

Faculty Advisory Committee on Athletics and Physical Education (FACAPE) Bylaws with proposed edits (clean version)

Charge

1. The role of the Cornell Faculty Advisory Committee on Athletics and Physical Education is to provide advice on how the programs of the Department of Athletics and Physical Education can best complement and support the overall educational objectives of the University.
2. The committee will consult with the Athletic Director and/or their designee regarding how to ensure an intercollegiate, physical education, intramural, and recreational program of the highest quality. In doing so, the Committee will become familiar with and provide counsel regarding the following matters:
 - a. Areas of continuing interest to Cornell and the Department, including admissions, academic performance of student athletes, and the overall programs, goals, and objectives of the Department.
 - b. Issues facing the NCAA, ECAC, Ivy League, and other sport specific governing bodies.
 - c. Schedules for fall, winter, and spring seasons for each team, and the guidelines for leaves and absences for intercollegiate teams.
 - d. The physical education and swim graduation requirements for students.
3. The committee Chair will:
 - a. Review the competition schedules for all varsity athletic teams each year and approve requested missed class time in accordance with the FACAPE Missed Class Time Policy.
 - b. Grant approval from the Athletic Director designee on revisions to approved missed class time sheets on a case-by-case basis.
 - c. Hear and decide on student appeals regarding the physical education and/or swim graduation requirements, brought forth by the Director of Physical Education. Consultation and vote with the greater committee will be pursued for more complex cases, as needed.
 - d. Conduct committee meetings, maintain committee records, and write an annual report.
4. The committee will support Cornell student-athlete academic success by:
 - a. Serving as a resource for Cornell Student-Athlete Support Services (SASS).
 - b. Fostering a strong system of team faculty liaisons for all varsity athletic teams in partnership with Cornell SASS.
 - c. Regularly reviewing and revising the FACAPE Missed Class Time Policy to ensure its alignment with current academic and athletics expectations.
 - d. Providing guidance to Cornell faculty and SASS on best practices for providing accommodations to varsity student-athletes for missed class time and/or assessments.
 - e. Provide oversight to cases of academic misconduct pertaining to athletic eligibility including an independent review of academic coursework on a case-by-case basis, as needed.

Composition

Nine members of the faculty, appointed with the concurrence of the Faculty Senate, by the Nominations and Elections Committee for three-year terms.

Co-Presidents of the Red Key Honor Society.

Co-Presidents of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

The following are ex officio (non-voting) members: Director of Athletics, Faculty Athletic Representative, undergraduate student (selected annually by the Student Assembly), and graduate student (selected annually by the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly)

The following are non-voting staff who attend meetings: Senior Deputy Athletics Director for the Student-Athlete Experience, Director of Physical Education, Director of Recreational Services, and a Student-Athlete Support Services administrator.

Except as noted specifically the committee shall be organized and operate under the rules and procedures governing standing committees of the Faculty Senate.

Adopted by the Faculty Council of Representatives, December 9, 1987, Records, pp. 6530-44C, Appendices A and B. Changes in nomenclature from FCR to Faculty Senate, and to reflect amendments to Organization and Procedures of the University Faculty, October 1995.

Where not listed as a member or chair, both the Dean of Faculty and the Associate Dean and Secretary of the Faculty, shall be an ex officio members of each committee of the University Faculty and each committee of the Senate. (Faculty Handbook, Article V Section D Part 7) (Faculty Handbook, Article VI Section A Part 3)