



# THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

**POLICY TITLE:** International Student Health Care Coverage

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 1, 2012

**APPROVAL BODY:** University Administration

## **POLICY PURPOSE**

### **1. Purpose of the Policy**

- 1.1. To set out the health care insurance coverage requirements for international students.

## **APPLICABILITY**

### **2. Jurisdiction**

- 2.1. This policy applies to all international students studying at the University.

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

Provost and Vice-President, Academic

## **KEY DEFINITIONS**

**International Student:** A student in possession of a study permit from the Canadian government, enrolled in a full-time program of study longer than 6 months, or a student in possession of a visitor's permit from the Canadian government, enrolled in a program of study less than 6 months.

**University:** Refers to the University of Winnipeg as defined by The University of Winnipeg Act.



## **POLICY ELEMENTS**

### **3. Policy Elements**

- 3.1. All international students must have adequate health care coverage as determined by the University as a condition of being enrolled as a student at the University. Adequate health care coverage will require at a minimum that international students have basic coverage and extended coverage.
- 3.2. Basic coverage may be satisfied by proof of health care coverage through the University or, where that is not available to the student, by proof of equivalent coverage through a health insurance provider satisfactory to the University.
- 3.3. Extended health care coverage for undergraduate and graduate students shall be satisfied by proof of coverage under an extended health care policy through the health insurance provider designated by the University of Winnipeg Students' Association.
- 3.4. Extended health care coverage for students in the University Collegiate, English Language Program (ELP), and Professional, Applied, and Continuing Education (PACE) program shall be satisfied by proof of coverage under an extended health care policy through the health insurance provider designated by the University.
- 3.5. The determination as to whether the health care coverage requirement has been satisfied is at the discretion of the University and the onus is on the student to establish that they have satisfied this requirement.



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- 3.6. The University will ensure compliance with this policy by establishing procedures and practices as required to ensure international students are aware of health care coverage responsibilities and benefits and have the health care coverage required under this policy.

## RELEVANT DATES

***Originally Issued:***      **September 1, 2012**

***Revised:***                      **December 11, 2018**

***Scheduled Review:***      **December, 2023**