

Faculty Athletics Representative USC

The Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) position is mandated at every NCAA institution and provides an essential link between athletics and the academic community. The FAR must be a full time professor at the university and works very closely with the offices of the President, Provost, General Counsel, Athletic Director and Athletics Compliance in addition to schools, departments and committees throughout USC. One of three university representatives to the PAC-12 Conference and the NCAA, the FAR is also a member of [the Provost's Oversight Committee for Athletic Academic Affairs \(OCAAA\)](#).

The core of the FAR's responsibilities includes working with the appropriate entities in upholding academic integrity and compliance with the policies and rules governing the athletic program and maintaining student-athlete welfare. Specific duties include monitoring student-athlete team travel and working with the [Student-Athlete Academic Services \(SAAS\) Program](#) to monitor academic performance, course enrollment distribution, grades and progress towards graduation. The FAR assists students with questions and concerns about such things as transfer and changes in financial aid, and helps coordinate hearings on these topics when necessary. The FAR is independent of the USC Athletic Department and reports directly to the President. This faculty role is helpful when students, coaches, or staff have concerns that require an academic perspective.

Alan Green, Ph.D., was appointed to this role by USC President C.L. Max Nikias in July 2017. He replaced Professor Clare Pastore of the USC Gould School of Law after 7 years of service. Professor Green supports student-athletes in all of the 21 NCAA sanctioned sports teams at USC. He holds a faculty appointment in the USC Rossier School of Education and serves as Faculty in Residence in Parkside Residential College.

Understanding the role and responsibilities of the FAR is essential for our student athletes' academic success and student experience here at USC. For more information, please contact Professor Green at alangree@usc.edu or to learn more about the NCAA, visit <http://www.ncaa.org/themes-topics/faculty-athletics-representatives>.