**Current policy**

Students are responsible for meeting all academic requirements of a course and following the attendance policy announced by individual instructors. This policy must be announced during the first class meeting and must be explicitly stated in the course syllabus.

Students are expected to attend the first meeting of their classes or to inform the instructor of the reason for absence within 48 hours of the first meeting. Should a student miss the first meeting without an explanation, the instructor may drop the student.

**Proposed policy**

Students are responsible for meeting all academic requirements of a course and following the attendance policy set by the instructor. This policy must be announced during the first class meeting and must be explicitly stated in the course syllabus. For an online or hybrid course, the first class meeting is the first day of the semester or session or as defined for that course.

Students are expected to attend the first class meeting or, for an online or hybrid class, login to the course in the course management system (e.g., Blackboard) by the first class meeting. Should a student fail to do so without offering his/her instructor an explanation within 48 hours, the instructor may drop the student from the course. It remains the student’s responsibility to verify course drops.