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**PhD in Epidemiology at UAMS**  
**Leave of Absence from the Program**

Students may request a leave of absence of up to one year (12 months) after initiating coursework. Leave must be requested in writing to the students' advisor by the student and approved by the advisor and then the PhD Advisory Committee. Whenever possible, leave should be requested prior to starting leave. The 12 months of leave may be consecutive or accumulated, but the total leave may not exceed 12 months. Once approved leave has started, the time allowed to reach the next milestone in the student's progression through the program is extended in the amount of leave approved.