

Santa Monica College

Administrative Regulation 4410

Rules for Student Conduct

The following are rules for minimum student conduct. Students enrolling in the college assume an obligation to conduct themselves in a manner compatible with the college's function as an educational institution. Misconduct or "good cause" for which students are subject to discipline falls into the following categories:

- A. Continued disruptive behavior, continued willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or the open and persistent defiance of the authority of or persistent abuse of, college personnel.[E.C. 76033(a)].
- B. Assault, battery, or any threat of force or violence upon a student, college personnel.[E.C. 76033(b)].
- C. Sexual harassment, sexual assault, including, but not limited to, rape, forced sodomy, forced oral copulation, rape by foreign object, sexual battery, or threat of sexual assault.
- D. Willful misconduct which results in injury or death to a student, college personnel or college visitor or which results in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or personal property owned by District. [E.C. 76033©].
- E. The use, sale, or possession on campus of, or presence on campus or at any college sponsored event, under the influence of, any controlled substances without prescribed direction of a licensed medical authority or any poison classified as such by Schedule D in Section 4160 of the State of California Business and Professions Code. [E.C. 76033(d)].
- F. Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking has been prohibited by law or by regulation of the Board of Trustees. [E.C. 76033(e)].
- G. Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct. [E.C. 76033(f)].
- H. Dishonesty, including, but not limited to cheating, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the college.
- I. Forgery, alteration, or misuses of college documents, records, or identification.
- J. Obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary procedures, or other college activities, including, but not limited to, community service functions, or of other authorized activities.
- K. Theft of or damage to property of the college or of a member of the college community or campus visitor.
- L. Willful or blatant misuse of email or other inappropriate forms of communication towards faculty, staff or students including but not limited to phone, voicemail, written notes and any form of electronic communication.
- M. Unauthorized entry to or use of college supplies, equipment including computer hardware, and licensed software, and/or facilities.
- N. Violation of college policies or of campus regulations, including, but not limited to, campus regulations concerning student organizations, the use of college facilities, responsible computer use policy, or the time, place, and manner of public expression, library procedures, college bills and debts, or residence.
- O. Disorderly conduct or lewd, indecent, or obscene conduct or expression on college-owned or controlled property or at college sponsored or supervised functions.
- P. Failure to comply with directions of college officials acting in the performance of their duties.
- Q. Possession or use of alcoholic beverages on the campus property, at any college-sponsored event, or presence on campus or at any college-sponsored event while under the influence of alcohol.
- R. Illegal possession or use of firearms, explosives, dangerous chemicals or other weapons on college property or at college-sponsored activities.
- S. Stalking: The act or crime of willfully and repeatedly following or harassing another person in circumstances that would cause a reasonable person to fear injury or death especially because of expressed or implied threats.
- T. Hate crimes or hate incidents: A hate crime or hate incident is any act or attempted act directed against a person(s) based on the victim's actual or perceived race, nationality, religion, sexual orientation, disability or gender. The difference between a hate incident and a hate crime is that a hate incident is a non-criminal act.
- U. Any other offense set forth in the State of California Education Code which constitutes "good cause."

No student shall be removed, suspended, or expelled unless the conduct for which the student is disciplined is related to college activity or attendance. [E.C. 76034]

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