

North Dakota State University

Policy Manual

SECTION 331.2

INSTRUCTORS AND STUDENTS AS FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

SOURCE: NDSU President

1. If a student and instructor in a class are family members, either may be placed in a position straining their relationship and the situation may raise questions of equity with other students. This situation, however, may be necessary; for example, a student may need a course for graduation taught only by a family member.
2. If the situation should arise where a student is a family member, the faculty member will immediately discuss the situation with his/her immediate supervisor. If there is an alternative class, the student should be encouraged to take the alternative class. In place of an alternative class, the supervisor must make arrangements for an independent review of the family member's grades or of other issues in the course.
3. Family members are defined by any of the following relationships: parent, daughter or son (including any such relationships by adoption), sibling, and spouse, consensual relationships as defined at https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/policy/162_1.pdf and any relationship in which the individuals share living quarters.

HISTORY:

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