

REGULATION XVI

STANDARDS FOR STUDENT CONDUCT

This policy is issued by the University president pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Section 41301, Standards for Student Conduct.

A. Campus Community Values

The University is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy living and learning environment for students, faculty, and staff. Each member of the campus community should choose behaviors that contribute toward this end. Students are expected to be good citizens and to engage in responsible behaviors that reflect well upon the University, to be civil to one another and to others in the campus community, and to contribute positively to student and University life.

B. Cheating and Plagiarism Policy

Academic dishonesty cases that occur in the classroom shall be handled by faculty members. After a faculty member takes action, the faculty member shall complete a form that identifies the student who was found responsible, the general nature of the offense, the action taken, and a recommendation as to whether or not additional action should be considered by the campus Office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development. The faculty member should send a completed “Student Academic Integrity” form to the director of Student Conduct and Ethical Development and to the Provost whenever an academic dishonesty case is handled (Academic Senate Policy Statement 08-02). To access the Student Academic Integrity form go to https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?CSULongBeach&layout_id=3.

C. Student Academic Honors Pledge

The Student Academic Honors Pledge was approved by the Academic Senate and Associated Students Senate in 2004. The pledge states: “I pledge on my honor that I have not given or received any unauthorized assistance on this assignment/examination.” Faculty may use the pledge as an educational tool with students in the classroom and on syllabi. Students may elect to sign the pledge as a symbol of their commitment to personal ethics and academic integrity.

D. Grounds for Student Discipline

Student behavior that is not consistent with the Student Conduct Code is addressed through an educational process that is designed to promote safety and good citizenship and, when necessary, impose appropriate consequences.

The following are the grounds upon which student discipline can be based:

1. Dishonesty, including:
 - a. cheating, plagiarism, or other forms of academic dishonesty that are intended to gain unfair academic advantage
 - b. furnishing false information to a University official, faculty member, or campus office

- c. forgery, alteration, or misuse of a University document, key, or identification instrument
 - d. misrepresenting one's self to be an authorized agent of the University one of its auxiliaries
2. Unauthorized entry into, presence in, use of, or misuse of University property
3. Willful, material, and substantial disruption or obstruction of a University-related activity or any on-campus activity
4. Participation in an activity that substantially and materially disrupts the normal operations of the University or infringes on the rights of members of the University community
5. Willful, material, and substantial obstruction of the free flow of pedestrian or other traffic on or leading to campus property or an off-campus University-related activity
6. Disorderly, lewd, indecent, or obscene behavior at a University-related activity or directed toward a member of the University community
7. Conduct that threatens or endangers the health or safety of any person within or related to the University community, including physical abuse, threats, intimidation, harassment, or sexual misconduct
8. Hazing or conspiracy to haze (Hazing is defined as any method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or student body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury to any former, current or prospective student of any school, community college, college, or University or other educational institution in this state (California Penal Code, Section 245.6). In addition, it includes any act likely to cause physical harm, personal degradation, or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to any former, current, or prospective students of any school, community college, college, University or other educational institution. The term "hazing" does not include customary athletic events or school-sanctioned events. Neither the expressed or implied consent of a victim of hazing nor the lack of active participation in a particular hazing incident is a defense. Apathy or acquiescence in the presence of hazing is not a neutral act and is also a violation of this section.)
9. Use, possession, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs or drug-related paraphernalia (except as expressly permitted by law and University regulations) or misuse of legal pharmaceutical drugs
10. Use, possession, manufacture, or distribution of alcoholic beverages (except as expressly permitted by law and University regulations) or public intoxication while on campus or at a University-related activity
11. Theft of property or services from the University community or

- misappropriation of University resources
12. Unauthorized destruction or damage to University property or other property in the University community
 13. Possession or misuse of firearms or guns, replicas, ammunition, explosives, fireworks, knives, other weapons or dangerous chemicals (without the prior authorization of the University president) on campus or at a University-related activity
 14. Unauthorized recording, dissemination, or publication of academic presentations (including handwritten notes) for a commercial purpose
 15. Misuse of computer facilities or resources, including
 - a. unauthorized entry into a file for any purpose
 - b. unauthorized transfer of a file
 - c. use of another's identification or password
 - d. use of computing facilities, campus network, or other resources to interfere with the work of another member of the University community
 - e. use of computing facilities and resources to send obscene or intimidating and abusive messages
 - f. use of computing facilities and resources to interfere with normal University operations
 - g. use of computing facilities and resources in violation of copyright laws
 - h. violation of a campus computer use policy
 16. Violation of any published University policy, rule, regulation, or presidential order
 17. Failure to comply with directions of, or interference with, any University official or any public safety officer while acting in the performance of their duties
 18. Any act chargeable as a violation of a federal, state, or local law that poses a substantial threat to the safety or well-being of members of the University community, that poses a threat to property within the University community, or that threatens to disrupt or interfere with University operations
 19. Any violation of the Student Conduct Procedures, including
 - a. falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation of information related to a student-discipline matter; disruption of or interference with the orderly progress of a student-discipline proceeding
 - b. initiation of a student-discipline proceeding in bad faith
 - c. any attempt to discourage another from participating in the student-discipline matter
 - d. any attempt to influence any participant in a student-discipline matter to act other than impartially

- e. verbal or physical harassment or intimidation of any participant in a student-discipline matter
- f. failure to comply with the sanction(s) imposed under a student-discipline proceeding
- g. encouraging, permitting, or assisting another to do any act that could subject them to discipline.

E. Procedures for Enforcing This Code

The chancellor shall adopt procedures to ensure students are afforded appropriate notice and an opportunity to be heard before the University imposes any sanction for a violation of the Student Conduct Code.

F. Application of This Code

Sanctions for the conduct listed above can be imposed on applicants, enrolled students, students between academic terms, graduates awaiting degrees, and students who withdraw from school while a disciplinary matter is pending. Conduct that threatens the safety or security of the campus community, or substantially disrupts the functions or operation of the University, is within the jurisdiction of this article regardless of whether it occurs on or off campus. Nothing in this code may conflict with California Education Code, Section 66301, which prohibits disciplinary action against students based on behavior protected by the First Amendment.

Note: Authority cited: California Education Code, Sections 66017, 66452, 66600, 69810, 89030, 89030.1, and 89035. References: California Education Code, Sections 66450, 69813 et seq., and 89030, and California Penal Code, Section 245.6.

Student Disciplinary Procedures for the California State University and Colleges

Reference:

CSU Executive Order 1098. Copies of CSU Executive Order 1098 Revised are available in the Office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development, USU-219. Any person wishing to review a copy of CSU Executive Order 1098 Revised may view it at csulb.edu/divisions/students/judicial_affairs/. For further clarification of this policy or to request a copy of it, contact the director of the Office of Student Conduct and Ethical Development, USU-219.