



UCL Academic Manual 2025-26

Chapter 14: Teaching and Learning

Teaching on Wednesday Afternoons

Guidance

1. All teaching should finish at 12.50pm on Wednesday afternoons.
2. We regard the UCL student experience as holistic, and we keep Wednesday afternoons free for students to enable them to participate in extra-curricular activities. The need for teaching to finish at 12.50pm is especially crucial for those students taking part in field sports, since the completion of matches and training in daylight hours is essential for the safety of the participants.
3. Any decision to hold classes on Wednesday afternoons must be approved by the Faculty Education Leadership and also discussed and agreed with all students involved. If it proves impossible to schedule the class(es) at another time, alternative arrangements should be put in place for students who wish to take part in extra-curricular activities on Wednesday afternoons so that their academic progress is not affected.