

COVID-19 Class Attendance Modification Policy 2021-2022

COVID-19-related Factors that may warrant class attendance modifications:

John Carroll University will resume primarily in-person instruction for the 2021-2022 academic year. However, remote participation *for the entire semester* can be sought as a modification for students with conditions, as [defined by the CDC](#), who have a high risk for severe illness as a result of COVID-19.

Remote participation may also be requested *on a temporary basis* for students who require modifications because they are following medical guidance after a positive COVID-19 test, COVID-19 exposure, symptom expression, or out-of-state or similar travel-related quarantine requirements; in such cases, students should work with the Academic Success Center.

Procedure for students NOT registered with Student Accessibility Services:

If you have concerns about attending classes in person due to factors outlined in the first paragraph above, you may submit a request for a modification using the form (include link & name), which will then be evaluated by the Class Attendance Modification (CAM) Committee. The five-person committee is made up representatives from the College of Arts & Sciences, the Boler College of Business, the Graduate School, Financial Aid, and the CARE Team. The committee may ask for additional information as it deems necessary to evaluate the request. If the committee recommends a modification based on the information presented, then the faculty member can determine whether the recommendation is appropriate for that course. Applicants will receive emailed updates on requested modifications. Decisions by the CAM committee or individual faculty members during this process are final and not subject to further appeal.

Procedure for students registered with Student Accessibility Services:

If a student is unable to attend classes in person due to a documented disability, reasonable accommodations can be requested through Student Accessibility Services (SAS). Students eligible for remote participation are approved on a semester basis. Requests may be submitted to sas@jcu.edu. Please see additional information at [Student Accessibility Services at JCU](#).

COVID-19 Class Attendance Modification Request Form (Spring 2022)

A. You may submit a request for semester-long COVID-related attendance modifications if you have a **medical condition or another factor that puts you at a higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19**, as [defined by the CDC](#) (e.g., age, obesity, pregnancy) (see FAQ for details).

Please provide a brief explanation if you meet one of these criteria:

B. If you do not meet one of the criteria listed above, but if you have a medical condition not included in the CDC health factors that you believe is affected by COVID-19 or some other pandemic-related reason that makes it unsafe for you to attend class in person—such as high-risk family members or people in your care—please describe your concern below:

C. If you wish to seek a disability-related accommodation, which is distinct from any recommendations for academic modifications granted pursuant to this process, then you must contact [Student Accessibility Services](#).

D. If you have **tested positive for COVID-19** and are isolating in your residence or you are in **quarantine due to COVID-19 exposure, symptom expression, or out-of-state travel requirements**, you may apply for remote class participation on a *temporary* basis by contacting the **Academic Success Center** (academicsuccess@jcu.edu; 216-397-4219).

Review and Approval of Requests

Remote participation, if recommended by the Class Attendance Modification Committee and then approved by your instructor, is on a per-semester basis. Previously eligible students will not be automatically eligible for future semesters.

Requests should be made in a timely manner, at least *five days* prior to the start of the semester. Later requests will be considered, but course delivery options may be limited once the semester has begun. Students who elect to participate online for the semester may not be able to attend in person once that election is made and approved.

I attest that the information provided above is accurate:

Student Name (printed): _____

Banner number: _____ Email: _____

Cell phone number: _____

Student signature: _____