


Category	Enrollment and Registration	Policy Number	ACA-REG-104	 جامعة زايد ZAYED UNIVERSITY
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POLICY

Student Maternity Leave

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to support married students who give birth in a given semester.

2. Scope of Application

This policy applies to the semester in which a Zayed University student delivers her baby.

3. Policy

3.1 The student is allowed to suspend her registration for the semester in which the baby is expected to be born.

3.1.1 A maternity suspension is not counted towards the total number of allowed suspensions.

3.1.2 In order for the student to maintain her Priority 1 status by re-registering after a period of suspension of less than one (1) year (see MOE Federal HEI Financing System 2022, Student Categories), a maternity suspension must not be for the semester immediately before or after any other suspension.

- Students who lose their Priority 1 status are responsible for arranging their own funding for the remaining tuition fees until they complete their graduation requirements (see MOE Federal HEI Financing System 2022, Financing Term).

3.2 If a student chooses not to utilize a semester maternity attendance suspension but chooses to deliver her baby and return to complete the semester, she must stay within the 15% total semester absence requirement to receive credit for the class.

4. Related Policies and Laws

ACA-REG-101 Undergraduate Enrollment and Registration

ACA-REG-102 Undergraduate Student Attendance

Ministry of Education Federal Higher Education Institution Financing System 2022

5. Administration

This policy is administered by the Registrar's Office.

6. Revision History

Date	Revision
17 May 2023	President's Decision issued (PD#44 of 2023).
3 May 2023	Endorsed by the Executive Committee subject to adding information about students who lose their P1 status being responsible for their own funding (3.1.2). Action completed.
1 May 2023	Endorsed by the Academic Council subject to a rewording of 3.1.2 to clarify why a maternity suspension should not come immediately before or after another suspension. Action completed.
23 February 2023	Endorsed by the Provost's Council.
13 February 2023	Endorsed by the Deans' Council. Updated the information header, the related policy numbers, and the policy number from ACA-REG-08 to ACA-REG-104.
23 January 2023	Presented to the Academic Council. Tabled for further discussion with CAFO before being returned to DC.
28 October 2022	Endorsed by the Provost's Council with no changes required.
17 October 2022	Endorsed by the Deans' Council with no changes required.
14 September 2022	Added information to Article 3.1 to be in line with Enrollment and Registration Policy/Procedures.
24 September 2020	Non-substantive changes approved by the Provost.
24 November 2019	Updated the policy group, the policy numbers, the Responsible Office, the Administration, and format.
25 May 2008	Policy approved.