Article 10

HOURS AND SCHEDULING

10.1 This article applies to contract and regular faculty employees. Article 7 describes hours and scheduling for part-time faculty employees.

10.2 The normal academic workweek begins at 7:30 a.m. on Monday and ends at 5:30 p.m. on Friday of any week of instruction in the regular academic year. The normal academic workday means the period of time between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

10.3 The regular academic year means the period of time from the beginning of the Fall quarter to the end of the Spring quarter, excluding intersessions, as specified in the academic calendar incorporated in Article 27 (Calendar).

10.4 A faculty employee’s schedule shall normally be established by mutual agreement between the employee and his or her Division Dean or appropriate administrator. The scheduling process shall ensure that each faculty employee is assigned a schedule of duties in a reasonable manner that provides for the efficient operation of the District’s educational program, with due attention to the convenience and welfare of faculty. Past practice of the District with regard to hours and scheduling shall be maintained. Contract and regular faculty employees shall be assigned before Article 19 and Article 7 faculty. This shall mean that contract and regular faculty employees shall be given preference in the assignment of day classes and, if requested by a faculty employee, in the assignment of evening classes.

10.5 Notwithstanding Section 10.4, the Board retains the discretion to assign a faculty employee to a schedule of duties necessary to meet the needs of the District that may include extending his or her work day beyond the normal academic work day. Such assignments shall not be made in an arbitrary, capricious or discriminatory manner and shall, to the extent practical, be rotated among faculty employees on a quarterly basis if the assignment must continue in subsequent quarters.

10.6 If the assignments that make up a faculty employee’s full-time load include an assignment that is outside of the normal academic work day the employee shall not for that reason be denied a part-time assignment if he or she is entitled to such an assignment in accordance with Article 7 and is able to accept the assignment.

10.7 Each faculty employee shall meet, on time and regularly, all of his or her assigned duties. Depending on the nature of the employee’s position, faculty primary duties include instructional assignments, librarian and counselor assignments, resource faculty assignments, on-going preparation, including curriculum revision, for such assignments, and evaluation and assessment of student work. When a part of the faculty employee’s current official job description, primary duties may also include coordinating instructional or student services programs, advising student organizations, and assisting in the conduct of student performances and events. Responsibility for office hours is specified in Section 10.8, required attendance at department/division meetings is specified in Section 10.9, and responsibility for submitting grades is specified in Appendix Q. Faculty attendance at graduation is addressed in the “Commencement Exercises” Memorandum of Understanding which is included as part of this Agreement. Professional growth activity, as defined in Article 38.4 and Appendices A and B, is required for advancement on the salary schedule.

10.7.1 The effective operation of the college, the philosophy of participatory governance, the demands of the discipline, and the provisions of the Agreement depend upon the professional contributions of regular and contract faculty. Faculty ordinarily contribute professionally to the District in one or more of the
following areas, including but not limited to: research, creative activity (such as artistic performance, authorship, or the development of new learning materials), new curriculum development, special projects, division/department committees and task forces, institution-wide meetings and committees, hiring and tenure review committees, peer and student evaluation of other faculty employees, participatory governance, Faculty Association, Academic Senates, student activities, community outreach and relevant state, national or professional organizations. Faculty employees shall use their own professional judgment in determining the nature and extent of their voluntary performance of these unassigned activities.

10.7.2 Professional contributions as described in section 10.7.1 shall be assessed on the official administrative evaluation, Appendix J1, and they shall also qualify as part of the special service component of the Professional Achievement Award under the provisions of Article 38.5. Faculty failure to participate in activities specified in section 10.7.1 shall not, in and of itself, be cause for any disciplinary action against a faculty employee.

10.7.3 In confirmation of the discussions pertinent to the amendments to this article, and specifically to the provisions of Section 10.7, the parties agree that the District has no intent to limit the ability of the Faculty Association or its members to engage in a legally protected work-to-rule job action, and that the language of Section 10.7 shall not be used to adversely affect a faculty employee or penalize the Association for participation in such an action.

