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Subject: Important: Bi-term Proposal Information and Survey  
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Dear Fellow WKU Faculty,

Summary of Email Contents:

- 1) Link to the bi-term proposal
- 2) Forum dates with the Provost
- 3) Survey link for offering your anonymous input

There is a proposal currently being researched by the WKU Senate committees regarding an “increased emphasis” on bi-term course scheduling. Because the specifics on how this will affect the many different aspects of life at WKU are unclear, there is the potential that this could have a major impact on all faculty. The Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibility Committee is charged, of course, with learning how such a proposal will impact the faculty. Among other fact-finding ventures, we are seeking your input on the proposal via a very short survey (link at the end of the email).

It is important that we as faculty are as informed as possible when considering this proposal and offering feedback. To this end, this email provides a [link](#) to the latest draft of the bi-term proposal document as well as the dates of Provost Emslie’s college forums.

[http://www.wku.edu/convocation/documents/increased\\_emphasis\\_on\\_biterms.pdf](http://www.wku.edu/convocation/documents/increased_emphasis_on_biterms.pdf)

You may also be aware that the Provost has scheduled forums with each of the colleges as a means of both offering information on the proposal as well as receiving input from the faculty. In case a scheduling conflict prevents you from being able to attend the forum for your college we are including all of the dates, times and locations of those forums that have not yet happened. Please attend one of these.

PCAL	Tuesday	4 December	3:00	FAC Recital Hall 187
OCSE	Thursday	6 December	11:30	Thompson Central 129
GFCB	Friday	7 December	2:00	Grise Hall Auditorium
UC	Wednesday	12 December	2:00	Knically Center 163 B

These forums may be the best way to get information about the proposal and you may also let your voice be heard if you wish. However, as a more formal and anonymous avenue we have created a very short survey (9 questions, including demographics). This survey asks for responses based on how you think the implementation of this proposal will affect differing areas of your life as a WKU faculty member including teaching, research, time-management, attracting/hiring new faculty, etc. There is a comment box with each of the questions so you may elaborate if you choose. Please use the following [link](#) to take part in the faculty survey. The last date available for participation in the survey will be *Friday December 7*.

[https://wku.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_1HoPrZQuFuJsnpH](https://wku.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_1HoPrZQuFuJsnpH)

Thank you in advance for your participation in this anonymous survey. The members of the FWPRC aim only to serve you, the faculty, and have your voices heard regarding this proposal.

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