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Reinforcement of Common Hour Amongst Commonwealths

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- Whereas,** *The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments (CCSG) represents the concerns of the students attending the campus in matters of a University-wide nature, as well as those issues impacting the combined interests of the campuses, and...*
- Whereas,** The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments recognizes common hour as a time slot allotted at each Commonwealth campuses’ discretion to be set aside for students, staff, and faculty alike to participate in out-of-classroom activities and,
- Whereas,** The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments recognizes that had it not been for the fostering of common hour that clubs, organizations, activities, events, etc. would see larger complications in creating meeting times and,
- Whereas,** The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments recognizes that the productivity within these conflicting topics would be negligible compared to having the pre-established allotted time and,
- Whereas,** The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments acknowledges and supports that claim that “whereas stress has been linked to poorer academic, motivational, social, physical, and emotional outcomes in first-year students, social support has been conversely associated with better adjustment in both

quantitative and qualitative studies with students across disciplines (e.g., psychology, engineering, nursing) and countries (e.g., Canada, Germany, South Africa, United States),” (Maymon & Hall, 2021) and,

Whereas, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments recognizes that since the approved resolution CR 17-18.7, “Common Hour / Support for Each Commonwealth Campus Having Common Hour,” that visible breakthroughs to create this designated time has been made and,

Whereas, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments recognizes that through a study conducted, seven campuses had 44 classes, that conflicted in the fall and spring semester of the 2022-2023 academic school year,

Be it resolved, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments believes that a reinforcement of common hour amongst the commonwealth is strongly encouraged to all previously established times at each individual campus,

Be it further resolved, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments understands that not all conflicts can be prevented, but registrars and program leaders should do what is in their best efforts to prevent overlapping schedules.

Be it further resolved, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments acknowledge that not all campuses have an established Common Hour, and The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments encourages campuses to establish a Common Hour if they have not done so yet.

Respectfully,

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Council Action

Vote 35 : 2 : 0 Pass: Fail: Postponed:

Presidential Action

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