10.8 Each faculty employee shall establish and maintain a regular schedule of office hours and/or planned method(s) of student consultation. For teaching faculty, at least four office hours shall be scheduled per week. Faculty employees whose load is distributed between teaching and other duties shall have their office hours obligation proportionally reduced. The faculty employee and the Division Dean or appropriate administrator shall mutually agree on the schedule and/or planned methods.

10.8.1 Normally, office hours for faculty employees with assignments on campus are “physical presence” office hours and held days during which a teaching assignment is scheduled for that employee unless the faculty employee and his or her Division Dean or appropriate administrator mutually agree on another schedule. Faculty shall use professional discretion in determining the appropriate time and location of their office hours and shall specify this information in the course description (green sheet) and shall notify the division office of their office hour schedule and location.

10.8.2 Faculty employees who teach through a distance learning delivery system, including online, shall provide for student consultation through one or more of the following methods: “physical presence” office hours, online synchronous office hours, instant messaging or equivalent means, email correspondence, telephone contact, or instructor-student communication forums such as bulletin boards or chat rooms built into the course shell (for example, Etudes or Web CT). Distance learning faculty shall use professional discretion in selecting the appropriate method(s) of student consultation and shall specify those methods in the course description (green sheet) including the response time for asynchronous communication.

10.9 No faculty employee, excluding counselors, librarians and other faculty employees with similar schedules, shall be required by the Board to attend more than a combined total of ten department and division meetings (not counting flex day activities) during an academic year. To the extent practicable, a standard day of the week and time of day for required department and division meetings shall be established at the beginning of each
quarter. Furthermore, unless unusual circumstances dictate otherwise, no fewer than ten
days notice shall be given of required meetings. Faculty shall not be required to attend
department, division, or committee meetings during final exam week.

10.10 All faculty employees shall be employed as ten-month employees, eleven-month
employees, or twelve-month employees and not otherwise except as provided for in
Section 10.11. All ten-month employees shall be available to perform service for the
regular academic year. All eleven-month faculty employees shall be available to perform
service for the regular academic year and 20 additional days. All twelve-month faculty
employees shall be available to perform service for the regular academic year and 40
additional days.

10.11 The scheduling of any service beyond the regular academic year or during an academic
recess for faculty employee employed in library science, counseling and the coaching of
athletic activities, shall be through mutual agreement of the faculty employee and the
Board or by a procedure established and approved by the faculty of the affected
department, division, or program with the concurrence of the Board. In the absence of
mutual agreement or an agreed upon procedure, qualified faculty employees may be
assigned in reverse order of their seniority with the District. Such assignments shall not
be made in an arbitrary, capricious or discriminatory manner and shall, to the extent
practical, be rotated among faculty employees if such an assignment must be continued.

10.11.1 The Board recognizes that the scheduling of services beyond the academic year
or during an academic recess, while providing a level of services not otherwise
available, reduces those services during the regular academic year.

10.11.2 Any faculty employee who is required to perform services beyond his/her ten-
month, eleven-month, or twelve-month employment status shall receive either
additional salary at the rate of 2.5 percent of annual pay for each week of
additional service required or one day of compensatory time off for each day of
such service. If compensatory time is used, it shall be scheduled through mutual
agreement when the alternate schedule is assigned.

10.11.3 The inclusion in 10.11 of any faculty employees in addition to those defined
above shall be determined through the negotiation process.

10.12 Any faculty employee who is not in paid status for the full term of his or her annual
contract shall have his or her full annual pay adjusted as follows:

10.12.1 For ten-month (175 day) faculty employees, the full annual salary shall be
reduced by 1/175th for each day not in paid status.

10.12.2 For eleven-month (195 day) faculty employees, the full annual salary shall be
reduced by 1/195th for each day not in paid status.

10.12.3 For twelve-month (215 day) faculty employees, the full annual salary shall be
reduced by 1/215th for each day not in paid status.