





Morehead State University is committed to providing a supportive learning environment for our students. MSU students are expected to reflect a commitment to obtaining an education, and meet the standards of conduct promulgated by federal, state, and local laws and University policies, rules, and regulations.

Students, faculty, and staff constitute our University community. Membership carries with it the responsibility to abide by our community's behavioral expectations and hold others accountable for their behavior. We expect our members to treat each other with integrity, dignity, and respect. While the University does not regard itself as the arbiter of morals, we do reserve the right to make members aware of the expectations of the larger society and the University community, and to take action when individual behavior fails to meet community standards. In order to maintain the educational process, each member of the University community must be prepared to accept the consequences of their actions regardless of intent or circumstance.

If you believe our expectations fail to reflect our community values or protect student rights, we encourage you to responsibly and respectfully work for constructive change through the appropriate university channels. In many cases, the Dean of Students can assist students in understanding their options.

Students are expected to abide by University policies, rules, and regulations published in official publications of the University including, but not limited to, the Undergraduate Catalog, the Graduate Catalog, University Administrative Regulations, and the Eagle Student Handbook (which includes the Student Conduct Code). The Student Conduct Code provides students general notice of expected and prohibited behavior. The scope of the Student Conduct Code and additional notices of University expectations are detailed in this document.

The Student Conduct Code applies to the behavior of students on University property or facilities owned, operated, controlled, or being

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strictly prohibited unless approved by the MSU President. The unlawful use, possession, or distribution of drugs and/or drug paraphernalia on University property or while participating in University related activities is also strictly prohibited

Morehead State University does not maintain a formal dress code, however it is expected that students dress appropriately when attending public functions and classes.

In keeping with our academic mission, and to maintain an environment that is conducive to learning, the University maintains reasonable expectations regarding excessive noise. Sustained noise (including boisterous behavior, loud music, etc.) is generally prohibited in and around academic buildings during the times when academic instructio(i)3.1 ()]FJD.005Tc 0.005Ts62s rit expec.)s(o)-1genera(o

Morehead State University ensures the right to free speech and expression, and encourages the timely and rational discussion of topics whereby the ethical and intellectual development of students and general welfare of the public may be promoted. The generally accessible, open, outdoor areas of the campus are maintained as traditional public forums for students to express their views. In this regard, the University grants students the broadest possible latitude to speak, write, listen, challenge, learn, and discuss any issue; including ideas considered by some or most members of the University's community to be offensive, unwise, disagreeable, conservative, liberal, traditional or radical. However, these rights shall not be construed to grant students the right to engage in conduct that intentionally, materially, and substantially disrupts another's expressive activity if that activity is occurring in a campus space previously scheduled or reserved for that activity or under the exclusive use or control of a particular group. Students shall not substantially obstruct or otherwise substantially interfere with the freedom of others to express views they reject so that a lively and fearless freedom of debate and deliberation is promoted and protected.

In all circumstances regarding free speech, the University reserves the right to regulate the time, place and manner. Any regulation by the University will be reasonable, justified without reference to the content of the regulated speech, narrowly tailored to serve a compelling governmental interest, and limited to provide ample alternative options for the communication of the message.

: Person who serves in a support capacity for a complainant or respondent. An advisor may be present during a hearing, but may not participate in the hearing, discussion, or questioning.

Resolution: A voluntary process to resolve a complaint or dispute without a hearing.

: A protocol in which students who violate the University's alcohol and drug policies are not subject to disciplinary sanctions. The protocol is applicable only for alcohol/drugs use and not for other prohibited behavior.

: Person or organization accusing a student or student organization of a violation of the Student Conduct Code.

(legal): A person licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky to practice law.

: Student affairs administrator who oversees and coordinates student activities and registered student organizations.

: Chief judicial officer for student conduct. Responsible for the implementation of the student judicial system and student conduct code.

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Student affairs administrator who oversees Housing &ngwgHou.aces

A student who reports a potential violation of the Student Conduct Code, or who is participating in an investigation as a witness, may be granted amnesty for their use of alcohol or drugs if: 1) The student reports the alcohol/drug violation voluntarily and in good faith, and 2) The reported use is not a pending/existing case or currently under investigation. However, the student may be provided treatment resources or be required to undergo drug and alcohol counseling and/or education, as appropriate.

A student who seeks emergency/medical treatment for another student believed to be experiencing an alcohol or drug related medical emergency may by granted amnesty for their own use of alcohol or drugs. The protocol also applies to students who are experiencing an alcohol or drug related medical emergency and seek emergency/medical treatment on their own behalf or they are the subject of such a request. The student may be provided treatment resources or be required to undergo drug and alcohol counseling and/or education, and the parents of the student ma

The Dean of Students will review the results of the investigation to determine if the alleged behavior meets the elements for a violation of the Student Conduct Code and the seriousness of the alleged violation.

If the investigation clears the respondent from responsibility for an alleged violation, or there is insufficient information, then charges against the respondent may be dismissed. If the imvestigation dis(on 4)3....1 (I)e.1 (h)-1211.9 4(he )\mathbb{T0.1} 77 t2 (t)-1.15 (on)-ta\bar{b}.98(es)-2 (f)-13.1(t)-1.1 (he r)-6.3 ferling here.

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hearing will be held no earlier than the (10) business days from the date of notification.

The participant shall be permitted reasonable

continuing access to the administrative file for the case beginning at least seven (7) business days prior ts (es)-8 ((.6 (()]TJ 0.0018)0.6 (be))o tsev5St5S4-12. ( )0.6 (be)-12.3 ( [66.4469.7 ((21.1odad [66.4469n.1 (s)-2 Tc

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parties are not interested in attempting to resolve the matter through alternative resolution, the matter will procee(ed )-12 (o)-12.5 375.46 Tw -19.3002ttytd2u()Tj-0.00133l3du7aB2235.3 (lu)-3

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A determination of whether a student or student organization is responsible or not responsible for violating the student conduct code will be based upon a preponderance of the evidence standard.

