

and emotional health of themselves and others.

Accordingly, students of legal age (e.g., age 21 in Louisiana) may consume alcoholic beverages in a responsible manner and in conformity with Student Handbook policies. In the event that a student is brought to the attention of Loyola faculty or staff members as a result of alcohol issues, the student may be encouraged or required to resolve these concerns with a professional counselor at an on- or off- campus site. Examples of unacceptable occurrences include, but are not limited to: a) repeated intoxication, b) behavioral misconduct while under the influence, c) being transported to the hospital for endangerment from alcohol, and d) an inability to actively pursue one's own education. If sanctions are brought against a student for such incidents, then the student will be required to attend a judicial sanctions meeting with Loyola's adjudicating officer and/or a substance abuse evaluation and three substance abuse group meetings with a staff counselor or psychologist at Loyola's Counseling & Career Services Center. Depending on the severity of and circumstances surrounding the student sanction(s), the vice president for student affairs and associate provost may notify the parents or guardians of a student with an alcohol abuse or dependency issue. In some instances, a student may be suspended from Loyola and not be permitted to return until successful resolution of the alcohol abuse or dependence concern is documented to the satisfaction of the vice president of student affairs and associate provost.

The possession, consumption, and sale of alcoholic beverages on the Loyola University campus are permitted within the limits prescribed by state and federal laws and in accordance with the specific regulations that have been established by the university. The law of the State of Louisiana prohibits any person younger than 21 years of age from purchasing or publicly consuming or possessing any alcoholic beverage. Members of the university community or visitors to the campus may not carry open containers of alcohol on the university grounds or in campus buildings except in those places so designated for the consumption of alcohol, (e.g., The Underground, the Pine Street Café, an approved event, and the Residential Quad area providing a recreational sports activity or contest is not taking place in that area).

It is contrary to the law of the State of Louisiana and the university for any person under the age of 21 to present or offer to any person having a license or permit to sell alcoholic beverages any written, printed, or photostatic evidence of age and identity which is false, fraudulent, or not actually his or her own for the purpose of obtaining or purchasing alcoholic beverages. Persons found in violation on campus or at university events off campus may be subject to university disciplinary action up to and including a fine of \$200, compensatory service hours in the community, and/or prosecution under state law. FOR POLICIES REGARDING THE USE OF ALCOHOL IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS, CONSULT

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OF THIS HANDBOOK. FOR UNIVERSITY EVENTS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES WHERE ALCOHOL WILL BE SERVED, CONSULT CHAPTER 6 OF THIS HANDBOOK FOR APPLICABLE POLICIES.

Animals

Due to health, damage, and nuisance factors, pets are not permitted in the buildings or grounds of Loyola University. Fish in properly maintained aquariums and guide dogs for the visually impaired and a pet for the residential life professional staff who live on campus are the only exceptions. Violation of this policy can result in a \$10 fine.

Behavior Inappropriate for a Loyola Student

Each Loyola student is charged with the responsibility to refrain from dishonorable conduct which would serve his or her own benefit while violating the trust of his or her peers. An offense is the act of lying, cheating, stealing, libel, or the use of obscenities and/or abusive language which so violates and weakens the community of mutual trust. Students who violate this spirit of mutual trust have committed an offense against the community. This requires that a student govern his or her own conduct in an honorable way at all times in his or her dealings with any member of the university community.

Lying is a deliberate, unjustifiable misrepresentation of the truth made with the intent to mislead another about other than trivial matters.

Cheating is an intentional act to fraudulently deceive another.

Stealing is taking another person's property without authorization or consent.

Libel is the action of injuring a person's reputation by something printed or written or by a visible representation.

Responsible individual behavior is a basic expectation. Such behavior must stem from a recognition of and a basic concern and respect for the dignity, rights, and sensibilities of others. Therefore, any social behavior which might offend these rights, sensibilities, and dignity or which violate university policy or civil law is clearly inappropriate and will subject a student to discipline, up to and including suspension from the university. Using a rationale of interpersonal respect, the

university insists upon mature and morally sound behavior at all times.

In addition to the specific infractions of community life and civil law discussed in this handbook, shoplifting, gambling, conveying bomb threats, gross indecency, indecent exposure, and other obvious violations of civil and university law will be dealt with through the civil court and/or the university disciplinary system. In cases described above, the university may impose penalties up to and including suspension or dismissal.

Behavior on Other Campuses

In the New Orleans metropolitan area there are 12 institutions of higher education in relatively close proximity with numerous opportunity for students to visit other campuses. Because of the close proximity of the campuses, Loyola has a cooperative understanding with some institutions involving student misbehavior. Loyola students who violate host campus regulations while a student visitor or guest on other cooperating campuses may be referred to the student affairs office at Loyola for a hearing on the alleged offense, or referred to the local police at the discretion of the responsible parties on the host campus

Bias-Related Behavior Policy

Loyola University values the diversity of its students, faculty, and staff. The variety of backgrounds, interests, and values represented in the diversity enhances the opportunities for personal growth through greater awareness and appreciation of differences. Loyola intends to foster a campus community where people can work and learn with respect, dignity, and freedom from discrimination. The university remains committed to principles of equal and open access for all without regard for race, color, religion, national origin, gender, gender orientation, age, marital status, handicapping condition, or status as a veteran. The university also remains strongly committed to the principle of academic freedom and the value of free expression. Respect for these rights requires a tolerance for expressions of opinions that differ from our own or that some might find abhorrent. However, any person who displays actions which would be construed by a reasonable person to manifest bias-related behavior, shall be subject to disciplinary action.

Bias-related behaviors are actions or expressions which may cause violent situations, create a clear and present danger of violent situations, or which represent an attempt to demean, degrade, or harass members of the university community. Such actions would include, but are not limited to, acts of violence, physical, and/or non-verbal threats, harassment, slurs, degrading humor, written materials such as epithets, graffiti, or other similar expression. Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the university.

Computer Resources Access/Use Policy

The Office of Information Technology provides a variety of computer resources to enhance the instructional and research environment at the university. These computing facilities are intended solely for use by Loyola students, faculty, and staff in accordance with the instructional, research, community service, and administrative goals of the university. The computing facilities may not be used for profit-making, commercial, or political activities. They may not be used in any manner that attempts to violate or violates applicable state or federal laws. All users shall respect the privacy and usage privileges of others which includes not accessing or copying e-mail, data program files, etc. of others. Users shall follow appropriate standards of civility to communicate with others. Such behavior involves identifying oneself when sending personal messages and refraining from any harassing, discriminatory, obscene, fraudulent, defamatory, threatening, or coercive comments or activity. Nor may any user of Loyola's computer resources gain or seek to gain unauthorized access to computer facilities, or to the data, programs, processes, electronic communications, or equipment of another user. Students may not have access or use the university's administrative computer system except in the performance of their assigned duties as a student employee of a university department.

Users shall abide by all copyright laws; thus unauthorized attempts to browse, access, solicit, copy, use, modify, or delete electronic documents or programs belonging to other people, whether at the university or elsewhere, will be considered a serious violation of this policy.

The unauthorized access to or use of university computer systems is not only a violation of university policy subjecting a student to discipline up to and including suspension, but also a serious breach of law. In addition to civil penalties which might arise as a result of the improper use of computer resources, the State of Louisiana has enacted a number of laws construing inappropriate or unauthorized use of computers as criminal behavior. Destruction, modification, use, copying, or accessing data or programs stored in or with a computer without authorization may result in up to five years of imprisonment, a \$10,000 fine, or both. (See complete university policy located on www.loyno.edu).