LSU A&M Faculty Senate Resolution 17-01

Return of Fall, Spring and Summer Course Designations to the Catalog

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Whereas all catalogs prior to 2012 listed all courses with fall, spring and summer designations for when courses were offered; and

Whereas students and advisors rely on the catalog for information on courses; and

Whereas students do not always meet with advisors prior to scheduling; and

Whereas students cannot always follow an eight semester path plan exactly due to changes in majors and time of entry into the new major; and

Whereas students who take the incorrect course sequence will likely have a delay in their graduation; and

Whereas the university publishes the catalog online so that course changes can now be easily and timely placed into the catalog in the online system; and

Whereas the scheduling of courses in various semesters is at the discretion of academic units and is not a factor that affects what is taught in the course;

Be it resolved that the LSU A&M Faculty Senate requests that academic units that desire to add semester offering designation into the catalog be given authority to do so starting with the 2017 to 2018 school year and thereafter during the catalog change request regular period at the beginning of each annual year.

Be it further resolved that the approval of addition of or change in semester offering designations in the course catalog be removed from the duties of the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee.