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## HISTORICAL INFORMATION:

Prior to September 1, 2008, the following policy was in place.

## MEDICAL EXCUSE SLIPS - Student Absences due to Illness (\$.2506, \$.07-242)

Students who are unable to meet a course requirement through any form of illness (whether temporary, serious, or long-term) should advise their instructors of such an absence at the earliest possible opportunity (preferably in advance of the course requirement).

Medical excuse slips normally are not required. Instructors may, at their discretion, require medical certificates for verification of absence for reasons of illness, especially in the event that such absence includes a significant assessment period or evaluation. (Instructors are asked to use good judgement in requesting the use of UWO Student Health Services to verify absence for reasons of minor illness or in instances where a student had not consulted a physician at the time of illness.) Such verification shall be submitted by the student to the office of the appropriate Dean. The Dean's Office will evaluate the original certificate and will retain it according to the University's records retention guidelines. The Dean's Office will then make arrangements with the appropriate instructor and Department Chair regarding accommodations to be made.

In the case of absence from final examinations, such verification is mandatory and normally is contingent upon the student being assessed medically before the final examination.

UWO Student Health Services normally will issue verification of illness only in the case of serious or long-term illness or in cases involving absence from final examinations or other significant periods.

Student absences for reasons other than illness shall continue to be verified according to current practices.