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## Senate Policy on Accommodation for Student Activities

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Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. For example, student athletes competing at a national level can serve as role models, balancing an active, healthy lifestyle with academic pursuits. Students who compete or perform at a high level represent the university in a positive light and can serve as ambassadors for the university.

Carleton University strongly supports these activities. Faculty members must provide all reasonable accommodation to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. In particular, this includes varsity athletes, students participating in recognized international academic competitions or student artists performing internationally. When it is unclear if the nature of the activity warrants accommodation, faculty members are guided to discuss the issue with their Chair or Director. The Dean, when required, will make a final determination regarding the accommodation after making sufficient consultations to ensure a consistent application of this policy across the university. The Director of Athletics may be contacted to determine the acceptability of an athletic accommodation. Students who feel a faculty member has denied the accommodation required under this policy or who feel that the accommodation provided by the faculty member is not appropriate should contact the Dean responsible for their program.

This accommodation may involve rescheduling of academic deadlines, providing alternate means of assessment or facilitating off-campus examinations. Support in coordinating off-campus examinations is available from Scheduling and Examination Services.