The following behaviors/actions are prohibited and constitute a violation of the Student Conduct Code:

# SCC 100 Academic Misconduct (Academic Honesty) 1

Last Revised: 8/01/2020

Intentionally assisting or participating in cheating, plagiarism, and/or other forms of fraudulent misrepresentation of academic work.

# SCC 150 Academic Disruption

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Engaging in behavior that intentionally, materially, and substantially disrupts the educational process associated with teaching, research, or other activities related to the academic mission of the university; or otherwise creates the conditions in which teaching cannot continue.

# SCC 200 Aiding and Abetting

class trips, etc.

- b. Distribution. Providing alcoholic beverages to others on University-owned or controlled property, or while participating in University related activities.
- c. Paraphernalia. Possession of items on University-owned or controlled property, or while participating in University related activities that are used to store, distribute, conceal or ingest alcohol (i.e., kegs, beer

b. Misconduct. Using University-

# SCC 1400 Fraud

Last Revised: 8/01/2021

Deceiving, tricking, or misrepresenting with the intent of defrauding or misleading another individual or the University.

# SCC 1500 General Policies

Last Revised: 8/01/2012

Violating any rule, regulation, or policy established by the Board of Regents, the President of the University or an authorized representative, any college, division, department, office, or other authorized University employee within the scope of his/her authority. Such rules, regulations, and policies will be published, posted, or otherwise publicized in a fashion that allows students opportunities to have adequate knowledge of said information.

#### SCC 1600 Harassment

Last Revised: 8/01/2017

Any of the following:

- a. Any behavior that is threatening or intimidating and which places a person in reasonable fear of harm to person or property.
- b. Any behavior that creates a hostile environment by substantially interfering with or impairing the person's educational performance, opportunities or benefits.
- c. Any conduct or pattern of behavior directed at an individual or a group in a manner that is unwelcome and, under the totality of the circumstances, is so severe or pervasive that it undermines or detracts from the person's educational or work opportunities or participation in University activities, effectively denying equal access to University resources and opportunities.

# SCC 1800 Hazing

Last Revised: 8/01/2019 Any of the following:

- a. Any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers mental or physical health or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization. Pursuant to KRS 164.290 such action may result in suspension or dismissal from the University.
- b. Acting in a manner or creating a situation which subjects another, voluntarily or involuntarily, to abuse, mistreatment, degradation, humiliation, harm or intimidation. Pursuant to KRS 164.290 such action may result in suspension or dismissal from the University.

# SCC 1900 Key/Card Fraudulent Use

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SCC 3100 Theft Last Revised: 8/01/2012

# IV. Student Conduct Sanctions Morehead State University

#### **SANCTIONS**

Students who are found responsible for violating the guidelines established within the Student Conduct Code shall be subject to one or more of the following sanctions:

Protective & Disciplinary Sanctions

#### Dismissal:

Dismissal from the University for an indefinite period of time, and may be imposed even though trequirements before being reinstated.

#### Suspension:

Suspension from the University for a specific period of time as determined by a designated University official. The sanction of suspension may be imposed even though the student has not received a previous sanction of warning or probation. Suspension includes the restriction that the student may not be on University property or attend University events. Only when the designated period of suspension has expired may a student apply for readmission to the University. Students who have been suspended must meet all other University requirements before being reinstated.

# Interim Suspension:

The Vice President for Student Affairs or the Dean of Students may suspend a student on an interim or temporary basis when there is a determination that the student's presence is of a serious or immediate threat to the university community, or when under crisis or emergency circumstances. The student retains the right of a hearing as outlined in the Eagle Student Handbook. Under the terms of interim suspension a student may be asked to leave the campus immediately.

# University Housing Dismissal:

Indefinite removal of student and ban from university housing. The sanction of dismissal from a residence hall may be imposed even though the student has not received a previous sanction of warning or probation.

#### University Housing Suspension:

Removal and ban of student from university housing for a specific period of time. sanction of suspension from a residence hall may be imposed even though the student has not received a previous sanction of warning or probation. Only when the designated period of suspension has expired may a student apply to live in University-owned housing facilities. Students who have been suspended from University Housing must meet all other sanctioning requirements before being reinstated.

#### Restriction:

An official notice that a student may not be present or have access, or may have limits to access, to a place, service, event, or function. Restrictions will be imposed for designated periods of time, and the parameters will be given to students in written form.

Administrative

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# Warnings

# Probated Dismissal:

A written notification that further violation of University policies, procedures, or regulations may result in a hearing to determine if the student should be dismissed from the University. Probated dismissal will be for a specific period of time.

#### Probated Suspension:

A written notification that further violation of University policies, procedures, or regulations may result in a hearing to determine if the student should be suspended from the University. Probated suspension will be for a specific period of time.

#### Probated Housing Suspension:

A written notification that further violation of University policies, procedures, or regulations may result in the removal of the student from university housing for a specific period of time as determined by a designated University official.

# Housing Probation:

A written notice that any further violation of the student conduct code occurring in a University residential facility will result in a Probated Housing Suspension or may result in hearing for Housing Suspension. Housing Probation may include designated restrictions on the student.

# Probation:

A written notice that any further violation of the student conduct code will result in more serious sanctions. Probation may include designated

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# Reflection Paper:

An assigned paper that requires the student to reflect on their experiences, decision-making, impact, and future actions.

# Other Educational Sanctions:

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