

**EDUC 535.06: Specialization II – Elementary Inclusive Education
Fall 2023**

Section	Instructor	Time	Location	Email
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Class Dates: September 6 – October 25, 2023 (Wednesday mornings)

Last Day to Add/Drop/Swap: Due to the non-standard dates associated with this program, please check your Student Centre for the important dates pertaining to your section.

Pre-requisite: Due to the multiple pathways in the Bachelor of Education, please consult Undergraduate Programs in Education for questions related to pre-requisite courses.

Office Hours: By appointment only

Email: Students are required to use a University of Calgary (@ucalgary.ca) email address for all correspondence.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The intent of the Specialization Seminar II is to deepen your understanding of the practical aspects of teaching within the specialization and to connect this practice with specific theoretical concepts. While this second specialization course focuses more on practical knowledge, you will also refine your knowledge of discourse and theory within the discipline and develop a deeper understanding of ways to enact this theory in a classroom context. You will additionally become familiar with any relevant Ministry documents associated with the Alberta Curriculum and draw on practical classroom observation from the field experience to participate in meaningful discussion and to connect these observations with a vision for your own teaching. The emphasis of the course is on designing for student learning (subject-specific; assessment to strengthen student learning and improve instruction; and designing for inclusion, differentiation, and inquiry).

LEARNER OUTCOMES:

Over the course of the semester, students will:

- 1) Further develop a deeper conceptual understanding of the historical, socio-cultural, political contexts of the *discipline of Inclusive Education*, and relate this to curriculum planning in the specialization area;
- 2) Identify and critique the *key learning perspectives* (as outlined in the front matter of the Programs of Study) and *intentions* (learning objectives) across the units in a grade from the Alberta Programs of Studies;
- 3) Successfully apply theoretical knowledge to the design of a longer-term unit and assessment plan.

COURSE DESIGN AND DELIVERY:

This course will be delivered face-to-face on campus with possible engagement in a D2L environment.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK:

Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). *What really works in special and inclusive education*, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.

Print copy:

https://ucalgary.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01UCALG_INST/1rf6mu5/alma991028885711504336

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[BookShelf\(VitalSource\)](#) ; [Kobo](#) ; [Amazon Kindle](#) ; [Google Play Books](#) ; [Apple Books](#) ; [RedShelf](#) ; [ebooks.com](#)

REQUIRED READINGS:

Alberta Education. (2010). *Making a difference: Meeting diverse learning needs with differentiated instruction*. Retrieved from <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/9780778586012>

Friesen, S., Saar, C, Park, A., Marcotte C. Hampshire, T., Martin, B., Brown, B, & Martin, J. (2015). *Focus on inquiry*. Calgary, AB: Galileo Education Network. Retrieved from <http://inquiry.galileo.org/>

Meyer, R, Rose, D. H. & Gordon, D. (2014). *Universal design for learning: Theory and practice*. Wakefield, MA.: CAST. Retrieved from <http://udltheorypractice.cast.org/home>
<https://ebookcentral-proquest-com.ezproxy.lib.ucalgary.ca/lib/ucalgary-ebooks/detail.action?docID=4603679>

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

Alberta Education. (2010). *Inspiring education: A dialogue with Albertans*. Edmonton, AB: Government of Alberta. Retrieved from: <https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/45370ce9-3a90-4ff2-8735-cdb760c720f0/resource/2ee2452c-81d3-414f-892f-060caf40e78e/download/4492270-2010-inspiring-education-dialogue-albertans-2010-04.pdf>

Alberta Education. (2013). *Ministerial order on student learning*. Edmonton, AB: Government of Alberta. Retrieved from: <https://education.alberta.ca/media/1626588/ministerial-order-on-student-learning.pdf>

Alberta Education. (2013). *Teaching quality standard applicable to the provision of basic education in Alberta*. Retrieved from: https://education.alberta.ca/media/1626523/english-tqs-card-2013_3.pdf

Alberta Education. (2013). *The inclusive education library*. Edmonton, AB: Government of Alberta. Retrieved from: <http://www.learnalberta.ca/content/ieptlibrary/>

Alberta Education. (2015). *Supporting positive behavior in Alberta schools*. Edmonton, AB: Government of Alberta. Retrieved from: <http://www.learnalberta.ca/content/inspb1/html/introduction.html>

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Alberta Learning. (2004). *Standards for Special Education, Amended June 2004*. Retrieved from: <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/0778537781>

