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- Interview copy of schedule
- Residency Showcase photograph demonstrating attendance
- Other Events name badge, program, agenda, or photographic proof of attendance

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The professional leave request process will go through the online platform HSC-Net.

To log in to HSC-Net for the first time: <u>https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage</u> Click on the SIGN IN button in upper right-hand corner. Log in with your eRaider credentials. You may be prompted to accept the terms.

To find the form, you can click on the FORMS tab at the top and then search for "SOP Professional Leave".

The form can also be found at this link: https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/408694

You will fill out the entire form online.

If you are a P3 or P4 student with a non-faculty preceptor, you will need to have that non-faculty preceptor sign page 2 of this document and attach it to the online form. Non-faculty preceptors do not have access to HSC-Net to approve electronically. When your leave is approved, it is your responsibility to let your non-faculty preceptor know the leave has been approved. You can screenshot the screen in HSC-Net. Please copy Rebecca Perry (Amarillo, Abilene students) or Amanda Hines (Dallas, Lubbock students) on that communication.

Before you submit the form you will be asked to enter the email addresses of the team leaders of the courses you will be missing. Please pay close attention to the instructions on this page of the form.

- You can only enter 5 email addresses.
- Please do not include your Clinical Correlations team leaders. We will add those faculty members to the list for you, as including them will put you over the 5-email address limit.
- If you are missing a lab, put the team leader of the course the lab is attached to, not your lab instructor. Make sure that you do discuss your lab absence with your lab instructor to facilitate any make up you may need to do.

You will receive a confirmation email of your submission. If you have not ever logged into HSC-Net, and you do not get the confirmation email with a few minutes of submission, odds are that the confirmation has gone to your SPAM DIGEST. When you receive the next SPAM DIGEST in your inbox, find the email from noreply@engage.mail.campuslabs.com and click on Release and Allow next to it. That will send the email into your inbox and you will receive all system-generated emails after that.

You will receive approval for your leave via a comment (any time there is a comment on your submission, you will be notified by email) on the form – the leave will not be formally approved until you upload your documentation of attendance to the form as a comment upon your return. If you do not complete this part of the process, your leave will be denied and faculty will be notified that you should receive an unexcused absence.

Please direct any questions about this process to Amanda Hines - amanda.hines@ttushc.edu

## **Professional Leave Request Form - Non-faculty Preceptor ONLY**

This form should only be used if a P3 or P4 student is on a rotation with a non-faculty preceptor. This form must be signed by the non-faculty preceptor and uploaded by the student to the Professional Leave Request Form located in HSC-Net for approval by the Office of Professional Affairs.

Student Name:

Number of Days Requesting (class/rotation days only):

Dates Requesting (entire range of dates away):

Purpose of Leave/Event Name & Location:

Student Signature:

Date:

Non-faculty Preceptor Signature:

Date:

Preceptor Email Address:

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