



STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Code of Conduct is to set out standards of conduct, to give notice of expectations and prohibited behavior, and to identify the procedures the University may employ to resolve alleged violations of those standards. The Student Code of Conduct is founded on the principles of respect for oneself, respect for others, respect for property, respect for authority, and honesty.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

Long Island University students are expected to abide by the five principles of the Student Code of Conduct: respect for oneself, respect for others, respect for property, respect for authority, and honesty. Students who violate the policies of Long Island University may be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Student Affairs, through designated hearing officers, oversees the enforcement of the Student Code of Conduct. The University recognizes that disciplinary jurisdiction may extend to off-campus activities. The University has the discretion to exercise jurisdiction over off-campus behavior if it: 1) adversely affects the health, safety, or security of any member of the University community; or 2) adversely affects the interests of the University.

In determining whether to exercise off-campus jurisdiction, the University will consider the seriousness of the alleged harm, the risk of harm involved, whether the victim(s) are members of the University community or whether the off-campus conduct is part of a series of actions which occurred both on and off campus.

Students are accountable for adhering to all regulations in the LIU Student Handbooks. As noted under item "U", 'Violation of University policies' in "Respect for Authority" below, students must understand that they are subject to "all policies communicated elsewhere in this Handbook, University publications, verbal directives by University officials or as posted by any department."

Students enrolled in specific schools or colleges may be subject to the code of conduct established within that school or college and as overseen by the academic dean or an applicable accreditation body. If there is a conflict the more restrictive code applies.

Respect for Oneself

Students are expected to demonstrate actions that honor themselves by complying with the principal of **respect for oneself**. Examples of conduct inconsistent with this principal and which will require action are:

A. Violence or Threat of Violence

Behavior which jeopardizes the safety or well-being of oneself; this includes but is not limited to causing or subjecting oneself to physical injury.

B. Alcohol and Drugs

1. Violation of the University Alcohol and Drug Policy.
2. The sale, purchase, possession, presence of, or use of any illegal drug(s) and/or drug paraphernalia.

C. Conduct Unbecoming of a Student

1. Behavioral characteristics or actions demonstrated by a student, which are contrary to the Student Code of Conduct and/or local, state, or federal law.
2. Public lewdness

D. Violation of the University Internet and Social Networking Policy

Respect for Others

Students are expected to demonstrate actions that reflect consideration and civility by complying with the principal of **respect for others**. Examples of conduct inconsistent with this principal and which will require action are:

E. Stalking and/or Aggravated Stalking

A willful course of conduct involving repeated or continuing harassment of another individual that would cause a reasonable person to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, threatened, harassed or molested, and that actually causes the victim to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, threatened, harassed or molested.

F. Verbal or Physical Harassment

1. Inappropriate physical, verbal or written actions against members of the University community or their guests, or against visitors to the campus, which interfere with an individual's personal freedom or privacy, including but not limited to actions of an offensive nature which target a particular individual or group's national origin or gender identity ("hate crimes"). This includes harassment or an attempt to harass via electronic e-mails, text messages and/or instant messages or the unauthorized use of videotaping.
2. Violation of the University Non-Discrimination/Anti-Harassment Policy.
3. Violation of the University Hate and Bias Crime Policy.
4. Violation of the Roommate Bill of Rights.
5. Violation of the University Internet and Social Media Policy.

G. Weapons and Dangerous Items

Possession and/or use of weapons and dangerous items, including but not limited to: firearms; knives; firecrackers; CO2 weapons; BB weapons; paint ball weapons and equipment; prop, replica, toy or play weapons; simulated weapons or devices; handcuffs; swords; martial arts equipment; pepper gas or spray; snowballs with rocks inside; and propane.

H. Violence or Threat of Violence

1. Behavior which jeopardizes the safety and well-being of other persons; this includes, but is not limited to, physical injury or behavior such as physical assault, threats or intimidation or extortion, and either physical, verbal, or written abuse
2. Sexual assault or sexual abuse. Acts of sexual violence or intimidation, including “date” or “acquaintance” rape
3. Behavior or actions which may indicate domestic violence of any kind
4. Violation of University Hate and Bias Crime Policy
5. Violation of the University Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy

I. Theft and/or Possession of Stolen Property

1. Theft or other misuse of property
2. Possession of stolen goods
 - a. Unauthorized possession of University-owned furniture or equipment, including but not limited to items from residence, academic, or recreational facilities, in a student room.
3. Theft of services

J. Hazing

1. The participation in or encouragement of any action or situation which endangers the mental or physical health, safety or welfare of another, or involves the forced or coerced consumption of alcohol, a solid substance or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization.
2. Violation of the University Anti-Hazing policy.
3. Violation of New York State Law on Hazing.

K. Fire Safety

1. Intentionally creating smoke or fire
2. Filing a false fire alarm
3. Activating a smoke detector

4. Activating a sprinkler system
5. Tampering with fire equipment
 - a. Inappropriate use or tampering with fire extinguishers, fire hoses, or any other safety apparatus
 - b. Obstructing a door so as to prohibit or encourage direct entrance to and/or exit from a room or building
 - c. Covering overhead lights, doorways, smoke detectors, sprinkler system, air conditioning units, walls sockets, etc.
 - d. Wall covering of any kind exceeding 5'x7' and/or hanging any item from the ceiling.
 - e. Possessing water-filled or lofted beds
6. Failure to evacuate during a fire alarm
7. Possession of prohibited items, including but not limited to candles (lit or unlit), incense and incense holder, electric appliances, air conditioning units not approved by Student Affairs, portable heaters, combustible liquids, barbecues, decorative lights, extension cords or any other item deemed unsafe by University Official(s) or New York State Fire Safety Officer(s)

L. Disruption of Campus Community

Behavioral or verbal actions that disrupt the Campus community.

