

PHYS 121-2-3 Illness Policy

Because of the increased threat of illness this quarter, especially of epidemic flu, the usual PHYS 12X policies have been modified. Generally this policy modification is designed to insure that **STUDENTS WHO ARE FEELING ILL WITH SYMPTOMS THAT MIGHT BE FLU 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 credit. Clicker points shall be truncated so that missing all lectures during any 10 day period will not lower the student’s course grade. Alternatively, the lecture professor may choose to restore full clicker 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.