ATTENDANCE

General Policy
Students are expected to accept the responsibility for satisfactory attendance in each course for which they are registered. What constitutes satisfactory attendance shall be determined in each course by the instructor within the framework of rules below.

Absences from examination and laboratory periods
Any student who is absent without excuse from an announced test, quiz, examination, or laboratory period may, at the discretion of the instructor, be penalized for such absence or be allowed to make up the work missed.

Excused absences
The designation of excused absences and the assignment of any subsequent makeup work are the prerogative of the course instructor. It is expected that instructors will be reasonable in the exercise of this prerogative. In general, students may be excused for reasons such as (a) ill health, (b) participation in official intercollegiate events, (c) personal emergencies (d) instructional trips (e) jury duty (f) required military service and (g) important religious holidays and/or observances as discussed with the instructor, and they will then not be subject to academic penalty.

Absence on voting day
In order that UNH students may fully exercise their constitutional right to vote in New Hampshire state and federal elections, no examinations will be scheduled on the first Tuesday of November, and such should be designated in the University calendars. Opportunities for makeup of other scheduled exercises on those days should be provided where necessary. Faculty are requested to cooperate to the fullest extent with students from communities scheduling elections at other times.

Excessive absences
When students absent themselves from class to such extent that their own progress or that of the class or group is seriously impaired, they will be reported to the dean of their college by their instructor. When reports are received by a college dean, the dean will consider each student’s class standing, academic record, and other pertinent factors; the dean may then a) warn the student against continued absences by letter or by interview, b) place the student on scholastic warning or c) report the student to the Academic Standards and Advising Committee for a decision as to whether the student shall continue in the University.