Responding to Criticism Against the 3 Hour Schedule

1. It flies in the face of Stockton tradition. At Stockton we believe that hour-credit units allow us to have greater face-to-face time with students.

Stockton tradition is not clear on this point at all. While we do have four-hour classes, a
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9. If I needed the extra hour of face to face time, I would suffer, and so would my students.

If we had a schedule based upon 3 hours instead of four, there would be so much more space available (up to 40 percent) and so much more flexibility, that if a faculty member or those in a particular discipline needed more class time for their students they could be

12. This is just an effort of some faculty to free up their time so that they can undertake more research. We are not a Research 1 university, so we shouldn't try to act like one.

As has been suggested throughout the preceding points, the new module system will not free faculty members from teaching to give them more time to publish – it would just give them flexibility and freedom to organize our schedules better (we can teach three hour seminars at the upper level, for example). It will provide a schedule that no longer requires us to reconfigure the same course for two different module lengths. It will also mean that we can find time to meet as groups, to have times when we aren't all teaching, so that all faculty and students will be able to go to papers being presented, and on and on.

13. If it ain't broke, why fix it? The current module system has served us well, and we