The motion was put to a vote on May 3. The motion passed with 49 in favor, 10 opposed, and 4 abstentions.



6. **Senate chair's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Hiley Sharp

Forwarded to the following on August 24, 2021:

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