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FR: Richard M. Carpiano, Chair
Executive Committee, School of Public Policy

RE: Proposed Regulation Change: Senate Regulation R1.8.1-Final Exam Duration

Date: November 22, 2019

The Executive Committee of the School of Public Policy appreciates Associate Provost Ken Baerenklau and the UCR Course Scheduling Committee's efforts to consider options regarding final exam duration and scheduling, as discussed in the proposed regulation change and their helpful (October 7, 2019) memo detailing their rationale and consideration of various alternatives. As detailed in the last page of the memo, it would be optimal—for the benefit of students, faculty, and student services-related administrative staff—at this point to follow the proposed process:

“Several CSC members expressed that, if the Senate decides to take up this issue, the policy decision should be informed by broad feedback from our campus and the experiences of other campuses (both UC and non-UC) that may have changed their exam schedules and studied the outcomes. Such a review would ensure that the regulation reflects the current will of the faculty, informed by the tradeoffs that are described above.”