### [**Note to instructors**: Effective Fall 2021, course syllabi must comply with new University Senate policies regarding the syllabus. This syllabus template has been updated to reflect these new policies, although many syllabi already meet or can easily be updated to meet the new requirements. In addition to what must be included in a syllabus, there are other items that instructors may choose to include. Boilerplate language for some common “optional” sections is at the end of this document. Details about the Senate’s new policies on syllabi are available on the Senate’s webpage for [Course Syllabi (Effective Fall 2021)](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/syllabi). Text within this template in brackets is guidance for the instructor; italicized text indicates sample language.]

Course: ABC 123-002

Title: Course Title

Term:

Credit hours:

Meeting days/time/location:

# Instructor Information

Name:

Email:

Office building and room number:

Office phone: (859)

Office hours:

### [**Note to instructors**: For courses delivered via distance learning instruction, syllabi must include the three items below.

### Virtual office hours:

### Preferred method of communication:

### Maximum timeframe for responding to student communications:

### All other aspects of syllabi are the same for face-to-face courses and distance learning courses.]

# Course Description

[Provide a course description that generally corresponds to the description in the Schedule of Classes.]

# Course Prerequisites

[List course prerequisites, if any, or include prerequisites in the “Course Description,” above.]

# Required Materials

[Describe textbooks, lab materials, required readings, films, etc.]

# Associated Expenses

[If applicable, list expenses for items other than “Required Materials,” such as costs for field trips, proctoring fees, or polling software devices.]

# Activities Outside of Regular Class Meetings

[If applicable, describe activities outside of regularly scheduled class-required interactions, such as special events and field trips.]

# Skill and Technology Requirements

[If applicable, list specific technical/digital literacy skills or software that are required. Include the preferred procedure for resolving technical issues for each service or software used in the course.]

*For technical/account help, students can contact Information Technology Services by phone 859-218-HELP (4357) and via the* [*ITS Customer Services*](https://www.uky.edu/its/customer-support-student-it-enablement/customer-services) *page. (*[*https://www.uky.edu/its/customer-support-student-it-enablement/customer-services*](https://www.uky.edu/its/customer-support-student-it-enablement/customer-services)*)*

# Student Learning Outcomes

[Provide learning outcomes, which are a description of what a student will be able to do upon completion of the course.]

*After completing this course, the student will be able to:*

*Describe something*

*Analyze an issue and develop a solution*

*Prepare a document for…*

# Course Details

## Tentative Course Schedule

[At a minimum include due dates of major assignments and exams. More detailed information must also be provided, either within the syllabus or located on another platform, such as a Learning Management System (e.g., Canvas).]

## Course Activities and Exams

[Provide a descriptive/linear list of activities and exams. The syllabus must include language that describes to students how their grades will be calculated. As applicable, include the following: a list of activities with enough description for students to understand the course requirements; the factors used in determining grades (e.g., absences, required interactions, or late assignments); and due dates. The greater the percentage of the grade, the more detailed the description should be. If applicable, include a caveat that the course schedule can be changed and explain under what circumstances they can be changed. If participation/interactions are graded, clarify the meaning of "participation/interaction." If applicable, describe how individual students are assessed in group work.]

## Grading Scale

[Describe the course grading scale. If the course is at the 400G- or 500-level, it must have a grading scale for both undergraduate and graduate students. There must also be differentiated expectations for undergraduate and graduate students. The differential expectations involve either the graduate students completing additional or distinct assignments that are consistent with graduate-level scholarship, or the graduate students being subject to different grading criteria that reflects the higher (graduate) standard. The “D” grade is not applicable to graduate students.]

*Sample grading scale for undergraduate students:*

*90 – 100% = A*

*80 – 89% = B*

*70 – 79% = C*

*60 – 69% = D*

*Below 60% = E*

*Sample grading scale for graduate students:*

*90 – 100% = A*

*80 – 89% = B*

*70 – 79% = C*

*Below 70%= E*

## Midterm Grades

*For undergraduates, midterm grades will be posted in myUK by the deadline established by the University Senate and published in the* [*Academic Calendar*](http://www.uky.edu/registrar/content/academic-calendar)*. (*[*http://www.uky.edu/registrar/content/‌academic-calendar*](http://www.uky.edu/registrar/content/‌academic-calendar)*)*

## Attendance Policy/Acceptable Documentation

[If applicable, include the course attendance policy and what constitutes acceptable documentation for excused absences, e.g. a letter from an institution or provider, or published information. Include any policy related to absences due to major religious holidays. Penalties for unexcused absences must be listed in the course syllabus; if an attendance policy is not described in the syllabus, students cannot be penalized for lack of attendance.]

# Assignment Policies

## Assignment Submissions

[If applicable, explain that assignments must be submitted via a certain method, such as email or via a specific software program or file type.]

## Returning Assignments to Students

[If stated in the syllabus, an instructor may have a policy to not return exams (and other graded material) to students, if students have reasonable access to their exams (and other graded material) during at least one regularly scheduled class meeting.]

