Florida Atlantic University

Regulation 2.007 Religious Observances

(1) The University recognizes and values students' rights to observe and practice their religious beliefs. The University will reasonably accommodate a student's religious observances, practices, and beliefs as they pertain to admissions, class attendance, and the scheduling of examinations and work assignments.
(2) If a student desires to observe a religious practice or belief, the student must provide written notice to the instructor to be excused from class for such purposes no later than the second week of the applicable academic term.
(3) Students who are absent because of religious observances, practices, or beliefs and who have complied with the notification requirement will not be penalized. Students are responsible for any material covered or tested during an excused absence but shall be given a reasonable amount of time to complete assignments or examinations missed during the excused absence.
(4) Any student who believes that he or she has been unreasonably denied an educational benefit due to his or her religious belief or practices may seek redress of the decision by filing a complaint for failure to provide a religious accommodation with the Office of Civil Rights and Title IX . Any such complaint will be processed and investigated in accordance with the University's established procedures regarding alleged discrimination.
(5) The University's commitment to provide reasonable accommodations to students for the observation and practice of religious beliefs shall be made known to faculty and students annually as required by law and, prior to the start of each academic term, the University shall provide an updated interfaith calendar or other similar resource for faculty reference.

Specific Authority: Article IX of the Florida Constitution, 1006.53, F.S., Board of Governors Regulation 6.0115. History–New 8-6-12; Amended 09-09-2025.