ICSA Scheduling Committee Proposed Drop Deadline Change 2024 Winter Meeting December 13th, 2023

The ICSA Scheduling Committee proposes changing the drop deadline for ICSA Cross-Regional and Regional events from the Friday one month before the event to the Wednesday one month before, two days earlier than the current rule. Effective August 1st, 2024.

The goal of this change is to improve communication, specifically with teams on the alternate list accepting available berths. Hopefully teams are able to accept berths on the Thursday and Friday after Wednesday drop deadline. This would change the current situation with communication about available berths going out over the weekend while most teams are traveling and having the email buried in emails on Monday morning.

Since this is a large change from historical practice, the committee recommends implementing the change starting Fall 2024 so the change can be well communicated during the spring 2024 season.

This change could create confusion with conferences using Friday drop deadlines. As such the committee recommends that conferences shift to Wednesday drop deadlines to prevent confusion.