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- Edmonton Regional Learning Consortium. (2016). *Engaging all learners*. Retrieved from: <http://www.engagingalllearners.ca/>
- Finley, Todd. (2014, Jul 31). Planning the best curriculum unit ever [blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.edutopia.org/blog/planning-best-curriculum-unit-ever-todd-finley>
- Friesen, S. (2009). *Teaching effectiveness: A framework and rubric*. Toronto, ON: Canadian Education Association. Retrieved from <http://www.galileo.org/cea-2009-wdydist-teaching.pdf>
- Special Education Council of the Alberta Teachers' Association. (2007). *BOATS: Behaviour, observation, assessment, teaching strategies*, 3rd Edition published 2016. Retrieved from: <https://www.teachers.ab.ca/SiteCollectionDocuments/ATA/Publications/Professional-Development/PD-224-BOATS%20Book-2016%2009.pdf>
- Towle, Helena. (2015). *Disability and inclusion in Canadian education: Policy, procedure, and practice*. Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives. Retrieved from: <https://www.policyalternatives.ca/publications/reports/disability-and-inclusion-canadian-education>
- Wiggins, G. (2005). *Understanding by Design*. Retrieved from: Vanderbilt University Center for Teaching. <https://cft.vanderbilt.edu/guides-sub-pages/understanding-by-design/>

LEARNING TASKS OVERVIEW

LEARNING TASK	DESCRIPTION OF LEARNING TASK	GROUP / INDIVIDUAL	WEIGHT	DUE DATE
Learning Task 1	Inquiry Project	Individual	30%	September 20
Learning Task 2	Unit Plan and IPP	Individual	45%	October 18
Learning Task 3	Evolving Conceptual Understanding of the Discipline/ Mini Lesson Presentations	Group	25%	October 25

I. Learning Task 1: Inquiry Project, 30%

Due: September 20, 2023

For this assignment, students will develop a topic of inquiry/key question to be explored within the discipline. This question could emerge from class discussions, readings, and experiences in the field. The inquiry should be connected to the development of your final longer-term unit plan (Assignment 2). This inquiry project should help you progress towards the unit plan through investigation of a related topic that is vital to supporting students in an inclusive classroom. Students will investigate this topic through research into resources within the discipline. Findings of the inquiry project will be shared electronically and uploaded into Drop Box on D2L on the date due. The inquiry project can include text, visuals, media, and links. Be creative in the development of this inquiry. Required elements of this project include:

1. A well developed and thought-provoking overarching question of inquiry
2. Well researched text and visual presentation of findings/responses, as well as questions and concerns that remain.
3. List of resources used in the project completion and ways to find them. (This should be presented as a reference page)

Assessment Criteria for Learning Task 1

Inquiry projects will be assessed on the following criteria:

1. Quality and meaningfulness of research question and resources used in investigation
 - Clarity of presentation of the inquiry question
 - Fullness of rationale for the question
 - Meaningfulness to pre-service teachers within the discipline
 - Significance and relevance of resources; correct citation
2. Overall Presentation of findings
 - Organization, clarity, and succinctness of findings
 - Specificity of references made to resources
 - Effectiveness of writing to convey the brainstorming and key findings of the inquiry
 - Strength of summary of findings
3. Design elements used in representation of inquiry question and findings
 - Effectiveness of visuals in depicting issues raised in inquiry
 - Clear, relevant, and striking use of visuals and/or technology links to media
 - Connectedness between inquiry question, supporting text, and use of visual content

Summary of Grading Based on Above Criteria – Learning Task 1

An *A+ to A* project will present a significant research question with a clear rationale and exceptional explication of findings that are organized, well written, and supported. The inquiry project will employ engaging and clearly connected visuals.

An *A- to B+* project will be guided by a good research question with a supporting rationale and generally well written and developed findings that are paired with research support and some examples. The inquiry project will include mainly relevant and strong visuals.

A *B to C+* project may present a roughly sketched research question in need of some refinement, a somewhat developed rationale, and findings that are lacking in some clarity, development, and/or examples. The inquiry project will include many images and files, but may not be complete or may hold examples that are not connected to the project.

II. Learning Task 2: Design a Unit Plan and IPP, 45%

Due: October 18, 2023

This learning task consists of two parts: **a unit plan and an IPP**. For this assignment, students will work independently to design a unit plan, illustrative of key aspects of universal design and differentiated instruction introduced in this course. Through your planning, you will demonstrate your ability to plan meaningful learning experiences for all students and will demonstrate your ability to differentiate and make accommodations to support student learning.

