

Rule 7.2.1.3 Justification

Proposed revisions to 7.2.1.3 direct pregnant students to the Civil Rights & Title IX Office (CR/T9) upon requesting excused absences related to their pregnancy or pregnancy-related condition. The CR/T9 Office has pregnancy accommodation coordinators that work with pregnant students and professors to address and approve excused absences during recovery, extended make up work deadlines, and other various classroom adjustments. The rule currently states they must send requests for excused absences related to pregnancy directly to the instructor.

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7.2.1.3 In accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Texas A&M University shall treat pregnancy (childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy and recovery there from) and related conditions as a justification for an excused absence for so long a period as deemed medically necessary by the student's medical provider. Requests for excused absences related to pregnancy should be directed to [the Office of Civil Rights & Title IX University Title IX Coordinator at 979-458-8407 or TIX.Pregnancy@tamu.edu.](mailto:TIX.Pregnancy@tamu.edu)