

Innovations in Education and Teaching International >
Volume 53, 2016 - Issue 2

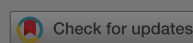
2,101 Views | 18 CrossRef citations to date | 0 Altmetric

Articles

The impact of class absenteeism on undergraduates' academic performance: evidence from an elite Economics school in Portugal

Aurora A.C. Teixeira ✉

Pages 230-242 | Published online: 11 Jul 2014

Cite this article <https://doi.org/10.1080/14703297.2014.937730>

Sample our
Social Sciences
Journals

>> Sign in here to start your access
to the latest two volumes for 14 days

[Full Article](#) [Figures & data](#) [References](#) [Citations](#) [Metrics](#)[Reprints & Permissions](#)[Read this article](#)

Abstract

The empirical literature focusing mainly on the USA suggests that class absenteeism undermines students' academic performance and that an enforced mandatory attendance policy may be beneficial. Based on a different cultural and economic

context, we investigate the impact of class absenteeism on the academic performance of undergraduates in a macroeconomic course at an elite Economics school in Portugal. Our results show that even when controlling for individual characteristics, class absenteeism has a negative and significant impact on academic performance. This finding is robust to different specifications and grade point averages. Our results suggest that a mandatory attendance policy may be beneficial for students' academic performance.

About Cookies On This Site

We and our partners use cookies to enhance your website experience, learn how our site is used, offer personalised features, measure the effectiveness of our services, and tailor content and ads to your interests while you navigate on the web or interact with us across devices. You can choose to accept all of these cookies or only essential cookies. To learn more or manage your preferences, click "Settings". For further information about the data we collect from you, please see our [Privacy Policy](#).

Accept All

Essential Only

Settings

Keywords: absenteeism academic performance Economics management university Portugal

Notes

- 1. The author used a sample of 216 students enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the macroeconomic principles course.
- 2. In the 2012/2013 academic year, FEP recorded the highest average admissions grade in Portugal for the undergraduate Economics degree (162.5 out of 200) and the second highest in the country for the undergraduate Management degree (155).

Related research

People also read

Recommended articles

Cited by
18



About Cookies On This Site

We and our partners use cookies to enhance your website experience, learn how our site is used, offer personalised features, measure the effectiveness of our services, and tailor content and ads to your interests while you navigate on the web or interact with us across devices. You can choose to accept all of these cookies or only essential cookies. To learn more or manage your preferences, click “Settings”. For further information about the data we collect from you, please see our [Privacy Policy](#).

Accept All 

Essential Only

Settings

Information for

- Authors
- R&D professionals
- Editors
- Librarians
- Societies

Opportunities

- Reprints and e-prints
- Advertising solutions
- Accelerated publication
- Corporate access solutions

Open access

- Overview
- Open journals
- Open Select
- Dove Medical Press
- F1000Research

Help and information

- Help and contact
- Newsroom
- All journals
- Books

Keep up to date

Register to receive personalised research and resources by email

 Sign me up



Copyright © 2024 Informa UK Limited Privacy policy Cookies Terms & conditions

[Accessibility](#)



About Cookies On This Site

We and our partners use cookies to enhance your website experience, learn how our site is used, offer personalised features, measure the effectiveness of our services, and tailor content and ads to your interests while you navigate on the web or interact with us across devices. You can choose to accept all of these cookies or only essential cookies. To learn more or manage your preferences, click “Settings”. For further information about the data we collect from you, please see our [Privacy Policy](#).

 Accept All

Essential Only

Settings