CU College of Nursing Inclement Weather Guidelines

The College of Nursing (CON) understands that under certain extreme weather conditions, students cannot and should not attempt to travel to campus or clinical sites. We recognize the Anschutz Medical Campus (AMC) rarely closes due to the nature of its education, practice, and research obligations that emphasize keeping the campus open. Please adhere to the following campus wide University policy located at:

http://www.ucdenver.edu/about/departments/HR/HRPoliciesGuidelines/Documents/CampusClosures.pdf

The CON will officially close if the Anschutz Medical Campus closes. Should this occur:

- Students are not expected to attend clinical assignments.
- Students are expected to contact the appropriate clinical supervisor as soon as possible to notify him or her.
- Students are not expected to attend class.
- Students will be responsible for any academic work missed due to absences caused by severe weather conditions.
- It is the individual student's responsibility to take the initiative to make up any missed class work.
- It is the faculty member's responsibility to provide a reasonable opportunity for students to complete assignments or examinations missed due to inclement weather.
- Faculty members have discretion in determining whether additional classes will be added for the class or if additional work is assigned due to a closure or delayed opening.

When there is inclement weather:

- All students are expected to exercise individual judgment regarding their ability to travel safely to campus when inclement weather is in the area.
  - Students are not expected to place travel for class attendance or clinical rotation above individual safety.
  - Students must assume responsibility for deciding if weather conditions are too hazardous to permit safe driving.
  - Students must notify their appropriate instructor(s)/preceptor/supervisor as soon as possible if not attending class or clinical.
If the Anschutz Campus delays opening, the CON will as well. The following guidelines apply:

- Students are expected to follow local media and the web site to find the specific time of opening: [www.ucdenver.edu/alert](http://www.ucdenver.edu/alert)
- Students are expected to report to their regularly scheduled classes when the campus opens.
- All classes scheduled prior to the set time of opening are cancelled for the day.

If a faculty member needs to cancel a class due to his/her inability to get to campus:

- The faculty will make every attempt to notify all students in that course as early as possible via Canvas or email.
- Students will be responsible to check their email or Canvas platform for information
- It is the faculty member’s responsibility to provide a reasonable opportunity for students to complete assignments or examinations missed due to inclement weather.
- Faculty members have discretion in determining whether additional classes will be added for the class or if additional work is assigned due to a closure or delayed opening.

For the CU South Denver Location

The College’s south Denver location is at a higher altitude and may receive very different snow totals than AMC. CU South Denver will follow the recommendations of their own Assistant Vice-Chancellor regarding delays or closures. The Assistant Vice-Chancellor will notify CU South Denver employees, students, and faculty by email and text message using the Ready Op notification system. This will be tested regularly and is updated based on CU South Denver’s badging system. Students and faculty for CU South Denver will follow this notification process for delayed openings or closure.