

Space Utilization Calculations

MnSCU calculates the % space utilization with a base of 32 hours during the week equaling 100% utilization. The global figures for space utilization for the institution are based on the use of classrooms and classroom laboratories (room categories 110 and 210 in ISRS).

The calculations used in the reports linked below count courses that run into the next hour as covering that full second hour. Under a new system starting to be used in the fall (the EMS System) course minutes are counted. So, for example, a course that runs for 75 minutes on Tuesdays and Thursdays, would have been counted as using the room for four hours a week. With the EMS system, that course would have room utilization of 150 minutes. Consequently, we expect reported space utilization to drop further this next year.