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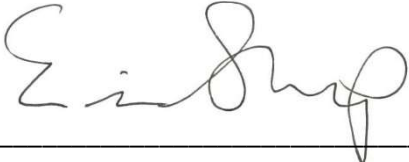
**UNH FACULTY SENATE MOTION # XXV – M11**  
**on adjusting Common Exam Time for Spring 2021**

1. Motion presenter: Joe Dwyer, on behalf of the Academic Affairs Committee
2. Dates of Faculty Senate Discussion: 10/19/20
3. **Rationale:** UNH is planning to provide face-to-face education to students in Spring 2021 with the highest priority given to the health and safety of all students, faculty, and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic. These plans require following social distancing recommendations that continue to be in flux. Therefore, more classroom space is needed to schedule courses that offer the greatest opportunity for face-to-face instruction while protecting the health and safety of faculty, staff, and students. Allowing the common exam times to continue as was done in Fall 2020 would free up about a significant number of classrooms during prime learning hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The motion only addresses the Spring 2021 semester. This motion for Spring 2021 common exam time would result in the same common exam time that was approved by the Senate's Agenda Committee in June 2020, Motion # XXV-M1 on changing Common Exam Time for Fall 2020.
4. **Motion: The Faculty Senate approves for the Spring 2021 Semester that weekly Common Exam Times continue as they have been in the Fall 2020 semester as:**

**Tuesday 7:00 – 10:00 pm**  
**Friday 2:00 – 5:00 pm**

**The Faculty Senate calls upon the Deans to convene a meeting soon of department chairs and administrators to explain the change and its consequences and to adjudicate such questions as to how departments will schedule exams within this new time frame.**

5. **Senate Action: The motion was put to a vote on October 19, 2020. The motion passed with 43 in favor, 3 opposed, and 14 abstentions.**

6. Senate chair's signature:  \_\_\_\_\_

Forwarded to the following on November 4, 2020

President James Dean  
Wayne Jones, Provost  
Kate Ziemer, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs  
Andy Colby, Registrar  
All deans and associate deans  
All department chairs