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# How to submit your Tier 4 Attendance Form

This guide is designed to help you submit your Tier 4 Attendance Form via Salford Advantage. You should read the Attendance Policy for Tier 4 Students before submitting your form so that you know how often you should submit your form. As a **general rule** you should:

- submit your form once a week if you are on an Undergraduate or a taught
   Postgraduate programme of study
- submit your form or a timesheet once a week if you are on a work placement or exchange programme
- submit your form **once a month** if you have progressed to the **final stage of a taught Postgraduate programme of study** or if you are completing a **research programme**
- submit some evidence to us if you are unable to attend during that week or month, i.e. **if you are sick**

Depending on the type of programme you are currently studying on, you may need to submit a different type of form:

- if you are on a taught programme you will need to submit a Tier 4 Attendance Form
- if you are a research student you will need to submit a Research Supervisory Record Form
- if you are sick you will need to submit a form detailing your sickness and when you expect to return. This is called a Self Certificate for Sickness and it covers the first 7 days of sickness. If you are absent for more than one week you will need to submit a note from a Doctor or medical professional.

# **Using Salford Advantage**

You can access the Salford Advantage portal by clicking the 'Click here' button below:

Click here

Login using your network logon details

Complete each section of the form based on your attendance this week

Upload your form

Click 'Submit'

Submitting your form is a quick and simple five stage process. You can submit your form up until the Sunday following the week of teaching (if you submit your form weekly) or the month of teaching (if you submit your form monthly).

1) You should have received an email from us detailing the University's attendance policy:



24<sup>th</sup> September 2015

# Important Information about Attendance for Tier 4 Sponsored Students

STUDENT ID @00123456

Dear Scott,

The Home Office (UK Visas & Immigration) requires the University to keep records of attendance for all students on Tier 4 visas and to report back to them any student who falls below the University's minimum level of attendance. We are writing to you to explain how the University will record your attendance and what you must do to help us keep our records up to date.

You must submit a signed <u>Tier 4 Attendance Form</u> regularly via <u>Salford Advantage</u>.

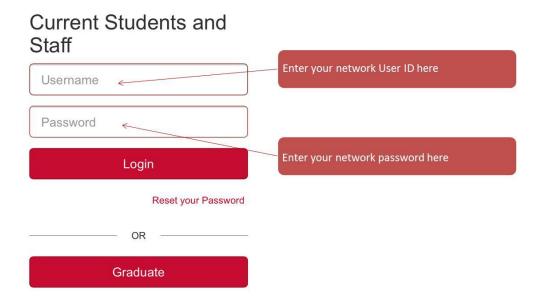
The regularity of submission will depend on your circumstances.

- 1. <u>Students completing Taught Modules</u> (<u>Undergraduate and Postgraduate</u>)
- 2) Login:

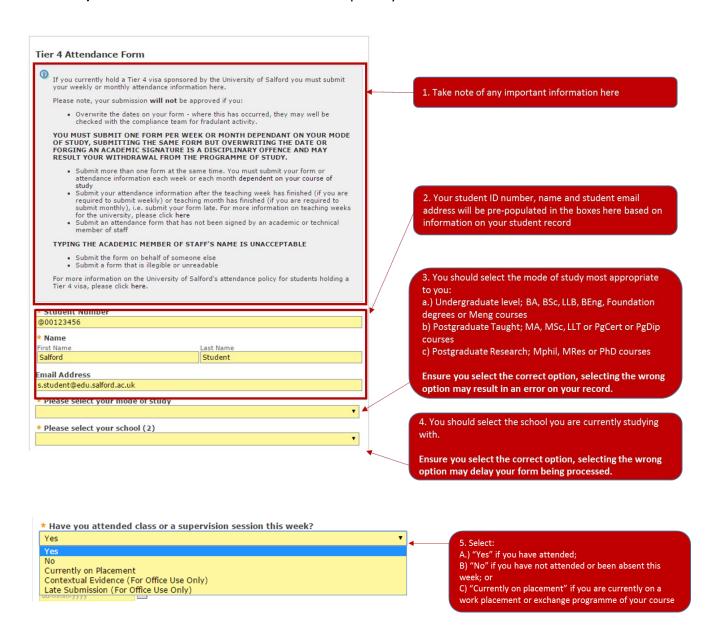
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If you have not picked up a blank form from your school office, click here to download one

