Inclement Weather Syllabus Statement

From the Provost

Faculty Request:

Please include a written statement in your course syllabus (or a link in your syllabus to the statement) addressing expectations when classes are canceled because of inclement weather conditions or emergency situations. If the university is closed for these reasons, faculty members are prohibited from requiring students to attend events, classes, laboratories, or any other functions on campus. If faculty members offer alternate online assignments during campus closures, they must not penalize students who are unable to complete the alternate work during the campus closure.

Students who are participating in assigned off-campus activities (for example, clinicals, internships, student teaching, health services placements, or other assigned course work at locations remote from campus) are required to keep and attend these assigned placements, unless the site is closed or the student is unable to safely reach the site. It is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor of record and/or the site to receive instructions on attendance at the site before the assigned time of the placement for any closings of the placement site or inability to reach the placement site because of inclement weather conditions or emergency situations.

Proposed general syllabus statement:

In the event of university closure because of inclement weather conditions or emergency situations, students should refer to the syllabus, Blackboard and their university email for expectations and alternate online assignments for this course. Students who are unable to complete these assignments during a closure (for example, due to a power outage) will not be penalized.

Proposed additional syllabus statement for off-campus activities (as applicable):

Students who are participating in assigned off-campus activities (for example, clinicals, internships, student teaching, health services placements, or other assigned course work at locations remote from campus) are required to keep and attend these assigned placements, unless the site is closed or the student is unable to safely reach the site. It is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor of record and/or the site to receive instructions on attendance at the site before the assigned time of the placement for any closings of the placement site or inability to reach the placement site because of inclement weather conditions or emergency situations.