

## **SECTION I: STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT**

Nevada State College and the UCCSN have established regulations for student conduct that augment local, state and national law. Subsection A includes prohibited conduct established by Nevada State College; Subsection B includes disciplinary procedures for students; Subsection C focuses on sanctions; Subsection D contains the types of hearings; and Subsection E has other regulations governing hearings.

### **Subsection A: Nevada State College Prohibited Activities**

Students and recognized student organizations are expected at all times to conduct themselves in accordance with college regulations and policies. The following acts are prohibited and may result in disciplinary sanctions:

1. Failure to comply with the directions of college officials in the performance of their duties.
2. Failure of the student to present proof of student status to college employees upon their request.
3. Obstructing college employees in the performance of their duties.
4. Unauthorized access to posted restricted areas, such as ledges, roofs, or any part of a college facility's outside structure.
5. The unauthorized possession, loan, distribution or reproduction of keys to college facilities.
6. Setting off a fire alarm for reasons other than actual fire or emergency; tampering with fire protection equipment or device.
7. Failure to evacuate a college building when a fire/emergency alarm is sounded.
8. False reporting of any emergency.
9. Carrying, possessing, or using firearms on college-owned or college-controlled property, except as required for: (1) educational programs; (2) authorized use in established rifle and pistol ranges; and, (3) police and military purposes.
10. No student under 21 years of age may possess or consume alcohol, neither shall a student offer alcoholic beverages to persons under 21 years of age on campus or during campus related activities.
11. Use or possession of alcoholic beverages; use or possession of illegal and/or unauthorized drugs and drug paraphernalia is prohibited.
12. Being under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance, or the exhibiting of disruptive behavior while under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances while on college property or at a college-sponsored activity.
13. Acts of physical force or disruptive acts which interfere with NSC activities, freedom of movement on the campuses or freedom for students to pursue their studies are the antithesis of academic freedom and responsibility, as are acts which in effect deny freedom of speech, freedom to be heard, and freedom to pursue research of their own choosing to members of the faculty, students or to invited guests of Nevada State College. This prohibition includes situations that produce mental or physical discomfort,

ridicule, or degrade or endanger, or otherwise compromise the dignity of the student(s) or persons involved.

14. The use of, or threat to use, force or violence against any member or guest of the system community, except when lawfully permissible.
15. Interference by force, threat, or duress with the lawful freedom of movement of persons or vehicles on college premises.
16. The intentional disruption or unauthorized interruption of functions of the system, including but not limited to classes, convocations, lectures, meetings, recruiting interviews, and social events, on or off premises of the system.
17. Willful damage, destruction, defacement, theft, or misappropriation of equipment or property belonging to, in the possession of, or on premises occupied by the system.
18. Knowing possession on any premises of the system of any firearms, explosives, dangerous chemicals or other instruments of destruction, or other dangerous weapons as defined by the laws of the State of Nevada, without the written authorization of the president of any system institution or the president's authorized agent, unless such possession reasonably relates to duly recognized system functions by appropriate members of the faculty, other employees, or students.
19. Continued occupation of buildings, structures, grounds, or premises belonging to, or occupied by, the system after having been ordered to leave by the president of a system institution or the president's designee.
20. Forgery, alteration, falsification, or destruction of system documents, or furnishing false information in documents submitted to the University and Community College System Nevada.
21. Making an accusation which is intentionally false or is made with reckless disregard for the truth against any member of the system community by filing a complaint or charges under this code or under any applicable established grievance procedures in the system.
22. The repeated use of obscene or abusive language in a classroom or public meeting of the system where such usage is beyond the bounds of generally accepted good taste and which, if occurring in a class, is not significantly related to the teaching of the subject matter.
23. Willful incitement of individuals to commit any of the acts herein prohibited.
24. Disorderly, lewd, or indecent conduct occurring on system premises or at a system-sponsored function on or off such premises.
25. Any act prohibited by local, state, or federal law which occurs on system premises or at a system-sponsored function on or off such premises.
26. The use of threats of violence against a faculty member or the faculty member's family in order to secure preferential treatment for grades, loans, employment, or other service or privilege accorded by the system.
27. Any act of unlawful discrimination based on race, creed, color, sex, age, handicap, or national origin.
28. Any act of sexual harassment when submission to a request or demand of a sexual nature is either an explicit or implicit term or condition of employment or of academic

grading, or where verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature has the effect of creating an intimidating, offensive, or hostile work or classroom environment.

29. Acts of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating, plagiarism, falsifying research data or results, or assisting others to do the same.
30. Willfully destroying, damaging, tampering, altering, stealing, misappropriating, or using without permission any system, program, or file of the University and Community College System of Nevada.
31. Acts of hazing. Hazing is defined as any method of initiation into or affiliation with the university or community college community, a student organization, a sports team, an academic association, or other group engaged in by an individual that intentionally or recklessly endangers another individual.
32. Any other conduct which violates applicable, stated prohibitions, policies, procedures, rules, regulations, or bylaws of a system institution.

## **Subsection B: Disciplinary Procedures for Students**

### **Introduction**

Students charged with violations of system or college regulations may be subject to disciplinary action. The procedures for carrying out student discipline are based upon those procedures established by the Nevada System of Higher Education, found in Chapter 6 of the Board of Regents Code. It is the belief of the college that the judicial proceedings should have an educational outcome, while accomplishing the goal of resolution of the problematic behavior. Presented in this section are college procedures that exist to ensure due process and to support the rights of all students.

The following procedures will be followed to address complaints against students referred to the Office of the Vice Provost of Student Experience for alleged misconduct. Complaints involving alleged violations of the academic dishonesty policy will follow the procedures outlined in Section III. Complaints may be received from any department or individual member of the college community.

1. All complaints are filed with the Office of the Vice Provost of Student Experience (VPSE). Complaints should:
  - a. Be in written form and dated
  - b. Must be from the complainant
  - c. State to the extent possible – date(s), time(s), name(s) and circumstance(s) of the violation
  - d. Names of witnesses, if any