

Class Enrollment by Members of the Instructor's Immediate Family

Summary/Purpose: Regulations are given regarding a faculty member's immediate family enrolling in a course taught by that faculty member. A definition of immediate family is given along with an explanation of procedures to follow for exceptions that may arise.

Because of the appearance of a potential conflict of interest, immediate family members at the University of Mississippi are discouraged from enrolling in courses taught by that faculty member. For the purpose of this policy, immediate family is defined to include parents, spouses, children, and descendants of the faculty member and his or her spouse. Situations may nevertheless arise where, in order to complete the requirements for a degree or to fulfill some other valid educational purpose, immediate family members may wish to enroll in a course taught by a faculty member.

Whenever an immediate family member of an instructor seeks to enroll in a course taught by that faculty member, the instructor must obtain explicit approval for such enrollment from the department chair and appropriate academic dean. In granting special permission for an immediate family member to enroll in the instructor's course, the department chairperson and dean may impose special conditions.