

50406 Student Rights and Responsibilities

Enrollment at the College mandates a commitment to seriousness of purpose, academic integrity, valuing of diversity and high standards of personal and social behavior. Students are expected to be cooperative and responsible members of the College community, to comply willingly with College and Board of Governors' Policies and Procedures, the Student Code of Conduct and all local, state and federal laws and regulations.

Students are expected to read, and will be held responsible for, student and College information published or referred to in official College publications and the College web site, including, but not limited to, the official College catalog, Board of Governors' Policies and College Procedures Memoranda (PM).

- (1) Enrollment at the College is a voluntary commitment on the part of the student to participate in the programs offered by the institution pursuant to the policies, rules and regulations of the College. The enrolled student, in turn, is extended the privilege to join the College community and to remain a part of it as long as the student meets the required academic and behavior standards of the College.
- (2) The College is committed to promoting an environment in which each student may exercise his or her rights without fear of prejudice, discrimination or retaliation. Such rights include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - A. The right to pursue their educational goals within the policies approved by the Board of Governors. Appropriate opportunities for learning in the classroom and on the campus shall be provided by the College.
 - B. No disciplinary sanction which imposes upon or restricts a student's property right in continued enrollment in the College may be imposed upon any student without due process as described in procedures promulgated by the President or as may be required by law.
 - C. Free inquiry, free expression and free assembly as protected by federal, state and local law, and College procedures, are guaranteed to all students provided their actions do not unduly interfere with the rights of others or the efficient operation of the institution.
 - D. Evaluation of student academic performance shall be neither arbitrary nor capricious.
- (3) Students are provided certain rights in respect to their educational records by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The President of the College is authorized and directed to establish and implement procedures that comply with FERPA and related state and federal law.

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