

Policy number: 202

Subject/Title: Maximum Students in Class

Effective Date: Spring 2011

Policy Statement: Courses required for any degree plan, including recommended minors and breadth courses, with enrollment of over 50 students will be divided into additional sections. The department will open a second section of the course in the same term or implement a teaching plan with a student to faculty ratio of less than or equal to 50:1 (for example, multiple faculty might share the same section and lectures but be responsible for a smaller number of students in group activities and grading). Exceptions can be granted through application to the Office of the Dean. This policy applies to in-person, online and Interactive Television (ITV) courses.

Reason for Policy: The proposed policy is regarding courses that are required for a degree plan. Courses will be offered equitably to students at all campuses on a schedule that supports progress toward completion of a degree program. However, UTHealth School of Public Health seeks to maintain a quality teaching/learning environment, and classes should contain a maximum of 50 students per class.

Definitions: N/A

Scope and Audience: All UTHealth School of Public Health faculty and students

Responsibilities and Procedures: Department Chairs/Department Curriculum Committees

Related Policies, Forms and Information:

History: Approved by Academic Council: August 2011
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