

Policy Language

Writing Program Faculty
Fall 2022

Masking

USD Provost Office

“The university continues to support and encourage campus community members to wear face coverings when they feel the need to do so. Faculty may require face coverings to be worn during their classes.”

<https://www.sandiego.edu/onward/>

English Department

“Please know that while your individual determinations on this recommendation by the Provost's office will be honored, the department will also provide an additional layer of support if you decide that students be *required* to mask in the classroom and during your office hours. Please feel free to include this requirement as a "department policy" in your syllabi, to verbally state this on your first days of class, and to send any concerned or disgruntled students to speak with the chair.”

Attendance

College of Arts and Sciences, Student Handbook

Attendance: "Regular and prompt attendance at class is deemed essential for the optimal educational progress of the student, and for the orderly conduct of academic life. There is no generally specified number of allowed absences. Each instructor will publish attendance regulations at the beginning of the course and will state what penalties will be imposed for excessive absences.”

https://catalogs.sandiego.edu/undergraduate/2022-2023_Undergraduate_Catalog.pdf

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Penalty Language (backed by the English Department and the Writing Program)

Writing classes are designed to be hands-on workshops that require regular attendance and active participation. For this reason, all courses in the Writing Program have strict attendance and participation policies. Every student is allowed 2 unexcused absences. Following this, every subsequent absence will negatively impact your grade. 4 unexcused absences equals an F for this class.

Learning Outcomes

- Write in ways appropriate to the audiences and occasions of each assignment
- Write effectively in or about multiple discourses by distinguishing among and responding to rhetorical contexts
- Apply relevant and compelling content, based on strong understandings of assigned subjects, in order to write effectively across multiple types of discourse
- Use credible sources to develop ideas and arguments that are effective within assigned disciplines and discourses
- Cite sources accurately according to conventions of the topic and discipline
- Write clearly and fluently, with few errors in syntax and grammar