Classes missed due to participation in college-sponsored co-curricular events or collegerecognized religious observances are considered excused absences provided appropriate procedures are followed. The student must notify the instructor at the earliest possible time before the absence and arrange to make up missed work as defined by the instructor's syllabus. The co-curricular activity must be a performance, professional meeting, or athletic contest to be considered an excused absence. The religious observance must appear on the College's calendar of religious observances in order to be considered an excused absence. If it does not, an excused absence can be granted only if the student requests special permission from the Provost.

An excused absence allows the student to make up exams or quizzes given during the absence, or to reschedule oral presentations. It is the responsibility of the student to get notes from the class and to compensate as much as possible for the absence. It is also the student's responsibility to work with the instructor in determining an appropriate time for make-up assignments. Students must recognize that many classroom and laboratory activities cannot be replicated and that absences may be detrimental to their performance.