University of Arkansas Athletic Department Class Attendance Policy

The Athletic Department Class Attendance Policy supersedes all instructor policies.

At the University of Arkansas, student-athlete graduation is fundamental to the mission of Razorback Athletics. Class attendance is a crucial component in the successful completion of all courses. Therefore, we expect student-athletes to attend all classes. We understand that travel for competition may result in a significant amount of time away from campus; hence, student-athletes must not have excessive unexcused absences. Unless accommodations have been granted by the University of Arkansas Center for Educational Access, **a student-athlete who is well enough to attend practice is expected to attend class**. The Office of Student-Athlete Success staff, who are here to support you, will oversee class attendance monitoring, which includes regular class checks and communication with faculty, ensuring that you are on track with your academic responsibilities.

If a student-athlete has excessive unexcused absences, they may be subject to penalties as severe as suspension from competition, missing practice, or a fine.

The University of Arkansas Class Attendance Policy states:

Education at the university level requires active involvement in the learning process. Therefore, students have the responsibility to attend classes and to actively engage in all learning assignments or opportunities provided in their classes. Instructors have the responsibility to provide a written policy on student attendance that is tied to course objectives and included in a course syllabus. There may be times, however, when illness, family crisis, or university-sponsored activities make it impossible to attend or participate fully. In these situations, students are responsible for making timely arrangements with the instructor to complete any missed work. Such arrangements should be made in writing and prior to the absence, when possible.

Examples of absences that should be considered excusable include those resulting from the following: 1) illness of the student, 2) serious illness or death of a member of the student's immediate family or other family crisis, 3)University-sponsored activities for which the student's attendance is required by virtue of scholarship or leadership/ participation responsibilities, 4) religious observances (see Students' Religious Observances policy in section 2.8 below), 5) jury duty or subpoena for court appearance, and 6) military duty. The instructor reserves the right to require that students provide appropriate documentation for any absence for which they wish to be excused.