

Whereas, there is a current student athletic absence policy

Resolved¹, a new policy for **Student Athlete Academic Absence Policy** be implemented as follows:

Student Athlete Academic Absence Policy*

The University of Scranton, as part of its mission, recognizes the importance of personal development through participation in authorized athletic competitions. The University endorses, supports, and takes pride in these events in which students represent the institution on and off campus. Faculty and coaching staff are committed to an on-going collaboration for the purpose of continuing rapport, joint problem-solving, and the ultimate benefit of the individual student's overall learning and development. However, there may be times when athletic competitions conflict with course related academic requirements, and it is hoped that faculty will regard any such absence as excused.

It is the individual student-athlete's responsibility to:

- **Present to each faculty member in whose course they are registered, within 1 week of the start of the season, a letter from the athletic director that details the dates and times of all known scheduled athletic events pertinent to that individual student-athlete.**
- **Provide updates regarding the schedule to the course faculty member as needed throughout the semester.**
- **Know the course requirements, including which academic experiences cannot be missed, because of their importance to course competency.**
- **Plan with course faculty and coaching staff as far as possible in advance to avoid class /clinical/ internship/ lab absences.**
- **Inform course faculty and coaching staff at the earliest time possible (*ideally* within a 24 hour time frame) when potential conflicts might exist.**
- **Know the absence policy of each course for which they are enrolled and discuss with course faculty a plan regarding missed class work and assignments.**

*for authorized Division III athletic competitions

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¹ By the Faculty Senate.