



A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO A THREE-DAY PER WEEK CLASS SCHEDULE

*Respectfully submitted to the Board of Directors of California State University, Los Angeles, Associated Students, Incorporated
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The Associated Students, Incorporated (A.S.I.), the single recognized voice for nearly 27,000 students at California State University, Los Angeles, was engaged by our constituents and asked to study the impact of a three-day per week class schedule.

WHEREAS, many students and faculty are not in support of the change from a predominantly two-day per week to a three-day per week model and have asked the University to perform a more thorough analysis of scheduling needs and the impact of the proposed changes; and

WHEREAS, many students are employed and need the flexibility of two-day a week class schedule that allows them to work part time; and

WHEREAS, the severity of the parking situation, in combination with the University being a commuter campus, creates an impractical scenario wherein students spend more time in transit and parking than in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, the majority of classes offered at neighboring CSUs are aligned with the University's existing Monday through Thursday framework (CSU Northridge, CSU Monterey Bay, CSU Long Beach, etc.); and

WHEREAS, the University space audit revealed inefficiencies regarding optimizing room size for enrolled students and found that most of the University's space is miscoded in the CSU database system for facility usage; and

WHEREAS, the University's low utilization rates make it noncompetitive for new buildings and facilities; and

WHEREAS, Ad Astra, the classroom-space allocation software program, does not have the ability to make classroom assignments based on multiple criteria related to course needs (e.g. projector requirements); let it be

RESOLVED, that the A.S.I. Board of Directors hereby:

Strongly urges the University to more efficiently allocate space, minimize traffic and pollution, and increase online and hybrid class offerings in effort to create a more environmentally friendly and logistically sound campus.



Asks that, before resorting to drastic scheduling changes, the University focus on using its space more wisely and commit to finding a solution to the class scheduling Ad Astra platform problems.

Recommends that the University hire temporary employees to remedy the facility coding issues within the CSU database and launch a student competition to build a better classroom-space allocation software program.

Finds that the University has failed to provide sufficient evidence in making the case for a change to a three-day per week framework.

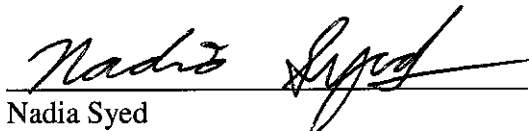
Will distribute copies of this resolution widely, including, but not limited to, the CSU Board of Trustees, the CSU Chancellor Timothy P. White, the California State Student Association, the California Faculty Association, the Cal State LA Campus President Dr. William A. Covino, the Cal State LA Academic Senate, and the Cal State LA University Times.



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