



**CAMPUS ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY JUSTIFICATION**

**Policy Title:** Student Attendance and Absences  
**Policy Number:** 7030D    **Functional Area:** *Academic Affairs (1000)? Currently listed as Student Affairs (7000) but this does not seem right*

**Date Submitted:** February 16, 2024  
**Proposed Action:** Revision  
**Desired Effective Date:** Fall 2024  
**Last Official Review:** April 30, 2019  
**Reviewing Office:** Academic Achievement (SESS)  
**Responsible Officer:** Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic & Student Affairs  
**Policy Contact:** Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Achievement  
**Applies to:** CU Denver Campus

**Reason for Revision to Policy:** Student success in college is dependent upon regular attendance and participation in courses. The University of Colorado Denver expects students to participate in every class session. This policy statement (1) distinguishes between excused and unexcused absences; (2) outlines the responsibilities of faculty and students as they relate to absences and (3) establishes appeals processes. This policy is overdue for revision and being updated to reflect necessary changes. The revision will include a large review group to ensure impacted areas have opportunity to provide feedback.

## **I. REASON FOR PROPOSED ACTION AND SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

The revisions to this policy are intended to update language and expectations related to absences in order to reflect more modern approaches to student success which focus on inclusive and equitable practices that acknowledge the complicated lives of our students while also holding them to standards of academic excellence. It is intended to be a guide for both faculty and students around expectations related to attendance and practices for managing absences.

## **II. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN THE POLICY REVIEW**

Participants in creation of this draft:

- Antwan Jefferson (SEHD)
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- Faculty Assembly - EPPC Committee (Sasha Breger)
- AVC Faculty Affairs (Turan Kayaoglu)
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- SGA (President Savannah Brooks and VP Mitchell Mauro)
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## **III. LEGAL REVIEW**

Is legal review of the proposed changes recommended?

**Yes**