

Results of the Survey

March 2018

Response rate was 44% (37 out of 84 surveys sent). The survey was sent to all coaches plus anyone who swam at least one practice in 2017 or 2018. Of the non-responders 44% (37) were swimmers who only swam with the Husky Masters one time in 2017 or 2018 and are also not registered with the Husky Masters. **Overall, 79% of the regular Husky Masters swimmers (including all coaches as regular swimmers) received the survey and completed it.**

Question 1: Please rank 1 through 5 (1 being your favorite) the below options for spring quarter practices.

Option 1: M, W, F practice beginning 5:30 or 6pm + a weekday morning practice. (Four practices per week).

29% rated this option a 1 or 2
50% rated this option a 4 or 5

Option 2: M, W, F practice beginning 5:30 or 6pm. No weekend practices. (Three practices per week).

38% rated this option a 1 or 2
44% rated this option a 4 or 5

Option 3: M, W, F practice beginning 5:30 or 6pm + Tuesday OR Thursday evening practice 7:30pm. (Four practices per week).

54% rated this option a 1 or 2
31% rated this option a 4 or 5

Option 4: M, W, F practice beginning 5:30 or 6pm + Sunday evening practice 5:30pm. (Four practices per week).

43% rated this option a 1 or 2
29% rated this option a 4 or 5

Option 5: M, W, F practice beginning 5:30 or 6pm + Saturday morning practice 10am. (Four practices per week).

42% rated this option a 1 or 2 14
39% rated this option a 4 or 5 12/34

Question 2: How do you want the quarter pass cost and coverage to be structured? Please choose one.

Option 1: I want the quarter pass to include only M, W, F practices. Weekend practices (Saturday or Sunday) would cost extra (drop in only at \$15 per practice).

54% chose this option.

Option 2: I want the quarter pass to include M, W, F practices AND a weekend practice (Saturday or Sunday). Estimated quarter pass cost increase of \$80 is fine with me.

32% chose this option.

Option 3: I don't like weekend practices; but I would like an additional weekday evening practice. I want the quarter pass to include four weekday practices. Estimated quarter pass cost increase of \$80 is fine with me.

14% chose this option.

Comments on this question (all included):

Cost doesn't matter comments:

I like as many practices as possible!

I am fine with either higher cost or paying drop in rates for extra practices.

Cost isn't a primary concern for me so whatever works for the majority.

Cost is too high comments:

The lower costs this quarter is what drove me to come back to husky masters. I'm not sure I will continue if the price goes up again, so my strong preference is three weeknight practices.

Can we add, in addition to the 10-pass option, a 20-pass or 30-pass workout option... so there's a bit of a scale between the full quarter pass and punch pass? Depending on the costs, that might be the most cost-effective way for me (this is *redacted*) since I can only really make 6 out of 8 practices in each two-week

period. But maybe other folks on the team would prefer a 20, 25 or 30-pass option if it's not too much work to manage by the treasurer.

Price is already too high for just 3 weekly practices. So, I am only inclined to swim occasionally on a drop-in basis.

I like M,W,F practices, with an optional weekend practice but perhaps the optional weekend practice can be at a pool with an already existing lap swim (saves costs?) or, in summer, could be in Lake Washington/Greenlake, just for the sake of fun and variety! I defer to the experts and I'm grateful to the organizers, regardless.

I think that merging options (1) and (2) above to create two quarter pass options makes sense: the quarter pass lite contains only weekday practices, and the full quarter pass contains the weekend practice in addition to the weekday practices. That way, those who want to attend the weekend practices can do so at a discount, while those who want to sometimes drop in on the weekends get an overall discount of \$80 but pay the extra \$15 for each drop-in. (This is particularly exciting as a student, because \$80 is a lot of money per quarter, especially if I don't come to many weekend practices).

I only use the punch pass as my schedule is often irregular. What would it cost to do an all punch pass program instead of quarterly? Maybe it would give everyone more flexibility and keep the costs uniform for everyone. If tracking is an issue, there's probably a better way to do check ins. Maybe a tablet or something better than pen and paper or cards you have to punch. **Save money and do away with summer practices. It's just not cost effective and practices are too late.** Lol...this is *redacted*. :-)

If it would work out financially, it would be nice to have no payment increase, and to be able to go any 3 days that week and pay extra if you go more. I realize that may be complicated to keep track of, though.

Other comments on this question:

I can only make Sunday practices because there's parking then. But I'm probably the only one so it doesn't matter.

I use punch passes and weekday workouts starting at 5:30 are nearly impossible for me to get to. So not only would I be a big proponent for any/all wknd workouts or those starting later in the evening, but I would like to be able to use my punch pass for these workouts. And I appreciate that the punch pass extends beyond a single quarter to allow for those of us unable to attend with significant frequency.

I like the idea of having everything be under one payment or punch pass. It makes things simpler.

The team should get a discount for every UW student swimmer.

Question 3: In the summer quarter, how many practices per week should the Husky Masters offer? Please choose one. Note, summer quarter practices may be paid for by punch pass or drop in only. Also note, due to decreased attendance in the summer, part of the cost of summer pool rental is factored into the pricing for the fall, winter, and spring quarter passes as well as punch pass pricing.

Option 1: I want 2 practices per week. I want those practices to be Monday and Wednesday evening (likely available time 7pm).

53% chose this option.

Option 2: I want 2 practices per week. I want those practices to be Monday and Thursday evening (likely available time 7pm).

17% chose this option.

Option 3: I must train all year round if I'm going to beat Michael Phelps someday. I want 3 practices per week. I want those practices to be Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evening (likely available time 7pm).

33% chose this option.

Additional Comments on the Survey or Swim Practices/Costs in General (all included):

Comments voting for no/reduced summer practices:

Do away with summer practices to save money and reduce fees. Also like age group swim teams, it would be great to do fundraising activity to help reduce the cost burden of swimming. It would also be a positive team building experience where we can actually engage with people outside the pool. Maybe a summer car wash?

I can't do summer because the time is too late. But I prefer swimming outside during summer anyway.

I likely will not swim in summer quarter as I love swimming outside! I would welcome an informal group and pay for a coach for that, for what it's worth. Thank you!

I've swum at Hec Ed at noon twice recently- today there were 3 people there at the most crowded- would a mid day practice be something to consider? Also for summer- could one day be in the pool and one day be in a lake? Would be lovely and would save money. I really like Sunday evenings and it would be great to have them back

Other Comments:

I won't be here this summer.

I don't swim during the summer, so I chose not to provide a response to question number 3.

Make the summer workouts earlier. 7pm is too late. 6pm or 6:30pm would be much better. I'd also see if we can get a morning weekday workout for summer- then there's more time to enjoy the sun while still training.

This is one of the best surveys I have ever filled out! With the nice summer weather we have had, I am more likely to swim outdoors, but the option of twice weekly indoor swims sounds very nice.

It would be great if all coaches could help to ensure equal lane distribution at the beginning of every workout and help move swimmers accordingly. Dryland workouts should still primarily be swim based (at least 2500yard). It's seems like a waste to pay for pool time otherwise.

Please bring back Sunday practices spring quarter :)

I can only make Sunday practices because that's when there's parking.

General Platitudes:

Thanks for asking us in a survey about the schedule!

Thanks so much for sending out this survey, and for all of your hard work. I know that dealing with the UW is probably super frustrating, but I want you to know that we all appreciate it!

Thank you!

Thanks for setting up this survey. It's really nice to be able to share thoughts!

You're amazing! Thank you for doing this!