Complete Policy Title: **Use of Calculators in Examinations**

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If nothing is specified about the use of calculators in examinations, then calculators may not be used. Invigilators will check for compliance on University examinations invigilated by the Registrar's Office.

Otherwise the instructor has two choices:

i. The instructor may specify the use of the McMaster Standard Calculator. In this case invigilators will check for compliance. There will be one or more such calculators designated for use by the Deans of Studies on behalf of Undergraduate Council.

ii. An instructor may choose to allow the use of any calculator. In this case it is the responsibility of the instructor to ensure that the equipment does not confer an unfair advantage on some students.

If an instructor, department or a Faculty plans to exercise either option (i) or (ii), students must be informed as part of the course outline.