

Code of Student Conduct

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10.1 Academic Integrity

High standards of academic integrity are crucial for the University to fulfill its educational mission. To uphold these standards, procedures have been established to address violations of Academic Integrity. A Student is responsible for submitting work for evaluation that reflects the Student's performance. If a Student has a question regarding the Instructor's expectations for assignments, projects, tests, or other items submitted for a grade, it is the Student's responsibility to seek clarification from the Instructor.

In accordance with the LSU Faculty Handbook, an Instructor may not assign a disciplinary grade, such as an "F" or zero (0) on an assignment, test examination, or course as a sanction for admitted or suspected violation of Academic Integrity in lieu of referring the Student to SAA under the provisions of this Code. Any grade assigned because of a violation of Academic Integrity must be in accordance with this Code.

A Student found Responsible for a violation of Academic Integrity may NOT drop the course in which the violation occurred. Any Student who drops the course without written permission from SAA will be re-enrolled in the class and then given the appropriate grade as provided in the

Outcome. A Student may be charged with a violation of Academic Integrity for the following acts or omissions:

Collaboration. Unauthorized communication or interaction between two or more individuals on any academic work by giving, receiving, or otherwise sharing information without permission of the Instructor.

Copying. Copying from another Student's academic work; assisting with copying by making answers or other completed assignments available, in whole or part, to another Student, whether or not the recipient's intentions to copy were known to the Student prior to the sharing.

Failure to Follow Course Requirements. Failure to adhere to standards of conduct for academic integrity that are promulgated by an academic unit or Instructor.

False information. Falsifying or fabricating any information, data, or citation in any academic work including but not limited to documents intended to support medical excuses or absence from class or academic work.

Misrepresentation. Misleading an Instructor as to the condition under which the work was prepared including, but not limited to, undisclosed Artificial Intelligence (AI) use, substituting for another Student, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself on any academic work.

Other Academic Misconduct. Attempting to commit, or assisting someone in the commission or attempted commission of an offense defined in this section, or any other act that may create an unfair academic advantage.

Plagiarism. Lack of appropriate citation, or the unacknowledged inclusion of someone else's words, structure, ideas, or data; failure to identify a source, or the submission of essentially the same work for two assignments without permission of the Instructor.

Unauthorized Materials. Using any material, technique, application, artificial intelligence (AI), or device on an academic assignment that is prohibited; having any forbidden or unauthorized material, technique, application, artificial intelligence (AI), or device available on any academic work will be considered a violation.

10.2 Behavioral Misconduct

A Student or RSO may be charged with Behavioral Misconduct for any of the following acts or omissions:

Alcohol. Unlawful or unauthorized possession, use, distribution, delivery, or sale of alcohol and/or public intoxication; consumption that endangers oneself; or operating a vehicle while intoxicated or under the influence of alcohol.

Coercive Behavior. An act by an individual or a group that, as an explicit or implicit condition for initiation to, admission into, affiliation with, or continued membership in a group or organization, regardless of consent, which tends to or which is intended to demean, disgrace, humiliate or degrade a Student, which includes but not limited to forced conduct

that could result in extreme embarrassment, or other forced activity that could adversely affect the mental health or dignity of a Student. Examples of coercive behavior include, but are not limited to, line-ups, scavenger hunts and personal servitude.

Complicity. Attempting to commit, knowingly permitting, encouraging, or assisting others with the commission or attempted commission of any act, omission or conduct prohibited under this Code.

Computer Misuse. Unauthorized access or entry into a computer, computer system, network, software, or data; alteration of computer equipment, software, network or data; failing to comply with laws, license agreements, and contracts governing network, software and hardware use; using University computing resources for prohibited activities; using University computing resources for unauthorized solicitation or commercial purposes or any violation of LSU computer policies.

Disorderly Conduct. Behavior that disrupts peace, interferes with University operations, or impacts the rights and safety of others. Prohibited behaviors include, but are not limited to:

1. Creating disturbances by engaging in fighting, threats of violence, reckless driving, drunk and disorderly conduct, or any behavior that disturbs the peace, impeded rights of others, or negatively impacts the safety of University events.
2. Offensive or obscene Acts, including lewd exposure, urinating in public, or other conduct a reasonable person would consider obscene.

Disruption/Obstruction. Disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, administration, Accountability proceeding, or other University activities and/or the performance of duties of University personnel or contractors.

Drugs. Possession, use, public intoxication, sharing, furnishing or distribution of illegal drugs, intoxicants, controlled substances, drug paraphernalia, prescription medication contrary to a valid prescription, or operating a vehicle while under the influence of drug(s).

Endangerment. Physical abuse or force against one's self, another individual, or group, or the reasonable apprehension or threat of such harm; conduct that endangers the health, safety, or well-being of one's self or another person or group.

Failure to Comply. Defying the order or instruction of a University official, other authorized person on behalf of the University or any University policy, contract, mandate or rule.

False Information. Providing false information to a law enforcement officer, to the University or a University official, or making an intentional or reckless misrepresentation which creates an unfair advantage or is reasonably likely to damage, mistreat or harm another.

Forgery. Altering, falsifying, or otherwise misrepresenting documents to the University or relating to any University official or office.

Harassment. Repeated, persistent, severe, or pervasive action directed toward a specific individual or individuals with the intent or effect to harass, harm, or alarm, through oral, written, graphic, physical, or social media contact. Harassment includes attempted or

threatened physical contact or an act that creates the reasonable apprehension of unwanted contact, or any repeated pattern of verbal communications or nonverbal behavior, without invitation or over an individual's objection, which includes but is not limited to making telephone calls, emails, electronic communications, or sending letters or pictures.

