

Explanation of the Meaning of "Immediate Effect"

Departments should consider carefully when they want curricular changes to be in effect. The date of effect must be after the date when the Academic Senate or the final curricular authority approves or publishes an item, not the date when a proposal leaves the department or the college curricular body.

The actual date of effect will be the earliest desired by the originating unit, given the constraints under which the Office of the Registrar must operate. Approved changes in courses or programs for one semester cannot be implemented the next semester if the class schedule for that semester has already been sent to the printer. Departments and units are directed to the Office of the Registrar to find these dates.

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