## HDFS 3306.H01 Understanding Child and Adolescent Behavior: Poverty Risk and Resiliency for the TTU Honors College

## Attendance is key to your success in this course.

It is impossible to make up the interaction that takes place during a class, and you miss a great deal when you are not present. As a mature adult, you will be responsible for determining when it is necessary for you to be absent, and you are certainly encouraged to be out of class if you're feeling ill in order to protect yourself and others. Please see the illness-based absence policy below for further information related to the missing class due to illness. Attendance will be taken each class period. Attendance for the ENTIRE class is expected—please arrive on time and be prepared to stay until class is over in order to be counted present for that class session (students arriving more than 10 minutes after class begins, leaving prior to the end of class or using a cell phone, tablet or laptop in a distracting way or on non-class related materials may not be counted present for that class session at the discretion of the instructor).

Approximately 20% of your final grade will be based on attendance points. All students begin the semester with 100 attendance points. If you miss no more than three class meetings during the semester due to unexcused absences, you will receive the full credit for attendance. Point loss for attendance will occur based on the following formula: four unexcused absences=loss of 20 attendance points, five unexcused absences=loss of 60 attendance points, seven unexcused absences=loss of 80 attendance points, eight or more unexcused absences=loss of all attendance points resulting in an attendance grade of zero.

## **Illness Based Absence Policy**

If at any time during this semester you feel ill, in the interest of your own health and safety as well as the health and safety of your instructors and classmates, you are encouraged *not* to attend face-to-face class meetings or events.

Texas Tech is continually offering up to date guidelines for faculty, staff and students regarding COVID-19 safety protocols. You may access the most current information <u>here</u>. To access TTU's COVID-19 vaccination recommendations, please access <u>this link</u>. The University will follow CDC, State, and TTU System guidelines in continuing to manage the campus implications of COVID-19. Any changes affecting class policies or delivery modality will be in accordance with those guidelines and announced as soon as possible. For a complete and updated list of current TTU COVID-19 Protocols please visit <u>this</u> <u>link</u>.