Absences

It is the general policy of the College that class attendance is expected, but instructors have the right and the obligation to set their own policies regarding absences. All instructors are to have a stated policy on class attendance appearing on their course syllabus. Because of differences in subject matter and pedagogy, these policies vary; it is the students' responsibility to know the attendance policy for each course.

Students who face a conflict between class attendance and other circumstances such as illness or family crisis should refer to the course syllabus for information about how those absences will affect them.

In addition, students must notify instructors in advance before any absences and avoid scheduling appointments during class time.

Finally, it is the students' responsibility to arrange to make up missed work within the parameters of the instructors' class attendance policy.

Absences for college-sanctioned events

Generally, students will be excused, without penalty, from one class meeting in each course per semester for college-sanctioned events. Students are still responsible for making up work from these absences. Any additional permitted absences for college-sanctioned events are solely at the discretion of the instructor.

The sponsor of each college-sanctioned event must notify all instructors of the dates and times of events at the beginning of each semester.

Students are responsible for consulting with event sponsors and class instructors during the add /drop period to determine the consequences of missing a particular course or a particular event. Failure to do so may result in cancelling the privilege of missing a class meeting for a college-sanctioned event.