

# REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION FOR HEALTH, BEREAVEMENT, OR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES (GRADUATE COURSES ONLY)

# STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE STEP 1 (INFORMAL REQUEST) PRIOR TO USE OF THIS FORM (See reverse for details)

Complete and attach a letter of rationale and any supporting documentation, and submit these to the Faculty of Graduate Studies - gradst@uwindsor.ca

Section 1 – To Be Completed by Student  STUDENT I.D. NUMBER	□ FALL □ WINTER □ SUMMER	STRIC 2 0 2 YEAR	CTLY CONFIDENTIAL
SURNAME GIVEN NAME		INITIAL	
ADDRESS – STREET, APT # or RESIDENCE/ROOM			
CITY & PROVINCE POSTAL	TELE	PHONE	EMAIL
COURSE BEING APPEALED (NUMBER AND TITLE)			COURSE INSTRUCTOR NAME
GROUNDS FOR REQUEST  ATTACH LETTER OF RATIONALE AND DOCUMENTATION AS APPLICABLE  Check either A, B, or C:  A. Health B. BEREAVEMENT C. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES (Provide Medical note.)  Attach Letter of Rationale and Documentation as applicable			
STUDENT'S SIGNATURE		-	DATE
Section 2 – To Be Completed by Instructor and Academic Officials			
NO CHANGE IN ORIGINAL GRADE OF	Original Instructor:		
GRADE RAISED FROM TO GRADE OF "IN" (Incomplete) GRANTED	APPROVED BY:		Department Head
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Section 2B – Aegrotat Standing Designation In exceptional circumstances "Aegrotat Standing" may be granted and recorded on the transcript. Aegrotat Standing is the exceptional granting of credit for a course based on term work (normally when the final examination is/was not written).			
AEGROTAT STANDING GRANTED YES NO	FINAL EX	AMINATION WRITT	EN YES NO
APPROVED BY:			

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# POLICY AND PROCEDURES - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

(GRADUATE STUDIES)

Excerpt from Bylaw 55, revised and renumbered from Bylaw 51, 08 Nov 2019, 13 Dec 2019).

**1.11** Considerations for Health, Bereavement, or Extenuating Circumstances

# Informal Request STEP 1: MUST BE PURSUED PRIOR TO STEP 2 (FORMAL APPEAL)

**1.11.1** A student who wishes to receive consideration on matters affecting or shown to affect academic performance based on medical or compassionate grounds, such as, bereavement, or serious mental or physical health circumstances, or unanticipated extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the student (e.g., jury duty, caring for an ill family member, labour disputes, etc.), should communicate with the Instructor as soon as possible, prior to, during, and subsequent to the examination period, or at the time when a student's performance is evaluated for the purpose of assigning a grade, taking into account the severity of the illness, bereavement, or other extenuating circumstance. The instructor may choose to handle the matter informally. Whether or not informal resolution is obtained, a formal request is also possible in accordance with paragraph 1.11.2.

### Formal Request STEP 2: USE ONLY WHEN STEP 1 HAS NOT RESOLVED THE REQUEST

1.11.2 A student who wishes to receive consideration on matters affecting or shown to affect academic performance based on medical or compassionate grounds, such as, bereavement, or serious mental or physical health circumstances, or unanticipated extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the student (e.g., jury duty, caring for an ill family member, labour disputes, etc.), should communicate with the Head of the AAU offering the course and the Faculty of Graduate Studies as soon as possible, prior to, during, and subsequent to the examination period, or at the time when a student's performance is evaluated for the purpose of assigning a grade, taking into account the severity of the illness, bereavement, or other extenuating circumstance. A letter of rationale, requesting alternate evaluation or accommodation, and supporting documents (e.g., a completed medical note from a regulated health care professional (see Policy on Medical Notes from Regulated Health Care Professionals), the call to jury duty) must be submitted to the Faculty of Graduate Studies forthwith and will be forwarded to the Head of the AAU offering the course. The Head of the AAU offering the course shall consult with the instructor and make a recommendation to the Dean of Graduate Studies. If the Dean of Graduate Studies approves the recommendation, the Head of the AAU offering the course shall make appropriate arrangements for the alternate evaluation or accommodation. The Dean of Graduate Studies shall inform the student and the Office of the Registrar of the approved alternate evaluation or accommodation.

### 1.11.2.1 Stays on decisions

Following receipt of the letter of rationale and supporting documents, and until the Dean of Graduate Studies has communicated a decision to the Office of the Registrar, a stay on all decisions affecting a student's standing in a program or eligibility to proceed with a course of study, shall be in effect until a final decision has been reached. The Dean of Graduate Studies shall communicate the decision to the Office of the Registrar within four weeks of receipt of the letter of rationale and supporting documents.

**1.11.3** In the cases outlined in 1.11.1-1.11.2 above, the Instructor may grant an "aegrotat" grade on the basis of term work or assign an "incomplete" grade indicating what further work is required and the deadline by which such work must be completed. The instructor's response will be forwarded by the Head of the AAU offering the course to the Dean of Graduate Studies for final approval. The Dean of Graduate Studies shall inform the Office of the Registrar using the procedure followed for submitting final grades.