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No, the title above does not refer to the 2006 Hollywood film about King Leonidas' epic stand in the Battle of Thermopylae. Instead, it represents the number of students enrolled in (former CoB Dean) Harold Doty's fall 2007 teaching schedule. Word is traveling around the CoB quickly these days about Doty's fall 2007 schedule of three courses with two preps, and it seems that one of the three courses is a mass section of management principles – apparently the only one offered of its size – that already has 200+ students enrolled.

Can you say “swееееет”? We sure can, but not because this is an unusually large amount of work for someone. Many CoB faculty routinely cover schedules as difficult, if not more so, than this one. The sweetness in this case comes from having Doty become the first “former” CoB Dean not to receive the “parting gift” Dean's schedule of two courses with one prep. So, while Doty is toiling away being an “okay teacher” – his words (from his Spring 2003 CoB interview), not ours – in front of 200+ MGT 300 students, former CBA Dean will at times be poolside at his home in Josephine, AL, soaking up the Gold Coast sunshine.

Another great thing about all of this is that for the first time Doty will be contributing something to USM. At \$192/per credit-hour, Doty's fall 2007 teaching schedule will generate \$172,800 for the University. That's a great haul, and one that should just about cover his yearly salary and fringes. So, whatever he does for USM in the spring of 2008 will be for Mississippians, and he owes them (us) a lot.

Let's recap: 3 courses, 2 preps, and 300 students – good deal. I guess another Doty quote, this one from his Sept-05 South Florida interview, is an appropriate closing. That is, “what goes around comes around.” “Jungle rules,” dude.