IMPORTANT CHANGES AFFECTING DEFERRED EXAMINATION PROCESSES

At the March 2010 meeting of the University Senate several changes that affect examination-related processes were approved. The changes noted below become effective for courses taken during the 2010 summer session onward. Following is an explanation of the changes.

DEFERRED EXAMINATIONS

- “DEF” notations will now be defined as follows:

A student who has missed a final examination due to unforeseeable circumstances beyond his/her control can apply to have the original grade replaced by a temporary “DEF” notation. The original grade assigned must include a “DNW” notation.

**Note:** Unforeseeable and/or extraordinary circumstances may include, but are not limited to, a serious illness or severe injury; a recent death in one’s immediate family; unexpectedly assuming responsibility of an immediate family member due to serious illness; severe emotional stress; fire. Personal travel is not an acceptable reason to be granted a “DEF” notation.

- Applications for “DEF” notations that are based on illness must be accompanied by a preprinted **Medical Certificate for a Deferred (DEF) notation** that is attached to the Request for “DEFERRED” notation form.

- Requests for deferred examinations can be made in a maximum of **three (3)** exam sessions during a student’s undergraduate or independent studies at Concordia. (Note: the two sessions of the Summer semester will count as one semester only).

Requests which exceed the maximum permitted number will be submitted to the newly created University Examinations Committee for consideration.

- The University Examinations Committee is comprised of one faculty member from each Faculty, a student representative, a representative from the Office of the Provost, and a representative from the Office of the Registrar. The Committee’s decisions are final.

- Students have only **one** opportunity to write a deferred examination for any given course. Requests for a second opportunity to write a deferred examination for extraordinary circumstances will be submitted to the University Examinations Committee for consideration.
NOTE: If you change your address or email, please update your Student Centre accordingly.

REQUEST FOR “DEFERRED” NOTATION
Office of the Registrar

(PLEASE PRINT)

Family Name
First Name
Home Telephone
Business Telephone
E-mail address

Concordia I.D. Number

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YY)

Please tick if you are a

Potential Graduate for ☐ Spring or ☐ Fall

Procedure:
1. Deadline for application:
   - January 15 for Fall courses (2)
   - May 10 for Fall/Winter courses (3 and 4)
   - August 31 for Summer courses (1)

2. Processing fee: $36 per course (non-refundable)

I did not write my final examination and wish to apply for a temporary “DEF” notation in the course(s) listed below:

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Regulations:
1. A “DEF” notation cannot be awarded in a course(s) with an “R” or “NR” grade. Also, the original grade submitted must contain the “DNW” notation.
2. This application must be submitted to the Birks Student Service Centre (LB 185) by the deadline noted above along with the necessary processing fee. No extensions will be granted. (If you don’t have the supporting documents, submit the form by the deadline without them and note: “Documents to follow”.)
3. If the reason for the deferral was illness, you must submit the attached Medical Certificate for a Deferred (DEF) Examination. Examinations missed for other unforeseeable and/or extraordinary circumstances must be supported by applicable documentary evidence on original (not photocopied) letterhead.
4. Decisions on this request will not generally be made prior to the DNE (did not enter) deadline.
5. Please refer to Section 16.3 of the current Undergraduate Calendar for further information.
6. All applications must be submitted along with a statement explaining the situation and the reasons for the request. All statements should be maximum one page long.

Student’s Signature ___________________________ Date ________________

Office Use Only

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ D/C  ☐ MO

DATE: _______ AMOUNT: _______ INITIALS: _______
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE FOR A DEFERRED (DEF) NOTATION

Office of the Registrar

Date __________________________ Concordia I.D. # __________________________

Name

Family Name

Given Name

☐ Cell

☐ Work

☐ Home

E-mail

Address

Telephone: Home (    )

Area Code

Area Code

Deferred "DEF" notation indicates that a student has been unable to write a final examination due to unforeseeable circumstances beyond the student’s control. For short-term medical situations, this form must be submitted in support of your request.

1. You must visit your medical practitioner on or before the date of the missed exam.
2. By submitting this note, be advised that you authorize us to verify its legitimacy.
3. Tampering, altering or modifying the certificate in any way could lead to charges brought against the student under the Code of Rights and Responsibilities and/or the Academic Code of Conduct.

This section MUST be legible and completed by a licenced medical practitioner only.

The above-mentioned student was seen for a medical condition on __________________________

Date __________________________

The student is/was not able to write his/her exam(s) on __________________________

Date __________________________

Was this serious illness/injury predictable/foreseeable? ☐ YES ☐ NO

How did this serious illness/injury prevent the student from writing the exam(s)?

________________________________________

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M.D.’s Name __________________________________________

Telephone __________________________________________

Licence/Registration No. __________________________________________

Date __________________________

Signature __________________________________________

M.D. / Hospital / Clinic Stamp

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