

**AUSTIN PEAY STATE UNIVERSITY
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL**

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When students are scheduled to participate in an institutionally scheduled activity (for instance, athletic activity, band, or military event), class absences that fall during the sanctioned time (this time may include travel) shall be considered as excused absences. Although the students are excused from attending class, the students have the responsibility to check with the instructor to find out what work was missed. Faculty members shall make reasonable arrangements for students to make up assignments, quizzes and tests missed during the excused absence. These make-up activities shall be comparable to the missed assignment, quiz or test and shall not be graded for reduced credit or treated as a dropped grade.

The athletic director shall determine whether a particular athletic-related activity qualifies as a university-excused absence. The Associate Vice President for Student Affairs shall determine whether a particular student affairs-related activity qualifies as a university-excused absence. If a faculty member desires to have a class-related activity designated as a university-excused absence, s/he must request prior approval from his/her department head. Additionally, department heads must request prior approval from the appropriate Dean. Once an activity has been granted excused status by an academic dean, the athletic director or the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs (as may be appropriate), the excused absence policy will take effect.