

Notes on Course/Section Report 11-17

Page 1 – The average section size has dropped steadily over the past 10 years and has shown a greater rate of decrease in the last 2 years in all course categories except Special Topics

Page 2 – The average section size is over one less in the Spring semester as compared to the Fall semester.

Page 3-6 – There is an upward trend in both number of courses and sections offered from 2006-7 to 2012-2013 with a decrease in 2014-15 and a leveling off since then.

Page 7 – Over the past five years, the percent of sections less than half full has increased from 23.2% to 30.5%. At the same time, the percent of sections that are full have decreased from 34.0% to 23.9%.

Page 8 - Over the past five years, the average per section of number enrolled as percent of section capacity has dropped by an average of more than one percent a year.

Page 9 – Faculty FTE jump in 2013-14 is due to a change that year in the way we calculate this metric. Student-Faculty Ratio drop in 2013-14 caused by this change in calculation. Student-Faculty Ratio drop in 2016-17 caused by the decrease in enrollment. Faculty FTE changes typically lag student changes by a year or two.

Page 10 - The number of sections offered has grown over the past ten years, even taking into account the growth in Student FTE over that time period.