

12. Record Access

Troy University shall maintain a record, kept with the education records of each student, which will indicate all parties (other than those specified in paragraph 1.a.) which have requested or obtained access to a student's education records. This record will indicate specifically the legitimate interest that each such party has in obtaining this information. Such record of access shall be available only to the student, to the school official and his/her assistants who are responsible for the custody of such records, and to persons or organizations authorized in, and under the conditions of paragraph 1.a. and 1.c., as a means of auditing the operation of the system.

13. Destruction of Records

Troy University retains the right, if not otherwise precluded by law, to destroy records as a matter of policy. However, upon written request, a student shall be granted access to and copies of his/her records, which are not excluded by the provisions of paragraph 2, prior to the destruction of such records. Absent such a request on file prior to destruction, no copy of records to be destroyed need be furnished the student.

14. Cost of Copies

Any copies of records furnished at the request of a student shall be subject to the payment of a reasonable fee, to be established by the university from time to time, for such service. At present, the cost is \$1.00 per transcript for unofficial documents and \$8.00 for official documents.

Food and Beverages in Classrooms

Food and beverages are allowed in classrooms at the discretion of individual faculty members. Further, faculty members allowing food or beverages in classrooms needs to stress to their students the importance of being careful not to spill food and drinks and of properly disposing of cups, wrappers, etc. Abuse of this policy could result in reassessment and/or greater restrictions.

Commitment to Free Expression

Students at public universities enjoy robust speech rights under the Constitution in order to contribute to the marketplace of ideas, learn from each other, and freely discuss and debate a wide range of issues. Troy University is committed to protecting the freedom of speech for students, faculty, and staff, and will not infringe on speech that may be considered to be an unpopular or inconvenient expression of ideas.

Hazing Policy

Hazing is defined by Section 16-1-23, Code of Alabama (1975), and by such section as may be amended from time to time. Additionally, for the purpose of these standards, hazing is any action taken or situation created, whether on or off organizational premises, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule to any person, **whether or not such person has consented to participation in the activity**. Such activities and situations include but are not limited to paddling in any form, scavenger hunts, road trips, excessive fatigue, deprivation of normal sleep, engaging in public stunts, morally degrading or humiliating activities, blind-folding, branding, calisthenics, running, forced consumption of food, alcohol, drugs, or any other substances and any other activities which are not consistent with fraternal law, ritual or policy or the regulations and policies of Troy University. No organization shall allow any of its pledges/associates, members, or other persons to participate in any hazing ceremony, activity or practice. Hazing in any form is absolutely prohibited at Troy University. For enforcement purposes, this policy applies to both individuals and organizations.