UA Student Committee on Educational Policy

**Top 7 Things Students Want Faculty To Know**

1. So that we have sufficient time to travel between classes, classes should start 5 minutes after the listed start time hour and end 5 minutes before the listed end time.

2. When mandatory problem sets are due within two days of a test or examination, our performance on both suffers.

3. Assignments should be announced at least a week before their due dates and should not change substantially close to the due date. When giving assignments that require knowledge of material not taught by the due date, be careful in judging our ability to learn ahead.

4. Try not to schedule major assignments or examinations within two days of Campus Preview Weekend.

5. Be aware of days off from classes, and try to avoid scheduling major assignments or examinations near or during them. This coming semester, breaks from classes occur on September 21; October 10–11; November 11 and 24–25.

6. If the material on a problem set or other assignment is covered on an examination, make sure that the students have a way to effectively assess their knowledge in time for the examination. Having the assignment graded is by far the best option from our perspective.

7. Try to hold regular office hours or otherwise be available to students. Office hours during such times as early in the morning, Friday evenings, the 5-7PM athletics period, and immediately after problem sets or examinations are not as useful.