1. Title

Faculty or Staff Absence

2. Rule and Regulation

- Sec. 1 Statutory Requirement. In accordance with *Texas Education Code* Section 51.108, the Board of Regents is required to issue regulations concerning the authorized and unauthorized absence from duty of faculty members, including teaching assistants and research assistants.
- Sec. 2 Required Authorization. Authorization for any member of a faculty or staff to be absent from his or her usual and regular duties will be granted only, with permission from the Chancellor or president of the institution or their designee, under the following conditions:
 - 2.1 When such absence is on State business, and
 - 2.2 When appropriate provisions are made to carry on the duties of the absent person without additional expense to the institution; or
 - 2.3 In the case of military leave, not to exceed 15 working days each year.
- Sec. 3 Institutional Regulations. Permission to be absent from usual and regular duties shall be obtained as prescribed in institutional regulations.

3. Definitions

None

4. Relevant Federal and State Statutes

Texas Education Code Section 51.108 – Regulations Concerning Absence

5. Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms

None

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6. Who Should Know

Employees

7. System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule

Office of Academic Affairs
Office of Health Affairs

8. Dates Approved or Amended

Regents' Rules Revision History

9. Contact Information

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