Although you may choose your subject area, **you are required to select from the core subjects: language arts, social studies, science or mathematics.** You will write one IPP for a student with an identified exceptionality, extracting key information from a formal academic assessment that will be provided. Your goals and objectives will be reflective of the unit you have developed. Your final unit plan will also demonstrate appropriate universal design elements to include a variety of exceptionalities in your plan of instruction and assessment.

Assessment Criteria for Learning Task 2:

UNIT PLANNING	Needs Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
Comprehensive Unit Plan (Dates and Title of the unit; Learning Outcomes with Reference to the Program of Studies; Objectives of the unit as a whole; Scope and Sequence of Lessons including Activities; Resources: Differentiation; Assessment; Reflection)	(≤1)	(3)	(-)
Authentic and engaged learning Learning is meaningful and relevant to students and to the broader community, and that are of real concern, central to the discipline and aligned with the Program of Studies.	(< 3)	(3-4)	(5)
Balanced assessment Assessment of learning provides a comprehensive and holistic picture of student learning and competencies.	(≤6)	(7-8)	(9)
Differentiated learning Addresses the diversity and range of students' needs (must include three ways in which your plan addresses the diverse needs of students, one of which must include ELL strategies or integration).	(≤6)	(7-8)	(9)
IPP	Needs Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
Student Information •Collate student background information, including home life, personal profile, and perspectives •Clearly identify strengths and needs •Provide a well-defined baseline of current performance and achievement	(≤3)	(4-5)	(6)
Assessment •Concisely summarize the pertinent parts of the professional evaluation •Outline specific assessment procedures for informally and formally evaluating student progress •Conduct formal review of progress at scheduled reporting periods with timeline and dates	(≤6)	(7-8)	(9)
Goals/Objectives • State 3 SMART long-term goals that are clearly generated from and aligned with the professional assessment • Write 3 DIFFERENT actionable objectives (focusing on different skills)for each long term goal • Identify effective strategies to achieve the objectives	(≤12)	(13-14)	(15)
Strategies/ Transition Plan • Create an achievable, relevant transition plan for school-day changes and placement change	(≤2)	(3)	(4)

III. Learning Task 3: Evolving Conceptual Understanding of the Discipline/Presentations (25%) Due: October 25, 2023

Learning Task 3 consists of two components:

Part 1: You will design an interactive and engaging mini-lesson for your classmates highlighting accommodations used to support students with learning challenges. You will use as guidance for this mini-lesson the topics in our textbook, *What Really Works in Special and Inclusive Education* by David Mitchell. In doing so, you will create an opportunity to practice and utilize teaching strategies that you can draw upon in your field experience and that will enhance teaching skills and ability to work with diverse learners.

Part 2: You will create a one page description of one specific learning challenge and some of the teaching strategies that can be used to specifically support a child who struggles with this learning challenge in the classroom. Specific format to be discussed in class.

All contributions to the class resource must include the following information:

- A detailed description of the learning challenge and how it may present itself in a classroom including any related challenges the child may experience as a result of the learning challenge.
- Detailed description of the teaching strategies that can be used to support the student and why these strategies have been selected.
- Additional resources (print, visual, websites, technology etc) that can be used to further inform teaching and learning in the classroom.

Assessment Criteria for Learning Task 3:

Working with your peers and instructor, you will complete the assessment rubric below:

Assessment Element		Emergent but needs improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations
Presentation	Quality of Presentation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear • Comprehensive • Insightful • Interactive/Engaging 	
	Demonstrated Understanding of teaching strategy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant to elementary school context • Exemplars provided to demonstrate use in elementary classroom. 	
Written Contribution	Quality of One-Page Submission		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear • Comprehensive • Insightful • Free from error (spelling, grammar, punctuation, sentence structure) 	
	Demonstrated Understanding of Learning Challenge and Supports		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear and comprehensive description of learning challenge and teaching strategies identified • Accurate citation of resources identified and/or used 	

WEEKLY COURSE SCHEDULE:
CHANGES TO SCHEDULE:

Please note that changes to the schedule may occur to meet the emerging needs and dynamics of the participants in the course.

