

### **Intermittent Attendance Guidelines**

I am writing to provide guidance and articulate the parameters of the intermittent attendance accommodation.

The intermittent attendance accommodation is a reasonable accommodation granted to students with a disability that may influence their ability to comply with a professors' stated attendance policy. This academic accommodation is only granted to students that provide appropriate documentation from a licensed clinician. That documentation must state the student's disability and how that disability impacts one or more major life functions. The clinician is then tasked to provide insight into how the requested accommodation will assist the student when attempting to navigate the effects of their impacted life function in the academic setting.

This accommodation does not excuse a student from the responsibility of actively participating in the course and developing and demonstrating content mastery. An Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodation does not guarantee that a student will receive a passing score that was not earned. Again, ADA accommodations do not guarantee a specific grade outcome for a student, only participation and demonstration of increased mastery will do so. Reasonable accommodations allow for a student to have equitable access to the curriculum.

Students have been notified that if granted with the accommodation of intermittent attendance, they are fully responsible to perform and complete the necessary coursework. Accessibility services has also informed students that consistent class attendance is expected and that for some courses successful completion may be extremely difficult with multiple absences. Communication between student and faculty should occur to determine an expectation of intermittent attendance. For example, this could be an agreed upon number of classes beyond the amount of missed classes allowed in the syllabus.

A student and a professor may coordinate together on any type of assignment or testing extension. However, a student is still responsible for completing all set assignments. Assignments outlined in the syllabus must be submitted on time unless other arrangements were made between the student and professor. Students have been informed that when using their intermittent attendance accommodation, they must notify the professor as early as possible of the absence or absences. If a student is absent on the date of an assessment, this ADA accommodation does allow for the rescheduling of a quiz, test, or exam for the student to take.

Students are aware that the intermittent attendance accommodation is not intended to be used for regularly scheduled doctors' appointments and or testing. It is only to be used in cases of emergency in which a student is having a medical crisis.

If a student does not regularly attend a course, it is unreasonable for said student to expect that they would excel in the course.

Thank you,

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