

Social Policies and Regulations:

Observing Religious Freedom

As we continue on the path toward greater diversity to provide the strongest education for our students, we must work to make our College community ever more open to this diversity. Major Christian holidays and American cultural holidays are incorporated into our calendar. But, more and more of our students observe other religious and cultural traditions. We should make every reasonable effort to allow them to do so. We will excuse students from class to enable them to participate in religious/cultural activities, but this does not relieve them from the responsibility for any part of the course work required during their absence. We expect students to make arrangements with their faculty before they are to be absent. With this advance notice, faculty shall offer opportunities to make up missed work without penalty. A faculty member is under no obligation to provide for or accept missed work if a student fails to notify in advance of the absence.

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