

Administrative Authority

Maintaining and implementing the Code of Student Conduct is the responsibility of every member of the University community. Students, staff and faculty should, through their conduct, reinforce the ideals expressed by the Code, and encourage every student to do likewise. Administratively, the Dean of Students Office, the Office for Residence Life, and the Department of Public Safety are primarily responsible for assuring compliance with the Code. In most instances, Residence Life staff, the Department of Public Safety, or police jurisdictions will report potential violations of the Code to the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office is responsible for overseeing student conduct, educating students to appropriate community standards, and assigning sanctions and outcomes for the purpose of resolving student conduct violations. Students will be treated with care and respect and in a non-discriminatory manner throughout the resolution process.

While an alleged violation is being investigated and at any time during resolution of the matter, the University may, in its sole discretion, put in place appropriate administrative measures to ensure the safety and well-being of individuals and the community, to preserve evidence, and/or to maintain the integrity of the Code of Student Conduct process. Failure to comply with any administrative measure(s) and/or directives (e.g.: no contact directive) will be considered a violation of the Code of Student Conduct and may be subject to disciplinary action.

When a complaint is filed and the investigation complete, the procedures set forth in this Code shall constitute the University's grievance and resolution procedures for alleged violations of the Code of Student Conduct. The Special Procedures Governing Sexual Misconduct are located in the Sexual Misconduct Policy.