

STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY

Student Attendance and Expectations:

It is essential that students fully participate in all of the courses in the curriculum, including classroom recitation, laboratory, and experiential courses. In these environments, the interactions among students and between students and faculty/preceptors, community members, and patients serve to build a firm foundation for excellence in pharmacy and in patient care. Attendance and participation are paramount professional responsibilities, and PharmD students are required to be present at all learning experiences.

Guidelines:

1. Each individual Course Master will communicate their attendance expectations specific to their course and the consequences of missing classes.
2. The Course Master will choose how to monitor attendance in their courses. This information will be included in the course syllabus. Methods to monitor attendance may include:
 - a. Randomly call on students
 - b. Use U-Card swiping software on random days
 - c. Circulate an attendance sheet
 - d. Call roll
 - e. Use Poll Everywhere during a lesson
 - f. Give a number of random quizzes and in-class assignments that are scored based on completion in class
3. Students are expected to plan accordingly so that they do not miss courses. For instance, working is not considered an acceptable excuse since students are expected to adjust their work schedule and other appointments around their courses. Students are counseled to avoid more than 20 hours a week of outside employment during their PharmD program. The rigor of the program may call for shorter work hours in order to enable student success. At the instructor's discretion, the student may be excused based on the following criteria:
 - a. illness/emergency in family
 - b. residency/job interviews out of town
 - c. official University of Utah activities (see University Policy 6-100(III)(O) at: <http://regulations.utah.edu/academics/6-100.php>)
 - d. Interprofessional Experiences