

Catalog and Faculty Handbook Language on Final Exam Preparatory Week ("Dead Week")

Final Exam Preparatory Week ("Dead Week") is the week immediately preceding the initial day of the final examination period of a full-term, regular academic semester. Classes are held according to the regular semester schedule, but there will be no final examinations or other major exams scheduled during this week. Exceptions to this rule must be approved by the Office of Instruction and may only be granted when scheduling an exam during Prep Week directly benefits students (e.g. lab practical exams that would otherwise have to be scheduled during finals week, in addition to the lecture final). Faculty may, at their discretion, make an arrangement with an individual student if the student has a compelling need. Student activities are allowed, but only insofar as they benefit students and do not require mandatory attendance or extra-curricular work on the part of students. Final Exam Preparatory Week ("Dead Week") constraints do not apply to late-start and short-term courses.

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