Topics/Themes	Tasks
September 6, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome & Introduction • Reviewing framework for <i>Elementary Inclusion Practice</i> in Alb • Review Differentiation 	<p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Welcome, Introductions ii. Review Course Outline iii. Begin inquiry project iv. Set up for presentation of mini-lessons v. Review of lesson planning vi. Differentiation vii. Participate in D2L Course Cafe <p><i>Suggested Readings:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alberta Teachers' Association: Blue Ribbon Report • Inspiring Education • Engaging all Learners • Ministerial Order on Learning, 2013 • Education Act • KSAs
September 13, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing a deeper conceptual understanding of the historical, socio-cultural, political contexts of <i>Elementary Inclusion Practice</i>. 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Review of inclusive practice frameworks</i> • <i>Case Study, brainstorm in breakout groups, large group discussion.</i> • <i>Unit planning</i> <p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Work on Learning Task #1: Inquiry ii. Strategy 1 Student-led mini-lesson iii. Strategy 2 Student-led mini-lesson <p><i>Readings for this week:</i> Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chapter 7</i> • <i>Chapter 8</i>
September 20, 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing a deeper conceptual understanding of the historical, socio-cultural, political contexts of <i>Elementary Inclusion Practice</i> 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>RTI review</i> • <i>Instructional strategies</i> • <i>Formative Assessment</i>

Topics/Themes	Tasks
	<p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. RTI Case Study ii. Strategy 3 Student-led mini-lesson iii. Strategy 4 Student-led mini-lesson iv. Strategy 22 and 23 Student-led mini-lesson v. Complete Inquiry project <p><i>Readings for this week:</i> Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chapter 9</i> • <i>Chapter 10</i> • <i>Chapter 28</i> • <i>Chapter 29</i> <p>Learning Task #1 Due – Sept. 20, 2023</p>
<p>September 27, 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and critique the key learning perspectives and intentions in the Alberta Programs of Study • Writing an IPP • Writing a Behaviour Support Plan 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Writing an IPP</i> • <i>Writing a behaviour support plan (BSP)</i> • <i>Case Study, brainstorm in breakout groups, large group discussion.</i> • <i>Teaching strategies/presentations</i> <p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Develop and complete a behavior support plan (BSP) ii. Begin writing IPP based on case study provided iii. Strategy 6 Student-led mini-lesson iv. Strategy 7 Student-led mini-lesson <p><i>Readings for this week:</i> Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chapter 12</i> • <i>Chapter 13</i>
<p>October 4, 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a Unit and Assessment Plan 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Writing clear long-term goals and short-term objectives</i> • <i>Understanding assessment and the link to goals and objectives</i> • <i>Differentiating instruction and assessment</i> • <i>Case Study, brainstorm in breakout groups, large group discussion.</i> • <i>Teaching strategies/presentations</i>

Topics/Themes	Tasks
	<p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Complete writing a behavior support plan (BSP) ii. Complete writing IPP based on case study provided iii. Begin unit plan iv. Strategy 13 Student-led mini-lesson v. Strategy 8 Student-led mini-lesson <p><i>Required readings for this week:</i></p> <p>Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 19 • Chapter 14 <p>Wiggins, G. (2005). <i>Understanding by Design</i>. ASCD</p> <p>Finley, Todd: https://www.edutopia.org/blog/planning-best-curriculum-unit-ever-todd-finley</p>
<p>October 11, 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a Unit and Assessment Plan 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit planning • UbD • Teaching strategies/presentations <p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work on Unit Plan and IPP • Strategy 10 Student-led mini-lesson • Strategy 12 Student-led mini-lesson <p><i>Readings for this week:</i></p> <p>Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapter 16 • Chapter 18
<p>October 18, 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designing a Unit and Individualized Program Plan 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit planning • Writing IPP • Teaching strategies/presentations <p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Feedback and Revisions to Unit Plan and IPP/BSP ii. Strategy 16 Student-led mini-lesson iii. Strategy 17 Student-led mini-lesson

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	<p><i>Readings for this week:</i> Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chapter 22</i> • <i>Chapter 23</i> <p>Learning Task #2 Due – October 18, 2023</p>
<p>October 25, 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying the Big Ideas that underpin the overarching learning objectives in a discipline 	<p><i>Content:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Additional strategies to support students with learning challenges</i> • <i>The language and acronyms in inclusive education</i> • <i>Lingering questions or areas of inquiry</i> • <i>Wrap up and Review</i> <p><i>Tasks for this week:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Learning Task 3 Strategy 18 Student-led mini-lesson Strategy 19 Student-led mini-lesson Strategy 20 Student-led mini-lesson <p><i>Readings for this week:</i> Mitchell, D., Sutherland, D. (2020). <i>What really works in special and inclusive education</i>, 3rd Edition. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chapter 24</i> • <i>Chapter 25</i> • <i>Chapter 26</i> <p>Assignment #3 Due – October 25, 2023</p>

