Resolution to update Faculty Handbook Language Concerning Excused Medical Visits
Faculty Senate
Educational Policy and Student Activities Committee
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Update of Faculty Handbook Section VIII.C.1-3/Undergraduate Catalog VIII.C.2-3

Whereas sections of Faculty Handbook Section VIII.C.2-3, and Undergraduate Catalog VII.C/Graduate Catalog 3.6.A concerning visits to Hudson Health Center and O’Bleness Memorial Hospital are outdated and must be changed,

Whereas Ohio University Campus Care and OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital have changed both their names and their policies so that the students can ask for written notification of their medical visit to use as documentation for an excused absence for medical reasons,

And whereas other clinics that serve students routinely provide notices indicating when students have seen medical professionals,

Be it resolved that the relevant university publications be revised as follows to reflect these new policies:

Faculty Handbook VIII.C.2-4:

2-4 Students who receive medical or dental care from OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital, Ohio University Campus Care or other health care facilities are expected to request official notification from the staff at the time of their visit stating that they were seen on a particular day, in order to present the instructors of classes necessarily missed for this reason verification of the date(s) and times they received such care. It is the responsibility of the student to request and obtain such notification.

University Undergraduate Catalog VIII.C/Graduate Catalog 3.6.A

If you visit OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital, Ohio University Campus Care, or other health care facilities, you can ask for and receive official notification to verify to your instructors that you have visited these health care centers on a specific day. However it is your responsibility to ask for notification. It is assumed that, whenever possible, you will visit the health service as an outpatient without missing class.