Hazing. Hazing means an act by an individual or a group that, as an explicit or implicit condition for initiation to, admission into, affiliation with, or continued membership in a group or organization, regardless of consent:

1. Endangers the physical health or safety of a person or would cause a reasonable person severe emotional distress;
2. Results in the destruction or removal of public or private property;
3. Involves the consumption of alcohol or drugs;
4. Involves the consumption of substances to excess or placement of substances on the body;
5. Involves sexual activity;
6. Involves violation of federal, state or local law or University policy; or
7. Disrupts the academic performance or class attendance of a person.

It is not a defense to a charge of hazing that (i) the consent of the person had been obtained; (ii) the conduct or activity that resulted in the death or injury of a person was not part of an official organizational event or was not otherwise sanctioned or approved by the organization; or (iii) the conduct or activity that resulted in death or injury of the person was not done as a condition of membership to an organization.

The following is a non-exclusive list of examples of acts which, regardless of severity, constitute hazing:

- Physical brutality, such as whipping, beating, paddling, striking, branding, electronic shocking, placing of a harmful substance on the body, or similar activity;
- Physical activities, such as sleep deprivation, exposure to the elements or extreme conditions, imprisonment, confinement, or calisthenics;
- Consumption of food, liquid, or any other substance, including but not limited to alcoholic beverages or drugs, that subjects the person to an unreasonable risk of harm or that may adversely affect the physical health or safety of the person;
- Placement of substances on the body of a person;
- Kidnapping or dropping a person off campus without return transportation;
- Activity that induces, causes, or requires an individual to perform a duty or task that involves the commission of a crime or an act of hazing.

Identity Misuse. Illegal or unauthorized use of an identification card, password, access code or number; including, but not limited to permitting another Student or non-Student to use a University or government-issued identification card; alteration or sale of an identification card.

Improper Sales & Solicitation. Unauthorized or prohibited solicitation, sale of goods or services, fundraising, canvassing, distribution or posting of any written material, email, web, or printed material, including but not limited to any offer to sell or purchase an identification card for improper use or any offer to sell or purchase academic materials which, if used, would result in a violation of Academic Integrity.

Property Misuse. Intentional or reckless destruction, defacement or damage to University property or to the property of any individual or group.

Residential Life. Violating, attempting to violate, or assisting the violation of any agreement, contract, rule, policy, and/or handbook of the Department of Residential Life.

Retaliation. Any acts or attempted acts against an individual for the purpose of discouraging and/or exercising right(s) of an individual under the Code.

Safety. Tampering with or unapproved activation of any safety equipment and/or warning system; setting or causing a fire on Campus; engaging in dangerous activities contrary to posted or verbal warnings.

Stalking. Repeated, unwanted conduct toward or contact with another individual, including but not limited to, following someone, lying in wait, persistent presence around an individual, contacting an individual verbally, electronically, via social media or third party over the individual's objection, or threats to an individual or to the individual's family, friends, or property, that would cause a reasonable person fear or substantial emotional distress.

Theft. Using, depriving, removing, or possessing the property and/or services of the University or another individual without entitlement or authorization.

Trespassing. Unauthorized entry or use of any property or facility.

Unauthorized Surveillance. Creating, making, possessing, storing, sharing, or distributing unauthorized video, digital, or photographic images of a person taken in a location in which that person has a reasonable expectation of privacy.

Violating a Rule of the University. Violating, attempting to violate, or assisting in the violation of any contract, rule, policy, bylaw, and/or regulation of the University.

Weapons. Possession on one's person, which includes any bag, case, container, purse, clothing, or backpack and/or use of any weapon, defined as any object used or designed to inflict or attempt to inflict harm or injury or fear of harm or injury. Weapons include, but are not limited to firearms, facsimile guns, air guns, knives, explosives, any dangerous chemical or biological agent or any other object or material capable of causing harm, and used by the offending person to inflict or attempt to inflict fear, harm or injury.

11.0 Outcomes

12.0 Accountability Records

The LSU Code of Student Conduct has been revised previously: November 1969, September 1972, April 1982, February 1987, March 1990, October 1999, August 2002, August 2009, January 2014, August 2018, January 2022, January 2023, August 2023, August 2024

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ONLINE REPORTING SYSTEM ([HTTPS://WWW.LSU.EDU/LSUCARES](https://www.lsu.edu/lrucares))

ACADEMIC INTERVENTION TEAM
([HTTPS://WWW.LSU.EDU/CAS/ABOUT/SERVICES/AIT.PHP](https://www.lsu.edu/cas/about/services/ait.php))

C.A.R.E. TEAM (/SAA/STUDENTS/ADVOCACY/INDEX.PHP)

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- Academic Intervention (<https://www.lsu.edu/cas/about/services/ait.php>)
- Academic Misconduct (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=3)
- Behavioral Misconduct (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=1)
- Bias or Discrimination (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=6)
- Hazing (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=5)

- **Organization Misconduct** (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=9)
- **Pregnancy Needs** (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=7)
- **Sexual Misconduct** (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=40)
- **Student Grievances** (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=4)
- **Students of Concern** (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?LouisianaStateUniv&layout_id=2)



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Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Website Feedback (<https://itservice.lsu.edu/TDClient/51/OCUR/Requests/ServiceDet?ID=732>)

Report ADA Accessibility Concerns

(<https://itservice.lsu.edu/TDClient/30/Portal/Requests/ServiceDet?ID=653>)

Accessibility Statement (/engagement/ocr-tix/accessibility/index.php)

Non-Discrimination Notice (/nondiscrimination/index.php)

Our Commitment to Engagement (/president/messages/2024/2024-01-05-engagement-message.php)

Privacy Statement (/privacy/index.php)

Student Advocacy & Accountability (/saa/index.php)

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