

## Student Absence Policy

The Class Attendance Policy, approved by the UNL Faculty Senate (<http://www.unl.edu/facultysenate/class-attendance-policy>) outlines several scenarios which may cause students to miss class (illness, religious observations, personal tragedies and university-sponsored activities). The only university-sponsored activity specifically mentioned by the document is intercollegiate athletics.

The following is a list of additional activities that College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources instructors may want to consider as university-sponsored activities. **Ultimately, whether an absence is excused or not is up to the course instructor.**

1. Any activity that is directly related to a student's degree program or a requirement for another course that they are enrolled in, and can be documented either through the degree audit or the syllabus of another course.
2. Activities that have a CASNR-approved travel request or similar documentation from another college.
3. College-funded professional development activities (national/regional conventions, trainings, etc.).
4. Professional competitions or other academic-related events with appropriate documentation from the faculty/advisor activity sponsor.

If the instructor decides that such an absence is permissible, it is the student's responsibility to determine how the absence will affect their ability to meet the course requirements (as outlined in the Faculty Senate policy) and to make arrangements with the instructor to make up any allowable work.