

Student Reasons for Dropping

Understanding Our Students' Needs

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SBVC Reasons for Student Selection

- I no longer had reliable transportation.
- I could not afford to pay for the course materials.
- I became homeless and needed to find stable housing.
- I or a family member had issues related to physical health.
- I had to prioritize my mental health/psychological well-being.
- I had dependents I needed to care for.
- I had to prioritize work.
- I was not able to obtain the accessibility (ADA) accommodations I needed.
- I was uncomfortable with the class format (e.g., online learning, remote, hybrid, or in-person).
- I could not keep up with the pace of classes.
- I did not have a place to study and focus on homework.

- I did not have reliable technology or Internet to take classes.
- I did not like the instructor's teaching methods.
- I could not pay for tuition/fees.
- I felt I lacked support from my family.
- I did not feel like I belonged on campus.
- I felt I lacked support from campus.
- I could not make an appointment with or see a counselor.
- I dropped this course to take another one.
- I did not need this course to graduate/transfer.
- I am dropping to avoid a bad or undesirable grade in the class.
- Other (with write-in text box, if possible)

Timeline

01

By April 10th: Both Academic Senates will review their campus's proposed drop reasons list and provide any final feedback.

02

By April 17th: Research teams on both campuses (and District) will work to combine and finalize campus lists to remove duplication and ensure actionable or research-centered reasons are included.

03

April 25th: Finalized list will be shared with IEAC for feedback and approval.

04

May 7th: Final finalized list will go to Chancellor's Council for adoption, and changes will go into effect beginning Fall 2024.