Policy on Lecture Time "50:10"

College of Dentistry & Dental Clinics

The College of Dentistry recognizes that our students are scheduled throughout the day with a variety of courses, with minimal to no designated time for transition between courses, whether in laboratory, simulation, or clinical settings. It is also evident that our classrooms, conference rooms, and other facilities are booked throughout the day to accommodate courses, meetings, and other collegiate educational, governance meetings, and social activities.

All faculty, staff and students are requested to follow the "50:10" policy. Collegiate educational activities involving lectures, including seminar style formats, be limited to *no longer than 50 minutes in length per hour*. This also applies when conducting a multi-hour session, so students should still be allowed a 10-minute break for each hour in attendance.

The 50-minute time period includes time for faculty-student discussion or interactions. In this manner, it allows for students and faculty to either take a break if remaining in the same classroom/auditorium, or move to another location. The same 10-minute transition period allows time for others to move into the location, set-up, and general readiness for the next class or activity.