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SUBJECT: Call for Course Proposals – 2021 Summer Session

I write to invite General Campus colleges, departments, and programs to submit proposals for Summer Session 2021 courses. Student interest in Summer Session continues to hold strong, with approximately 15,000 students and more than 35,000 enrollments in 2020. I hope that you will encourage your faculty - both those who have previously taught in summer, as well as those who have not - to teach Summer Session courses that complement the academic year curriculum. Graduate students who have advanced to candidacy are eligible to teach lower division courses as Associates-In.

It is particularly important that units consider offering classes that have waitlists, or are otherwise impacted during the academic year. Making these courses available in summer can help our students improve their time to degree. Please note that as of now, we do not know the details of Summer instructional format (e.g., in-person, virtual, or a combination of the two). Nonetheless, the Divisional Academic Senate has approved virtual instruction for Summer 2021; our experience in Summer 2020 has been that students welcome this option.

In addition to proposed summer courses, we would also like to know of already approved courses (e.g. Global Seminars, Travel Study, and Summer Success Programs).

There will be two five-week summer sessions: June 28 – July 31, and August 2 – September 4, as well as Special Sessions of three, eight, and ten-weeks. The deadline to submit course proposals is Thursday, November 12, 2020.

The success of Summer Session depends greatly on the interest and participation of departments and individual faculty. The Academic Affairs Financial Incentive pilot program will continue with up to \$50 per student and up to \$1000 per course. The qualifications for these incentives will remain the same as in 2020: to qualify, the department's total Summer Session enrollment and the total number of courses must be greater than the 2018 Summer Session (based on a census taken at the end of the Summer Session terms). Faculty compensation will be calculated at the standard rate of 8.5% of their annual salary.

The Summer Graduate Teaching Scholars program sent out the Call for Nominations in a separate email.

The Director of Summer Session will be in touch providing more details for Summer 2021. If you have any questions about the Summer Session program, please contact Director Becky Arce (barce@ucsd.edu).

I hope for wide participation in Summer Session 2021.

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