

POLICY-LINKED STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP)

DOCUMENT ID: SOP-190 VERSION #1	TITLE: COURSE AND STATUS CHANGES POLICY—REASSIGNING SEATS OF STUDENTS WHO DO NOT ATTEND CLASS	SEARCH KEY:
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PURPOSE:	 To outline the protocol for reassigning the seat of a student who misses a first class and the scheduled start of a second class without notifying the instructor. 	POST TO: Public Website DC Connect
LINKED POLICY	Douglas College Policy: • Course and Status Changes Policy	
SCOPE (Applies To):	 DC STUDENTS IN CREDIT COURSES DEANS/ASSOCIATE DEANS/DIRECTORS FACULTY MEMBERS REGISTRAR'S OFFICE VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC AND PROVOST 	
STATUS: FINAL	AUTHOR: Standing Committee on Educational Policies CONTACT INFORMATION: EDUCATION COUNCIL CHAIR, 604-527-5384 RESPONSIBLE OWNER: VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC AND PROVOST	CREATED: 2020/04/14 (yyyy/mm/dd)
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QUALITY ASSURANCE FORMAT APPROVAL: ADMINISTRATORS' COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE (ACP) SOP SUBCOMMITTEE THOR BORGFORD, VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC AND PROVOST		DATE APPROVED: 2020/04/30 (yyyy/mm/dd)
OTHER RELEVANT POLICIES:	See list of relevant policies at the end of the <i>Douglas College Course and Status Changes</i> Policy	
RELEVANT ACRONYMS & DEFINITIONS:	UN: Unofficial Withdrawal	

STEPS:

- If a registered student does not attend the first class of a course and does not notify the faculty member of intended absence prior to the scheduled start time of the second class (by e-mail, in person, or by telephone, excluding voicemail) that student's seat may be reassigned.
- The **student** who is to occupy the reassigned seat will be added to the class list by the usual procedure, appearing to exceed the maximum number of **students** in the course, where necessary.
- 3. The **faculty member** will proceed with course activities as if the **student** whose seat has been reassigned no longer appears on the class list.
- 4. The **faculty member** will notify the **student** by e-mail that the **student** must withdraw from the course by the official withdrawal procedure and that failure to do so by the end of the second week of classes (Sunday) will result in a UN grade for the course on the **student's** transcript.
- 5. The **faculty member** will refer the student to the *Douglas College Course and Status Changes Policy* and/or the **Responsible Administrator**, as appropriate.
- 6. The **faculty member** will assign a UN grade to the **student** if the **student** has not officially withdrawn from the course by the end of the second week of classes (Sunday).