

Modifications to PCM Class Announcements for the Summer Session

At the start of every class meeting, students should watch/read the appropriate class announcement. The announcements are designed to ensure students are given details about the policies and procedures related to the Pre-Core Mathematics program. Items from the syllabus (such as the grading scheme and attendance policy) and details about the online system are explained in detail in an announcement.

A few policies are modified for classes offered during the summer session due to the shorten length of the semester. The modifications are listed below.

Day 1 gives an overview of the PCM program and discussing the key policies in the course syllabus

- Slide 4: For the summer session, students only need to purchase an 11-week subscription to ALEKS to cover the 10-week summer session.
- Slide 15: For the summer session, the attendance policy is modified as follows.
 - Bullet 1: Not attending class or not registering in ALEKS by the 5th day of UALR classes = 5 strikes.
 - Bullet 3: Spending less than 9 quality math hours in ALEKS each week = 1-2 strikes (for the online section, it's 12 hours each week)

Day 2 covers the following topics related to PCM: Temporary Access Code, ALEKS Learning Mode, Reading Report for Module Completion, Weekly Work Requirement, Progress versus Proctored Assessments

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 - Bullet 3: Spending less than 9 quality math hours in ALEKS each week = 1-2 strikes (for the online section, it's 12 hours each week)
- Slide 20: “Just remember, you must log in at least 9 quality math hours for each of OUR WEEKS. For those registered in the totally online sections, you are required to spend at least 12 hours each week!”

Day 3 covers information related to the modules of the PCM program, course grade, and YOUR next math class. (Handouts: [Goal of 4 Modules](#), [Goal of 5 Modules](#), [Goal of 6 Modules](#), [Goal of 8 Modules](#), [Goal of 10 Modules](#))

- All references to the length of a semester is 15 weeks long. The summer session is 10 weeks long.

Day 4 covers what it means to complete a module and take a proctored assessment.

- Slide 6: The Benton campus does not offer proctored assessments during the summer session.

Day 5 covers what it means to demonstrate mastery of a module.

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Day 7 covers the goal of the PCM program and tools to assist students in meeting the goal.

- Slide 2: "Minimum: 9 hours per week (12 hrs/wk for totally online section)"

Day 11 asks students to reflect on the module goals set for themselves at the beginning of the semester.

- Slide 5: The references to the week of the semester is based on the semester being 15 weeks long. But the summer session is 10 weeks long.

Day 12 talks about the 'time on the math' that is a course requirement.

- Remember, for the summer session students are required to spend at least 9 quality math hours each week (For those registered in the totally online section, the requirement is at least 12 hours each week.)

Day 14 covers the midterm grade in a PCM class.

- Midterm grades are not required to be published during the summer session. But you should already have an idea of your predicted grade based on your progress to this point. If not, speak with your classroom facilitator or PCM program coordinator.
- Slide 7: For the summer session students are required to spend at least 9 quality math hours each week (For the totally online section, the requirement is at least 12 hours each week.)

Day 18 discusses reasonable goals for the rest of the semester.

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Day 25 reminds students to email their classroom facilitator with any questions related to the PCM program.

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Day 27 comments on the final exam for a PCM course.

- For the summer session, the university gives finals on the last day of class. So, this will be the last opportunity to take a proctored module assessment during the summer session.