

Chapter 3 – Educational Policies

Board Policy 3.6 Student Conduct

Part 1. Student Conduct Policy

Each college and university shall establish a student code of conduct that includes its student conduct policies and administrative procedures for student conduct proceedings. Hazing, whether occurring on or off campus must be included in each college and university list of prohibited behavior. Students must be afforded appropriate due process in the resolution of alleged violations of the student code of conduct. Students found responsible for violations are subject to sanctions which may include removal from student housing or suspension or expulsion from the college or university. Annually, and upon amendment, colleges and universities shall notify students of the availability and location of the student code of conduct. A copy must be made available at appropriate locations on campus and on the college or university website.

Allegations of discrimination, harassment, sexual violence, fraud or dishonest acts as defined in Board Policies 1B.1, 1B.3, 1C.2 must be resolved pursuant to Board of Trustee policy. Allegations of academic dishonesty may be resolved under separate procedures in accordance with college or university policies.

Part 2. Off-campus Conduct

Colleges and universities may hold students accountable for a violation of the behavioral proscriptions contained in their student codes of conduct committed off campus when:

- Hazing is involved; or
- The violation is committed while participating in a college- or university-sanctioned or sponsored activity; or
- The victim of the violation is a member of the college or university community; or
- The violation constitutes a felony under state or federal law; or
- The violation adversely affects the educational, research, or service functions of the college or university.

Part 3. Appeal

Colleges and universities shall provide an appeal process to students found responsible for a conduct violation. In addition, colleges and universities shall inform students of their right to a contested case hearing under Minn. Stat. Ch. 14 in cases involving sanctions of suspension for 10 days or longer.

Part 4. Procedures

College and university student codes of conduct and procedures must comply with Board Policy 3.6 and System Procedure 3.6.1 Student Conduct.

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01/27/21 – Replaced "avenue of appeal" with "appeal process" in Part 3 and made several technical edits.

05/18/16 - Amended to change "code of student conduct" to "student code of conduct" so the name is consistent with other types of codes of conduct. Applied the new formatting and writing styles which resulted in multiple technical edits.

Additional HISTORY.