1. Courtesy Hours
 - a. Disruption of the residential community, including making excessive noise in residential areas, courtyards, alcoves and building front steps, parking areas, roadways and other grounds in, adjacent to or around the residence halls.
 - b. Disruption of academic areas, including the internal and external areas of all academic facilities
 - c. Violation of the Notice of Student Assembly Policy.
2. Skateboarding or use of skateboarding equipment
3. Use or storage of bicycles, bicycle equipment or other items that may obstruct common areas of the residence halls, including hallways, lobby areas, and stairwells, etc., an in the exterior areas, including areas in which egress is jeopardized

Respect for Property

Students are expected to demonstrate actions that reflect the responsible use of University property, environment, and equipment by complying with the principal of **respect for property**. Examples of conduct inconsistent with this principal and which will require action are:

M. Vandalism

1. Destroying University property, classroom property, or residential housing property.
 - a. Chalking or defacing of property with various materials.
2. Destroying the property of another person.

3. Littering on campus.
 - a. Improper disposal of any solid or liquid object(s) in any area not identified or authorized for disposal.

N. Computers

1. The use of computers or electronic equipment for the violation of personal privacy or for the committing of crimes.
 - a. Unauthorized use of computers and/or peripheral systems.
 - b. Unauthorized access/alteration to computer programs or files.
 - c. Unauthorized duplicating or use of computer programs files.
 - d. Making unauthorized changes to a computer account, the utilization of a wireless router, or any other or non-deliberate action that disrupts the operation of computer systems serving other students or the University community.

Respect for Authority

Students are expected to demonstrate actions that are respectful to University officials and support University regulations by complying with the principal of **respect for authority**. Examples of conduct inconsistent with this principal and which will require action are:

O. Illegal Possession of Keys, Access Cards/Codes Unlawful Entry, Exit or Presence

1. Illegal possession, duplication, or unauthorized use of keys, access cards, or access codes.
2. Forcible or unauthorized entry/exit of any University facility, residence hall, or room.
 - a. Entering or exiting through a window.
 - b. Entering anytime or exiting through a residence hall through a side door, except in an emergency when directed by authorized University personnel or essential services personnel.
 - c. Using or allowing another person to use a bathroom or shower facility designated for use of the opposite sex.
3. Failure to properly sign in to any residence hall, facility, or event where required.
4. Failure to properly sign guest(s) in to any residence hall, facility, or event where required.
5. Failure to escort guest(s) at all times on campus.
6. Presence in any residence hall, facility, or at an event after the student has been restricted access.

P. Failure to abide by the Guest Policy.

Q. Smoking

1. Violation of University No-Smoking Policy.

R. Traffic Regulations

1. Violation of University traffic regulations.
2. Flagrant and/or frequent traffic offenses.

S. Solicitation/Commercial Activities

Unauthorized soliciting and/or commercial activities by a student or an on-campus or off-campus organization, vendor or business, initiated by either a student or visitor. Those activities which support charitable organizations and do not violate University contractual obligations may be permitted with the written approval of the Dean of Students or their designee.

1. Distribution and/or posting of unauthorized handbills or other materials.
2. Chalking or defacing of property with various materials to solicit off-campus events.
3. Selling unauthorized services or products, seeking funds, signatures, merchandise or supplies.
4. Receiving unauthorized business offers or goods in the residence halls for business purposes of any nature

T. Gambling

Illegal gambling anywhere on the premises or at any University-sponsored function or any of its student groups, organizations or affiliates.

U. Failure to Cooperate

1. Providing false or misleading information to University officials, including but not limited to Public Safety officers, Student Affairs staff, Resident Directors, or Resident Assistants.
2. Failure to cooperate in an investigation.
3. Failure to cooperate with a University official acting within the scope of their duties, including but not limited to failure to provide identification when requested to do so.
4. Disrespectful conduct towards a University official acting within the scope of their duties.
5. Failure to comply with a student conduct sanction, directive or mandate.
6. Participation in an organization, assembly and/or demonstration which has not been approved.
7. Violation of the University's Notice of Student Assembly Policy.
8. Failure to comply with the written or verbal directives of University officials or other authorized individuals, including but not limited to Public Safety officers, Student Affairs staff, Resident Directors, or Resident Assistants.

V. Violation of University Policies

This includes all policies communicated in the LIU Student Handbook, on the LIU policy website, in University publications, verbal directives by University officials, or as posted by any department.

Honesty

Students are expected to demonstrate actions that are honorable and ethical by complying with the principal of **honesty**. Examples of conduct inconsistent with this principal and which will require action are:

1. **Honesty and Integrity**

Dishonest behavior or actions displayed that are contrary to the Student Code of Conduct, including but not limited to plagiarism (the use of another person's words or ideas represented as ones' own work) and the reporting of inaccurate information to members of the University community.

2. **Forgery and Falsification of Records**

Falsification, forgery, modification or unauthorized use of any official University document, record or property, including but not limited to identification cards, transcripts, examinations, immunization or other medical documents, registration forms, payroll sheets, parking decals and other any other official University document.

POLICY TYPE: STUDENT AFFAIRS