

UNH FACULTY SENATE  
MOTION # XIX-M7

on moving evening common exam time

1. Motion presenter: Rudi Seitz, Chemistry Department
2. Dates of Faculty Senate discussion: 11/3/2014, 11/17/2014
3. **Motion: I move that the evening common exam time be moved, as soon as the registrar deems it feasible, from Thursday evening, 7:00 to 9:00 PM, to Tuesday evening, 6:00 to 9:00 PM or 7:00 to 10:00 PM if the registrar deems it feasible, no later than the 2016-17 academic year while Hamilton Smith Hall is renovated and the afternoon common exam times are on Friday afternoons from 2:00 to 5:00.**

4. Rationale: Recently, the Senate voted to approve moving the common exam times from Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:40 to 2:00 PM, to Friday afternoons. The Thursday evening common exam time was not changed or even discussed by the Senate. What this means is that all three common exam times occur within one 24 hour period. This means that it is very likely that many students will have two or even three hour exams within one 24 hour period. If we move the Thursday evening common exam time to Tuesday evening, then it is possible for two major courses to offer exams during common exam periods in the same week with a two day interval in between which will allow students time to adequately prepare for both exams.

From a scheduling point of view, any course that is offered on Tuesday evening could be shifted to Thursday evening for just this two year period.

5. **Senate action: Motion passed with 33 votes in favor, none opposed, and 5 abstentions.**

6. Senate chair's signature: Albert B. Marano

Forwarded to: President Mark Huddleston, on January 29, 2014

Provost Lisa MacFarlane, on January 29, 2014

P.T. Vasudevan, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, on January 29, 2014

All college deans, on January 29, 2014

All department chairs, on January 29, 2014