Emory Law Student Handbook Addendum

2021-2022 School Year

The language below is added into the section titled “Class Attendance,” which starts on page 45. As of January 4, 2022, the policy below applies to the fall 2021 and spring 2022 terms only.

Administrative Waiver of Absences

The law school has issued special attendance policies for the fall 2021 and spring 2022 terms, including administrative procedures for the waiver of excessive absences.

Students who believe they may miss more than 25% of classes in any one semester due to COVID-related health concerns must apply to the Office of Academic Engagement for an administrative waiver of attendance. The Assistant Dean for Academic Engagement and Student Support will evaluate the basis for the absences - including the total number of absences in relation to the learning objectives for the course – to determine if an administrative waiver will apply and may request supporting documentation from the student. Absent an administrative waiver, a student who misses more than 25% of classes in a course may be subject to any of the following sanctions: reduction in final grade, denial of permission to complete coursework or to sit for the exam, or receipt of a grade of F (failing).