

Austin Community College Compliance Certification Response (5th Year Interim Report)

The number of Austin Community College's (ACC) full-time faculty is adequate to support its teaching mission and to ensure the quality and integrity of its academic programs.

Table 1 (below) shows that in FY 2007,

- The college employed 429 full-time teaching faculty members—sixty more than were teaching in 2003—a 16% change.
- Full-time faculty taught 42% of all credit sections.
- Full-time faculty taught 43% of all credit hours and 45% of all credit contact hours.
- The full-time faculty average [credit class size](#), a figure derived from dividing enrollments by total primary sections, was 21.3 students.

Table 2 (below) shows that in FY08, 111 faculty taught courses at the Round Rock Higher Education Center.

- Eleven percent of these were full time faculty.
- The number of full time faculty teaching at the Round Rock Higher Education Center in FY 2008 (12) has increased by 9 percent since the first year (11 in FY 2006).
- The number of enrollments taught by full time faculty in FY 2008 (484) has increased by 49 percent in the same time period.
- Full time faculty teach 11.6 percent of all credit hours taught at the Round Rock Higher Education Center.

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Table 1
Budget Planning Data for FY 2009: Comparison of Full-time to Total
Faculty, Sections, Enrollments, Average Section Size, Credit and Contact Hours
For 5-Year Period FY2003-FY2007

		Faculty	Sections	Enrollments	Avg. Section Size	Credit Hrs.	Contact Hrs.
FY 2003	Total	1,742	8,781	186,928	21.3	579,695	11,163,072
	Full-Time N	369	3,676	77,718	21.1	244,057	4,810,952
	Full-Time %	21%	42%	42%		42%	43%
FY 2004	Total	1,743	8,845	189,169	21.4	587,187	11,301,144
	Full-Time N	402	3,873	81,596	21.1	255,840	5,053,288
	Full-Time %	23%	44%	43%		44%	45%
FY 2005	Total	1,656	8,953	189,410	21.2	585,853	11,228,456
	Full-Time N	391	3,845	81,041	21.1	254,709	5,036,800
	Full-Time %	24%	43%	43%		43%	45%
FY 2006	Total	1,718	9,335	198,558	21.3	610,297	11,652,072
	Full-Time N	403	3,914	84,464	21.6	262,385	5,166,680
	Full-Time %	23%	42%	43%		43%	44%
FY 2007	Total	1,790	9,822	206,215	21.0	633,255	12,131,256
	Full-Time N	429	4,152	88,478	21.3	274,703	5,450,440
	Full-Time %	24%	42%	43%		43%	45%
% Change from 2003		16%	13%	14%	1%	13%	13%

Source: Austin Community College Budget Planning Book, FY 2009

Notes to Budget Planning Data – FY2009

- Each fiscal year includes the academic terms for Fall, Spring, and Summer.
- Only active sections for each fiscal year were included in this analysis.
- Enrollment counts are duplicated.
- The determination of faculty status was made on a fiscal year basis.
- Percentages are full-time faculty/total faculty.

Table 2 - ACC Round Rock Higher Education Center Data
Faculty, Sections, Enrollments, Avg. Section Size, Credit and Contact Hrs.
FY 2006, FY 2007, FY 2008

		Faculty	Sections	Enrollments	Avg. Section Size	Credit Hrs.	Contact Hrs.
FY 2006	Total	90	154	2,845	18.5	8,618	146,488
	Full-Time N	11	25	324	13.0	996	18,064
	Full-Time %	12.2%	16.2%	11.4%		11.6%	12.3%
FY 2007	Total	97	168	3,400	20.2	10,192	173,352
	Full-Time N	15	30	502	16.7	1,550	26,480
	Full-Time %	15.5%	17.9%	14.8%		15.2%	15.3%
FY 2008	Total	111	200	4,197	21.0	12,556	214,656
	Full-Time N	12	30	484	16.1	1,460	25,088
	Full-Time %	10.8%	15.0%	11.5%		11.6%	11.7%
Percent Change from FY2006 (FT Faculty Activities)		9%	20%	49%	24%	47%	39%

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ACC is committed to balancing the number of sections taught by full-time and part-time faculty to offer optimum learning opportunities to all our students. In 2005, the college President directed the development of a five-year Full-Time Faculty Hiring Plan to enable ACC to reach a 50%-50% balance in the number of sections taught by full-time and part-time faculty. The number of full-time faculty has increased over the last five years, but because the number of enrollments has also increased, the percentage of sections taught by full-time faculty has hovered around 42-43% for this same time period, a percentage commensurate with that of other urban community colleges in Texas.

Additionally, based on information from the 2006 publication, [AAUP Contingent Faculty Index 2006\[1\]](#), 30.1 percent of faculty at Austin Community College are full-time. This ratio is almost one percent higher than the median for large urban community colleges in Texas.

**Table 3
Comparison of Full-time and Part-time Faculty
at Large Urban Community Colleges in Texas**

Comparison of Full-time and Part-time Faculty at Large Urban Community Colleges in Texas					
Institution	All Full-time Faculty	All Part-time Faculty	Total	% Full-time Faculty	
DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	736	2852	3588	20.5%	
COLLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	252	822	1074	23.5%	
HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM	814	2391	3205	25.4%	
NORTH HARRIS MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	651	1581	2232	29.2%	MEDIAN
AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	445	1033	1478	30.1%	
SAN JACINTO COLLEGE DISTRICT	366	677	1043	35.1%	
ALAMO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	806	245	1051	76.7%	

Source: AAUP Contingency Faculty Index 2006

Since Austin Community College is a one college multi-campus institution, all faculty, regardless of their teaching location, are required to meet the College's credentials requirements.

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A Faculty Roster for fall 2007 and spring 2008 is included with this report in the section, "Additional Information." This roster contains the credentials for all ACC faculty teaching at any of our locations, including the Round Rock Higher Education Center (RRHEC). The names of faculty who taught at least one class at the Round Rock Higher Education Center during FY 2008 are identified by an asterisk [*].