THE EXPECTATION OF EXCELLENCE IN PROFESSIONAL WORK

Please review the Academic Calendar carefully. It describes the program and provides detailed schedules and important dates. It contains information on expectations for student work and professional conduct. In addition, procedures are described regarding concern about student performance in the program. Please pay especially careful attention to details and descriptions in the following topic areas:

- *The Importance of Attendance and Participation in Every Class*

As this is a professional program, experiences are designed with the expectation that all members will be fully involved in all classes and in all coursework experiences. As you are a member of a learning community your contribution is vital and highly valued, just as it will be when you take on the professional responsibilities of being a teacher. We expect that you will not be absent from class with the exception of documented instances of personal or family illness or for religious requirements.

- *Engagement in Class Discussion and Inquiry*

Another reason for the importance of attendance and participation in every class is that the course involves working with fellow students to share ideas and thinking. For example, each class you will work with a small group to engage fellow students in discussions on work being considered in class. You will also help other groups by providing ideas for scholarly inquiry in assignments. If you find that you are experiencing difficulties as a group collaborating, please inform the instructor.

EXPECTATIONS FOR WRITING

All written assignments (including, to a lesser extent, written exam responses) will be assessed at least partly on writing skills. Writing skills include not only surface correctness (grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, etc.) but also general clarity and organization. Sources used in research papers must be properly documented. If you need help with your writing, you may use the writing support services in the Learning Commons. For further information, please refer to the official online University of Calgary Calendar, Academic Regulations, E. Course Information, E.2: Writing Across the Curriculum: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-2.html>

LATE SUBMISSIONS

All late submissions of assignments must be discussed with the instructor **prior to the due date**. Students may be required to provide written documentation of extenuating circumstances (e.g. statutory declaration, doctor's note, note from the University of Calgary Wellness Centre, obituary notice). A deferral of up to 30 days may be granted at the discretion of the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs prior to the end of the course with accompanying written evidence.

ISSUES WITH GROUP TASKS

With respect to group work, if your group is having difficulty collaborating effectively, please contact the instructor immediately. If a group is unable to collaborate effectively or discuss course materials online in a timely manner, the instructor may re-assign members to different groups or assign individual work for completion.

GRADING

Grade	GPA Value	%	Description per U of C Calendar
A+	4.0	95-100	Outstanding
A	4.0	90-94	Excellent – Superior performance showing comprehensive understanding of the subject matter
A-	3.7	85-89	
B+	3.3	80-84	
B	3.0	75-79	Good - clearly above average performance with knowledge of subject matter generally complete
B-	2.7	70-74	
C+	2.3	65-69	
C	2.0	60-64	Satisfactory - basic understanding of the subject matter
C-	1.7	55-59	
D+	1.3	52-54	Minimal pass - Marginal performance
D	1.0	50-51	
F	0.0	49 and lower	Fail - Unsatisfactory performance

Students in the B.Ed. program must have an overall GPA of 2.5 in the semester to continue in the program without repeating courses.

Academic Accommodation

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The student accommodation policy can be found at: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Accommodation-Policy.pdf>. Students needing an accommodation because of a disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities: [ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf](https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf). Students needing an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to their Instructor.

Academic Misconduct

For information on academic misconduct and its consequences, please see the University of Calgary Calendar at <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>

Attendance/ Prolonged Absence

Students may be asked to provide supporting documentation for an exemption/special request. This may include, but is not limited to, a prolonged absence from a course where participation is required, a missed course assessment, a deferred examination, or an appeal. Students are encouraged to submit documentation that will support their situation. Supporting documentation may be dependent on the reason noted in their personal statement/explanation provided to explain their situation. This could be medical certificate/documentation, references, police reports, invitation letter, third party letter of support or a statutory declaration etc. The decision to provide supporting documentation that best suits the situation is at the discretion of the student.

Falsification of any supporting documentation will be taken very seriously and may result in disciplinary action through the Academic Discipline regulations or the Student Non-Academic Misconduct policy.

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/n-1.html>

The Freedom of Information Protection of Privacy Act prevents instructors from placing assignments or examinations in a public place for pickup and prevents students from access to exams or assignments other than their own. Therefore, students and instructors may use one of the following options: return/collect assignments during class time or during instructors' office hours, students provide instructors with a self-addressed stamped envelope, or submit/return assignments as electronic files attached to private e-mail messages.

For additional resources including, but not limited to, those aimed at wellness and mental health, student success or to connect with the Student Ombuds Office, please visit

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines>

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