

PROCEDURE

Procedure Title

Student Attendance Monitoring Diplomas Procedure

Parent Policy

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Preamble

Student attendance is monitored to support students and to encourage positive learning outcomes. While students are strongly encouraged to attend all scheduled tutorials/ workshops, a minimum tutorial attendance rate of 80% is expected as this provides the best opportunity for satisfactory completion of course outcomes. This procedure outlines the steps involved in identifying and contacting students who have not maintained an 80% attendance level for tutorials/workshops or who have been deemed an absent student.

Definitions

Attendance Monitoring System. System used to enter and monitor student attendance

Diplomas Absent Student

A student over the age of 18 will be deemed as absent after ten consecutive teaching days of absence without contact with Monash College

Diplomas Missing Student

A student over the age of 18 will be deemed missing when they do not respond to attempts at contact four teaching days after being identified as absent or at any stage when information is provided that indicates the student's health, safety and/or well-being is potentially at risk or compromised.

Under 18 Absent Student

A student under the age of 18 will be deemed absent if they do not attend any scheduled classes for five consecutive teaching days and there has been no contact with Monash College.

Under 18 Missing Student

A student under the age of 18 will be deemed missing if they do not respond to attempts at contact two teaching days after being identified as absent or at any stage when information is provided that indicates the student's health, safety and/or well-being is potentially at risk or compromised.



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Ref	Steps	Responsibility
1.	Student Attendance Monitoring Attendance Monitoring by Teachers	Total
	Teachers are encouraged to mark student tutorial and workshop attendance in the Attendance Monitoring System (AMS) at the start of each class and should complete marking attendance within 24 hours.	Teachers
	Teachers will receive a daily system generated email from the AMS system until the attendance is marked.	
	Access to the class list to mark attendance is limited to seven days from each class. Teachers who do not have access to AMS must use a printed class list from AMS to manually mark attendance. This is provided to teachers by the Administrative Assistant/Education Coordinator for each Diploma. The marked class list must be returned within one teaching day to update in the system.	
	Teachers must email the Student Welfare Team Leader or the Student Counselling Service immediately if they have any concerns for the health or wellbeing of a student.	
2.	Students Responsibility for Attendance	
	Students' overall attendance rate will be reduced if they arrive late, leave early or fail to provide supporting evidence for any absence. The attendance percentage is calculated by the AMS.	Students
	Students that miss a class should submit an Absence Form and provide supporting documentation to Student Administration within two teaching days of returning to class for their attendance percentage not to be impacted. Such circumstances for class absence include but are not limited to:	Students
	 Illness or injury, where a medical certificate states the students was unable to attend. 	
	 Bereavement of a close family member/s such as a parent or grandparent. 	
	 Major political upheaval or natural disaster in the home country requiring emergency travel. 	
	 A traumatic experience which could include: involvement in, or witnessing of a serious accident; 	
	 Witnessing or being the victim of a serious crime that has impacted on the student (supported by police or psychologist report). 	
	Student Administration will validate the supporting documents and note it in the AMS within two teaching days of receiving it. In the case	



	where a student submits a special consideration form, Student Administration will also include a note in the AMS that the student was absent on the days applicable. At the end of a trimester, student tutorial attendance rates will be reset. Students have the right to request tutorial attendance information from their teachers at any point throughout the trimester. Students wishing to obtain attendance information from past trimesters must send a request via email to Student Administration (student.admin@monashcollege.edu.au).	Student Administration Students
3.	Attendance Monitoring – Warning Notifications sent to students	
	in week 3, 5, 7 At the start of week 3, 5 and 7, the Student Administration team will send Student Administration a report of students with attendance less than 80%. Attendance Warning Notifications are sent via email by Student Administration and a copy is stored in TRIM.	Student Administration
	The Attendance Warning Notification advises students of their current attendance rate and encourages them to seek support.	Students
	Under 18 students	
	The U18 Guardian Manager will follow up with the student and notify the student's parents where necessary to notify them that the student has received an Attendance Warning Notification.	U18 Guardian Manager
	The Student Engagement Team will follow up with the student and notify the external Guardian that the student has received an Attendance Warning Notification.	Wanager
4.	Absent Student Monitoring – over 18 students	
	4.1 Identifying absent students: At any stage when information is provided that indicates the student's health, safety and/or well-being is potentially at risk or compromised, this process will start immediately.	All staff
	4.2 The Academic Process and Policy team will be sent the Absent Student Report on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week from week 2. This report lists all students that have been absent from class for 10 consecutive teaching days.	Academic Process and Policy Team
	When a student has been deemed absent within 48 hours the Academic Process and Policy team will check the student's academic record, class attendances, and latest email contact along with all relevant databases (Callista, Moodle) to ensure that the student has not:	
	cancelled their enrolment	
	applied for leave of absence	
	transferred provider	



	 changed their address logged onto the learning management system. After the check is done if there is no valid reason for the student's non-attendance and the student has not responded for a further 48 hours, the Academic Process and Policy team will attempt contact by telephone/SMS and/or email in an effort to advise the student that there are concerns about their welfare, and seeking a response from them. If no contact is made with the student within 48 hours, the student will	
	be escalated in accordance with the Missing Student Procedure.	
5.	Absent Student Monitoring – under 18 students	
	The Academic Process and Policy Team will monitor student attendance. Students identified as absent for five consecutive days will be investigated within 24 hours.	Academic Process and Policy Team
	If no contact is made with the student within 48 hours, the student will be escalated in accordance with the Missing Student Procedure.	



Legislation and Standards	National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018
Reference Policies and Supporting Documentation	Absence Form Missing Student Policy Missing Students Procedure Non-Academic Suspension and Exclusion Policy Student Attendance Monitoring Policy
Responsibility for Implementation	Reporting, Planning and Operations Team Team Leader, Learning Consultants Associate Directors, Diplomas Deputy Director, Diplomas Team Leaders, Diplomas Academic Manager, Diplomas Under 18 Guardian Manager Student Administration Team Student Engagement Team
Status	Revised
Key Stakeholders	Director, Diplomas Associate Directors, Diplomas Deputy Director, Diplomas Team Leaders, Diplomas Academic Manager, Diplomas Unit Leaders/ Subject Coordinator, Diplomas Student Administration Team Learning Consultants, Diplomas Teachers, Diplomas Under 18 Guardian Manager Students, Diplomas Student Engagement Team



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Change History

Version number	Approval date	Approved by	Brief outline of changes
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2.0	14/02/2017	Director, Diplomas Associate Director,	Updated Attendance Warning Notifications sending dates and templates
		Governance	Updated Teacher attendance marking timeframes
			Updated absent student timeframes
2.1	25/06/2018	Executive Director, Diplomas	Included step 2 and expanded process for unallocated students.
2.2	04/06/2019	Governance	Hyperlinks removed; role titles updated; legislation references updated.
2.3	02/12/2021	Board of Studies	Removed workflow information related to AMS administration. Removed description of warning letter contents.



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