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MEMORANDUM

TO: *Undergraduate Council*

FROM: Dr. Diana Velez, Director
*Office of Undergraduate Academic Development
and Retention, Academic Affairs*

DATE: January 24, 2007

REF.: Block Scheduling in the Core of USD FTIC Students

It is my pleasure as UADR Director with responsibility for USD student academic development and retention, to inform the Council that our offices are collaborating with the *College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences* as well as the *College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics* in the establishment of block scheduling in the Core of all USD FTIC students commencing Fall 2007. This partnership between UADR/USD, CLASS, and NSM is deemed critical for the improvement of persistence and retention performance of USD students, and their timely movement into a major of their choice. UADR is grateful for the assistance of CLASS and NSM in this important initiative.