

Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR)

FAR Selection and Terms

- One tenured faculty member will be appointed by the University President. Applications should be sent to the Dean of Academic Affairs, and the selection of the FAR will be made by the President in consultation with the Athletic Director (AD) and the Dean of Academic Affairs.
- Expectation is a 3-year commitment to serve as FAR, with review of the FAR-Athletics-Academics relationship each year by the Dean, the AD, and the President and with potential for additional years of service beyond the initial term.
- FAR will be granted up to one course release during the first year of their term, pending departmental academic constraints. FAR may request additional course releases through the APC competitive course release process for special projects or unusual workload/training associated with the position.
- Provided with opportunities to attend NCAA national meetings and FAR training sessions (requests approved by the Dean of Academic Affairs).

General Charge

- The Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) is an NCAA-mandated position for all member institutions. The FAR serves as advisor to the University President, the Dean of Academic Affairs, and the Athletics Director on matters related to the intersection of academics and intercollegiate athletics, as institutional representative to the NCAA and the conferences in which St. Lawrence competes, and as the liaison between the faculty and the Athletics Department.

FAR Responsibilities

- Serve as a bridge between the academic and athletic components on campus, providing support and guidance for faculty, staff, and students regarding the student-athlete experience.
- Help ensure a quality student-athlete experience.
- Help promote student-athlete well-being and professional and leadership development of student-athletes.
- Help promote student success in academics, athletics, and other co-curricular pursuits.
- Serve as an independent advocate for student-athletes.
- Help student-athletes, faculty, and coaches navigate athletic-academic conflicts that might arise.
- Play a visible role on campus with faculty, student-athletes, and athletic department staff.

Specific Duties

- Serve as an active member of or chair the athletic advisory board.
- Serve on the University Compliance Committee for DI Hockey.

- Oversee the nominations of student-athletes for NCAA grants, scholarships, and recognition programs.
- Be involved in waiver or appeals procedures regarding NCCA compliance when necessary.
- Attend at least one monthly athletic department staff meeting per semester and others as needed (based on the meeting agenda). Review athletic department staff meeting minutes as needed.
- Meet regularly with the Athletics Director to discuss departmental issues.
- Meet at least once per semester with the Dean of Academic Affairs and the University President.