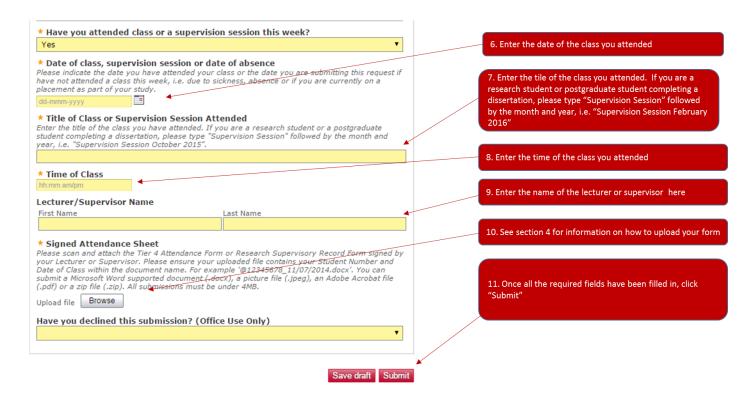
Once your form has been signed by a lecturer, technician or supervisor you can submit it by clicking here



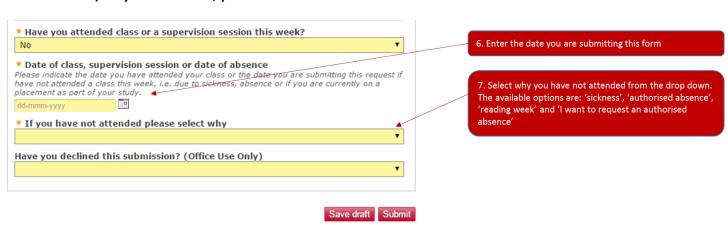
# **3)** Fill out the relevant information and upload your form:



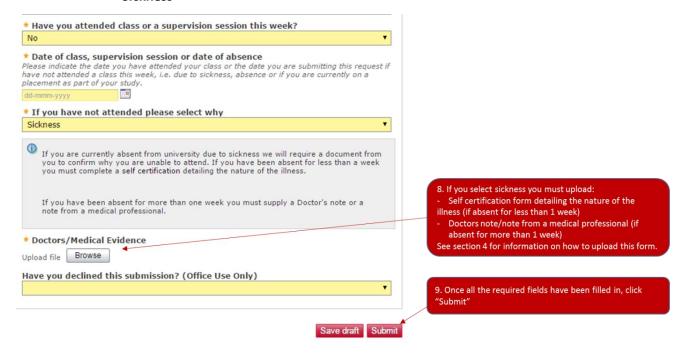
## a) If you select 'Yes', you have attended:



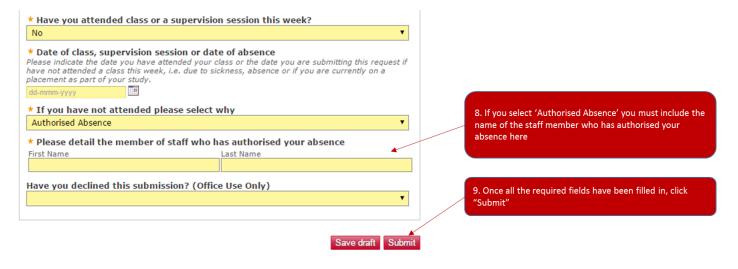
## b) If you select 'No', you have not attended:



