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**To:** [Maria Jennings](#); [Korey Sorge](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: IMPT: reschedule FLEX Requirement//Health Sciences?!!  
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**Cc:** Michael Horswell <HORSWELL@fau.edu>  
**Subject:** Re: IMPT: reschedule FLEX Requirement//Health Sciences?!!

Hey Eric,

Thanks for the quick reply.

My apologies if I misunderstood. I was waiting on a response to see if you would support or not. Again, I totally could have misunderstood that too. Anyway, no worries. As we said at the time, no hard feelings at all. We are all doing what we believe to be in the best interest of the students and our programs, we just disagree on this particular issue. There is absolutely nothing wrong with that and is what academia is about in many respects.

I very much respect your position and appreciate the time to discuss. I plan to attend the meeting as well, so hopefully I see you there.

Seriously, thank you all for the time and for considering. Take Care. --Mike Z.

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Dear Michael,

As I think our discussion indicated, we don't feel like we can support this request for support. While

we gained a better understanding of why you might like to drop the FLEX requirement for your degree, we ultimately don't agree that it is in the best interest of the students, or that it is strictly necessary to make this change. I apologize that there was still some question about our position, as I thought I had followed up already to make that clear.

I have asked Dan Meeroff if I can attend the upcoming UUPC meeting to explain why we oppose the change. Obviously, UUPC will have a vote on the proposal and perhaps Senate will as well. If it ultimately passes, or even if it doesn't, I hope there are no hard feelings.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Michael Zourdos <mzourdos@fau.edu>

**Date:** Monday, January 22, 2024 at 12:42 PM

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**Subject:** Re: IMPT: reschedule FLEX Requirement//Health Sciences?!!

Hi Eric and Dean Horswell,

I hope you are doing great.

I just wanted to follow-up and see if you all had an opportunity to consider our request regarding the FLEX foreign language in the BS in Exercise Science? Of course, we would love a letter of support from you, if you see fit. Also, we think this would be consistent with similar programs at USF, UCF, and UF (hyperlinked below).

Thanks so much for your time and for chatting last semester, it was great getting to know you a bit. And of course, if you need anything from me, just let me know.

Thanks, everyone. Talk Soon. --Mike Z.

**Similar programs in the state:**

USF: [All B.S. degrees.](#)

USF: [Exercise Science](#)

UCF: [Exercise Science.](#)

UF: BS in Exercise (Applied Physiology and Kinesiology), seen [here](#) and [here](#).

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The 7<sup>th</sup> works for me as well!

Thank you!

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**From:** Michael Zourdos <mzourdos@fau.edu>  
**Date:** Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 10:21 AM  
**To:** Evonne Rezler <erezler@fau.edu>, Holly Pereira <pereirah@fau.edu>, Eric Berlatsky <eberlats@fau.edu>  
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I could do a virtual meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> at 1pm as well. I'd have from 1pm to about 2:00pm.

Thanks, everyone. --Mike Z.

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**From:** Evonne Rezler <erezler@fau.edu>  
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**To:** Holly Pereira <pereirah@fau.edu>; Michael Zourdos <mzourdos@fau.edu>; Eric Berlatsky <eberlats@fau.edu>  
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Hi all, how about Dec 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm?

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Dear Michael,

My apologies for the delay. I have now spoken to Dan Meeroff about the FLEX requirement and your desire to eliminate it from your degree. Do you have time this week or next to discuss the matter? Zoom or in person is ok for me.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Eric Berlatsky <[eberlats@fau.edu](mailto:eberlats@fau.edu)>  
**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 at 1:38 PM  
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**Subject:** FLEX Requirement//Health Sciences

Dear Michael Z.,

Due to a motion by one of LLCL's faculty (and a Senator), your proposal to remove the FLEX requirement from the Health Science major was tabled. I appreciate your willingness to discuss the matter and would love to set up a meeting to do so. Obviously, departments/majors discarding the FLEX requirement affects our department in a negative fashion, but I'm also not sure it's the best thing for the students, regardless of their major.

If you tell me your availability, maybe we can set up a time to meet.

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