

## PHYS 121-2-3 Illness Policy, 2010-11

The standard illness policy shall apply during the 2010-22 school year providing that no epidemic illness hits the university.

The emergency illness policy (posted following the standard policy, below) will come into effect **ONLY should the University report a significant epidemic on campus**. Once the University makes such a report, an announcement will be circulated to all faculty that the emergency illness policy is in effect, and faculty will be expected to follow this emergency policy until the end of the quarter, or until the University announces an end to the epidemic, whichever occurs first.

### STANDARD ILLNESS POLICY

**EXAMS-** There are three regularly-scheduled midterm exams this quarter. Students who must miss an exam due to illness (or any other reason) shall receive a grade of Zero for that exam. However, the lowest midterm exam grade shall be dropped, and only the best two midterm exam scores shall be used to compute the “midterm exam score” applied to the final course grade.

**LABS-** There is an opportunity to attend make-up lab sessions during the last week of classes. Students can also attend a different lab session during the same week with permission of both their usual lab TA and the TA for the “make-up” session. Students may make-up only one lab during the last week of classes unless they receive special permission from the lab professor.

**TUTORIALS-** Tutorials cannot be made up. Students can attend a different tutorial session during the same week with permission of both their usual tutorial TA and the TA for the “make-up” session. Tutorial homework may be turned in late at the discretion of the tutorial TA.

**LECTURES-** Lecture credit does not exist, except for clicker credit or other supplemental work. Supplemental points and clicker points are generally truncated or graded so that missing a few days will not lower the student’s course grade.

### EMERGENCY ILLNESS POLICY

**Due to a reported epidemic at the University of Washington**, the usual PHYS 12X policies are hereby modified. Generally this policy modification is designed to insure that **STUDENTS WHO ARE FEELING ILL WITH SYMPTOMS SUGGESTIVE OF CONTAGION SHOULD NOT COME TO LECTURE, LAB, OR TUTORIAL, AND SHOULD NOT TAKE SCHEDULED EXAMS**. If you must miss an exam, a lab, or a tutorial, please contact your lecture, lab or tutorial professor by e-mail.

**EXAMS-** Each student will be allowed ONE make-up for a missed midterm exam due to illness during the quarter. The make-up session will be scheduled to occur within 10 days after the original exam date. The scheduling will be done by the lecture professor in consultation with the affected students. The final exam cannot be made up during the quarter due to time constraints, but a student who must miss the final exam due to illness will be allowed to take a grade of “Incomplete”, and then take the final exam with a similar class in the following quarter. The lowest midterm exam score for each student will be dropped as usual. This means that a student unlucky enough to be sick for two midterm exams can still preserve their course grade by making up one of them. Those who miss two exams and are unable to make up either of them will simply have to drop the course, or go through the UW’s Hardship Withdrawal process.

**LABS-** There is an opportunity to attend make-up lab sessions during the last week of classes. Students can also attend a different lab session during the same week with TA permission, as is our usual policy. Students who need to make-up more than one lab due to illness must receive permission from the lab professor. Students who are ill can ask the lab TA to allow the post-lab web assignments to be submitted late for full credit. Pre-labs cannot be made up, but a missed pre-lab assignment can be omitted from the calculation of the student's lab grade. The omission of pre-lab grades is limited to one request during the quarter, though this request may cover a time period of up to 10 days (which could in principle involve at least a portion of the work for two different labs).

**TUTORIALS-** Tutorials cannot be made up, but students can regain all of the missed credit covering a period up to 10 days, which may involve portions of the work for up to two tutorials. Students can also attend a different tutorial session during the same week with TA permission, as is our usual policy. Students who are sick can ask the tutorial TA or professor to restore full credit for missed pretests and tutorial sessions. A single tutorial homework assignment can be submitted for full credit up to 10 days late if necessary due to illness.

**LECTURES-** Lecture credit does not exist, except for clicker or supplemental credit. Clicker and supplemental points shall be truncated so that missing all work during any 10 day period will not lower the student’s course grade. Alternatively, the lecture professor may choose to restore full supplemental points upon request by those who miss class due to illness. Lecture notes may be posted online or made available to those who must miss class due to illness.