

Summer Budget Model Resolution, 11/14/19

1. Whereas: Summer courses support recruitment, retention, and completion and are required for several graduate professional programs for which lower class size is mandated by accreditation; and
2. Whereas: Proposed summer instructional funding for Colleges and Units of \$100 per student credit hour on the Mountain Campus and \$75 per student credit hour at Missoula College; and
3. Whereas: This model disincentivizes Units because they may actually lose or only sustain funding, and/or discourages faculty since they may be pressured to teach summer at reduced compensation; and
4. Whereas: The summer budget model must enable Units to work dynamically and flexibly to sustain a mix of large and small classes as needed; and
5. Whereas: There is no evidence that suggests that there is a market for large summer class sizes or that they will increase recruitment to UM for academic year;
6. Whereas: This summer budget model was not considered with the overall academic - funding budget plan or in consideration of revisions to the academic calendar that may include winter session.

Let it be resolved that the Faculty Senate urges the administration to reevaluate the proposed summer budget model to include a return-on-investment.