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**Resolution on Class Attendance Policy for Students Engaging in Official University Sponsored Activities**

*Whereas,* Students engaging in official university-sponsored activities perform a critical service to our university, and they also need to meet course objectives; and

*Whereas,* Faculty are responsible for establishing and disseminating a class attendance policy in a manner such that each student registered for the class has access to this information through course syllabi and/or within the learning management system; and

*Whereas,* All students at the University of Cincinnati are expected to attend classes and satisfy course objectives as outlined by the instructor on the syllabus; and

*Whereas,* Students may need to miss one or more classes to participate in official university sponsored activities; and

*Whereas,* Students representing the university through official university activities and/or organizations should, whenever possible, be allowed opportunities to complete missed assignments when absences are a result of official university-related activities and obligations; and

*Whereas,* Early notification allows faculty and students to negotiate the best possible plan for successfully fulfilling course requirements; and

*Whereas,* Extended absences that are not addressed through advance planning and written documentation need to be addressed through additional meetings or possible withdrawal from the course;

Therefore **be it resolved** that students participating in official university sponsored activities need to provide documentation of the event(s) at the earliest possible time and work with the professor or instructor to develop written plans for completion of assignments or other course requirements that will be missed in order to fulfill the requirements for the course as outlined on the syllabus.