

AP 5500 Standards of Student Conduct

References: Education Code Sections 66300 and 66301;
ACCJC Accreditation Standards I.C.8 and 10

Students who engage in any of the below are subject to the procedures outlined in AP 5520 Student Discipline Procedures.

Definitions: The following conduct shall constitute good cause for discipline, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student, except for conduct that constitutes sexual harassment under Title IX, which shall be addressed under AP 3433 Prohibition of Sexual Harassment under Title IX, and AP 3434 Responding to Harassment Based on Sex under Title IX.

1. Failure to comply with directions of District officials acting in the performance of their duties; disrupting, obstructing, or interfering with instructional, administrative, disciplinary, or other functions or activities of the District.
2. Cheating, plagiarism (including plagiarism in a student publication), or engaging in other academic dishonesty.
3. Unauthorized use of a personal electronic device in an instructional or testing environment. Unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any commercial purpose, of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any District policy or administrative procedure.
4. Possession, sale or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student has obtained written permission to possess the item from a District employee, which is concurred in by the college Superintendent/President.
5. Unlawful possession, use, sale, offer to sell or purchase, or furnishing, or being under the influence of, any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the California Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind; or unlawful possession of, or offering, arranging or negotiating the sale of any drug paraphernalia, as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
6. Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion.
7. Causing or attempting to cause damage to District property or to private property on campus.
8. Stealing or attempting to steal District property or private property on campus, or knowingly receiving stolen District property or private property on campus.
9. Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking has been prohibited by law or by regulation of the college or the District.
10. Sexual assault or sexual exploitation regardless of the victim's affiliation with the District.

11. Committing sexual harassment as defined by law or by District policies and procedures.
12. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other status protected by law.
13. Engaging in intimidating conduct or bullying against another student through words or actions, including direct physical contact; verbal assaults, such as teasing or name-calling; social isolation or manipulation; and cyberbullying.
14. Disruptive behavior, willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or the open and persistent defiance of, or persistent abuse of, District personnel.
15. Willful misconduct which results in injury or death to a student or to college personnel or which results in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or personal property owned by the District or on campus.
16. Lewd, indecent, or obscene conduct on District-owned or controlled property or at District-sponsored or supervised functions.
17. Engaging in expression which is obscene; libelous, or slanderous, or which so incites students as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on college premises, or the violation of lawful District administrative procedures, or the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the District.
18. Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct.
19. Unauthorized entry upon or use of District facilities.
20. Violation of Board policies, administrative procedures, or regulations. Including violation of parking rules and traffic regulations on District property.
21. Any act which is defined as a felony, misdemeanor or infraction under the laws of the State of California.

See Board Policy BP 5500 Standards of Student Conduct

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I have read, understand and agree to abide by this Administrative Procedure.

Signature

Date

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References: Education Code Sections 66300, 66301, and 76120;
 Accreditation Standard I.C.8 and 10

The Board of Trustees shall establish rules and regulations for student conduct while on campus and/or engaged in any college-sponsored activity. The Superintendent/President shall establish procedures for the imposition of discipline on students in accordance with the requirements for due process of the federal and state law and regulations.

The procedures shall clearly define the conduct that is subject to discipline, and shall identify potential disciplinary actions, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student. The Board shall consider any recommendation from the Superintendent/President for expulsion. The Board shall consider an expulsion recommendation in closed session unless the student requests that the matter be considered in a public meeting. Final action by the Board on the expulsion shall be taken at a public meeting.

The procedures shall be made widely available to students through the college catalog and other means.

Students at any District facility, event, or in any District provided service whether remotely or in person or affiliated official capacity are expected to obey all California State laws and all Federal laws which pertain to behavior on a college campus. AP 5500 Standards of Student Conduct represent reasonable standards of conduct for students and shall be followed at all times while on District property, online, or attending District affiliated activities.

Conduct addressed in AP 5500 Standards of Student Conduct shall constitute good cause for discipline, including but not limited to the removal, suspension, or expulsion of a student, except for conduct that constitutes sexual harassment under Title IX, which shall be addressed under BP 3433 Prohibition of Sexual Harassment under Title IX.

See Administrative Procedure AP 5500 Standards of Student Conduct

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