

Absences from Required Basic Sciences Course Activities (Non-Exams)

Students are expected to participate fully for the entire duration of all required activities of the MD program and to be present from the start to the end date of each term. Students should consult [the official academic calendar](#) for the published start and end dates for each term, prior to making travel arrangements. Travel conflicts are not valid reasons for missing required course activities.

The faculty considers participation and engagement to be essential components of professionalism. Except for examinations, there are no excused absences from scheduled course activities and no make-up sessions for missed points associated with missing scheduled course activities.

Students must participate in all required educational activities as defined by Course Directors. Such academic activities include (but are not limited to) lectures, labs, small group discussion, directed learning activities, examinations, SGU Wisdom, and continuous quality improvement measures such as module and instructor evaluations. **Course directors take participation into account when determining grades. Non-participation may adversely affect grades and may result in a failing grade.** Make-Up opportunities will not be offered for any missed activities. Students should consult their course Syllabi for additional information related to course participation.