

**WAC 172-135-060 Returning from a mandatory medical leave of absence.** A student requesting to return to the university after a mandatory leave of absence must notify the dean of his/her intention to return or reenroll approximately two months in advance of the anticipated return. The student must then meet with the dean or dean's designee. The dean will determine the student's readiness to return to assure the health, safety, and well-being of the student and the entire campus community. The dean will conduct an individualized review of the student's records to determine his or her readiness to return. The dean may request documentation to support the student's return including, but not limited to, medical evaluations, treatment plans, release of medical records, personal statements, and evidence of the ability to meet academic and conduct requirements. A returning student must provide medical documentation that he/she is able to perform the essential functions of a student, with or without an accommodation. The dean will provide the student with a written determination of whether or not the student may return, and any conditions imposed on such return. If the dean determines a student is not ready to return, the dean may issue a new notice of mandatory leave of absence. The new notice is subject to the appeal process set forth in this chapter.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.35.120(12) and 42.56.070. WSR 18-21-033, § 172-135-060, filed 10/5/18, effective 11/5/18.]