## Late Assignments

[Explain if late assignments are accepted for unexcused absences and if there are penalties or time limits for work submitted after the due date. (Per the [University Senate Rules](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/rules-regulations), within some guidelines late assignments must always be accepted for excused absences. (<https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/‌rules-regulations>)]

## Assignments Due during Prep Week

[If applicable, describe what assignments will be due during Prep Week. No project, lab practical, paper, presentation deadline or oral/listening examination can be scheduled during Prep Week unless it was scheduled in the syllabus AND the course has no final examination (or assignment that acts as a final examination) scheduled during finals week. A course with a lab component may schedule the lab practical of the course during Prep Week if the lab portion does not also require a final examination during finals week. For the fall and spring semesters only, the final exam period is preceded by two Reading Days and a weekend. During that time period, instructors cannot schedule any required interactions (required class meeting or event attendance, due date, etc.), unless it is a weekend class.]

# Academic Policy Statements

[Syllabi must include either a link to the Senate’s [Academic Policy Statements](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/acadpolicy), or a copy and paste of the text at that URL. (<https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/acadpolicy>)]

# Academic Offenses (Cheating, Plagiarism, and Falsification or Misuse of Academic Records)

[Syllabi for undergraduate- and graduate-level classes must include either a link to the Senate-maintained web page of [Rules Regarding Academic Offenses](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/ao) or a copy and paste of the text at that URL. (<https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/ao>) Syllabi for professional-level classes must include that program's rules on academic offenses or a link to a page with that information. (There is no Senate-maintained web page with academic offense policies for professional courses.)]

# Resources

[Describe specific resources that may be useful to students, such as UK’s [Distance Learning Library Services](https://libraries.uky.edu/page.php?lweb_id=1020), [Tutoring and Coaching Resources](https://www.uky.edu/studentacademicsupport/free-tutoring-and-coaching-resources), proctoring information, etc. (<https://libraries.uky.edu/‌page.php?lweb_id=1020>, <https://www.uky.edu/studentacademicsupport/free-tutoring-and-coaching-resources>)]

# Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

[Instructors must include a URL to or text of a statement on diversity, equity, and inclusion approved by a relevant faculty body. Any faculty body-approved statement meets this requirement, including the Senate Council-approved [Syllabus Statement on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/syllabus-dei). (<https://www.uky.‌edu/universitysenate/syllabus-dei>)]

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# [Optional] Student Resources

*The University offers a variety of resources to students. Visit the University Senate’s* [*Resources Available to Students*](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/student-resources) *to access that list (*[*https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/student-resources*](https://www.uky.edu/universitysenate/student-resources)*).*

# [Optional] Classroom Behavior Policies

Use this section to describe any policies that you enforce in your classroom, e.g., no cellphones or guidelines for respectful dialogue.

### [**Note regarding following optional statements on intellectual property:** Faculty have rights regarding their intellectual property, as described in [Administrative Regulation 7.6](https://www.uky.edu/regs/ar7-6). The two passages below regarding Course Recordings and Course Copyright can be included in syllabi, for faculty to assert these rights and grant various permissions to students. If included, the text on Course Recordings and the text on Course Copyright may be edited by the instructor(s) as appropriate for their courses and circumstances.]

# [Optional] Course Recordings

The University of Kentucky [Code of Student Conduct](https://www.uky.edu/studentconduct/code-student-conduct) defines Invasion of Privacy as using electronic or other devices to make a photographic, audio, or video record of any person without their prior knowledge or consent when such a recording is likely to cause injury or distress.

Meetings of this course may be recorded. All video and audio recordings of lecturers and class meetings, provided by the instructors, are for educational use by students in this class only. They are available only through the Canvas shell for this course and are not to be copied, shared, or redistributed.

As addressed in the Code of Student Conduct, students are expected to follow appropriate university policies and maintain the security of linkblue accounts used to access recorded class materials. Recordings may not be reproduced, shared with those not enrolled in the class, or uploaded to other online environments.

If the instructor or a University of Kentucky office plans any other uses for the recordings, beyond this class, students identifiable in the recordings will be notified to request consent prior to such use. In anticipation of such cases, students may be asked to complete an “authorization of use” form by a faculty member.

Video and audio recordings by students are not permitted during the class unless the student has received prior permission from the instructor. Any sharing, distribution, and or uploading of these recordings outside of the parameters of the class is prohibited. Students with specific recording accommodations approved by the Disability Resource Center should present their official documentation to the instructor.

# [Optional] Course Copyright

All original instructor-provided content for this course, which may include handouts, assignments, and lectures, is the intellectual property of the instructor(s). Students enrolled in the course this academic term may use the original instructor-provided content for their learning and completion of course requirements this term, but such content must not be reproduced or sold. Students enrolled in the course this academic term are hereby granted permission to use original instructor-provided content for reasonable educational and professional purposes extending beyond this course and term, such as studying for a comprehensive or qualifying examination in a degree program, preparing for a professional or certification examination, or to assist in fulfilling responsibilities at a job or internship; other uses of original instructor-provided content require written permission from the instructor(s) in advance.