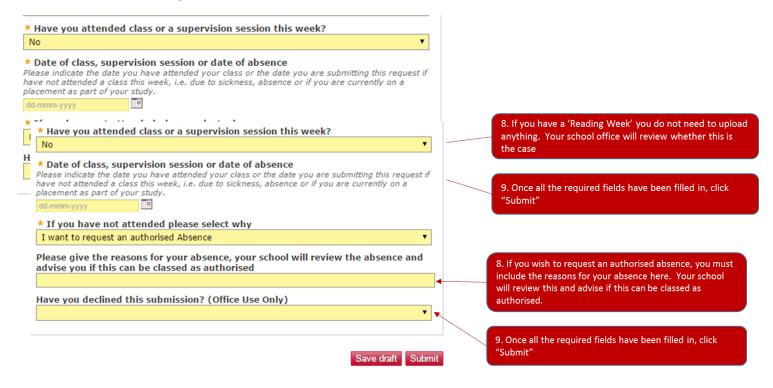
#### Sickness



#### Authorised absence

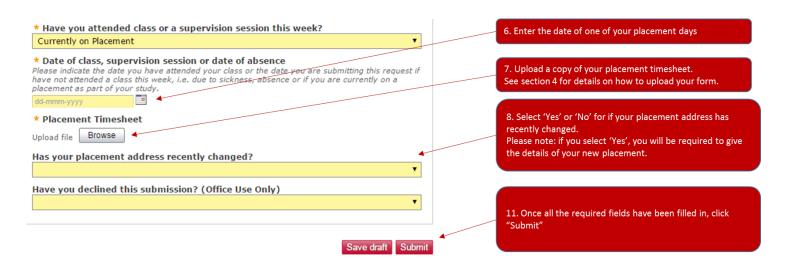


#### Reading week



I want to request an authorised absence

#### c) If you select 'Currently on placement':



When you are completing the online form, make sure you select the appropriate mode of study and school you are studying with. If you fail to do so you may find your attendance will not be recorded correctly.

The following degrees are classed as Undergraduate and Postgraduate Taught Programmes:

- HNC/HND;
- BA or BSC;
- BEng or Meng;
- MA or MSc;
- PgCert of PgDip.

The following degrees are classed as Postgraduate Research Programmes:

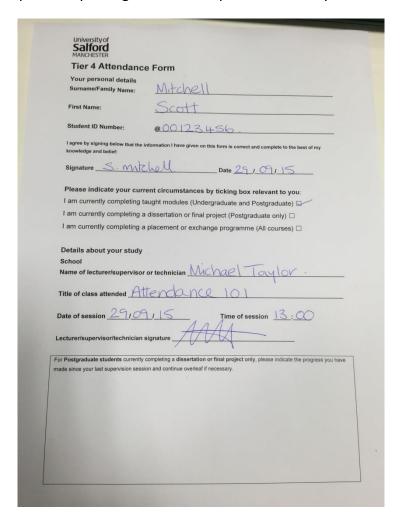
- MPhil or MRes;
- PhD, Doctarate of Musical Arts (DMA) or Doctarate of Engineering.

4) How to upload your signed Attendance Form:

a.)



**b.)** Either take a photo of your signed form or upload one from your camera roll:



# **c.)** Finally, submit your form:

# \*Signed Attendance Sheet

Please scan and attach the Tier 4 Attendance Form or Research Supervisory Record Form signed by your Lecturer or Supervisor. Please ensure your uploaded file contains your Student Number and Date of Class within the document name. For example

'@12345678\_11/07/2014.docx'. You can submit a Microsoft Word supported document (.docx), a picture file (.jpeg), an Adobe Acrobat file (.pdf) or a zip file (.zip). All submissions must be under 4MB.

Upload file Browse

Save draft Submit

Once you have uploaded your form, click "Submit"

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- MPhil or MRes;
- PhD, Doctorate of Musical Arts (DMA) or Doctorate of Engineering.

You will receive email confirmation of your submission to your **student email address.** 

It is vital that you check your student email address on a regular basis as this is where we will send most communications to you regarding your attendance.

# Your form will not be approved if you:

- 1. Submit more than one form at the same time. You must submit your form or attendance information each week or each month dependent on your course of study.
- 2. Submit your attendance information after the teaching week or month has finished, i.e. you submit your form late.
- 3. Submit an attendance form that has not been signed by an academic or technical member of staff.
- 4. Submit the form on behalf of someone else.
- 5. Submit a form that is illegible.
- 6. Submit a form that has been altered in any way, e.g. the signature or date have been changed.

If your school does not approve your form, you will be sent an email detailing the reason for the decline.

#### **FAQs**

# 1. I can't log into Salford Advantage

If you are unable to log into Advantage there may be a problem with your registration record or you may not yet have activated your student account:

- a) Please check that you have activated your student account by logging into the University network with your unique username and password that was sent to you in your registration communication.
- b) The other reason you may not appear is because you are not fully registered. If you are unable to log in as stated above please email Registration@salford.ac.uk

# 2. My course is wrong in Salford Advantage

This means you could be registered for the wrong course. Please inform your School Office of this and they will look into it for you.

# 3. I am on placement and my placement office does not have a computer

Salford Advantage is smart device enabled. You can use it on most smart phones and tablet devices and can upload directly from your phone or tablet device. As long as the form you submit is legible, you can upload a picture of your form. Most smart phones and tablet devices will take a picture under the file size allowed on Salford Advantage. Many local libraries also offer open access computing facilities.