

3344-83-01 Introduction and purpose.

- (A) In order to carry out its mission, the university community shall promulgate and enforce appropriate rules, regulations and policies and take action when violations of such rules, regulations and policies occur.
- (B) Students voluntarily enter into membership in the university community and, in so doing, assume obligations of performance and behavior reasonably expected by that community for the purpose of furthering its mission, objectives, processes and functions.
- (C) Students accept the rights and obligations set forth in this chapter and other university rules, regulations, and policies when they are admitted to the university. Students are also subject to the laws of the state of Ohio and the regulations, codes of honor and conduct and academic standards of any unit within the university to which the student belongs.
- (D) The provost of the university, or designee, shall have the final responsibility and authority for the discipline of all students at the university. Duly constituted student judicial bodies and appellate bodies as defined in the student conduct code (the “code”) are authorized to conduct student or student organization disciplinary hearings and appeals and to impose university disciplinary action as set forth in this code. Disciplinary action may be taken on the basis of university rules, regulations, policies and procedures and may include but is not limited to counseling, admonition, sanctions or separation from the university community. When extenuating circumstances warrant, the vice president for student affairs may extend the deadlines set forth in this chapter. Extenuating circumstances including, but are not limited to, delays caused by semester breaks, serious illness or unavoidable periods where the student does not have access to mail or email.
- (E) As a public institution of higher education, Cleveland state university seeks to advance knowledge, promote scholarship and create an environment conducive to the intellectual and personal growth and development of all its students. In keeping with these aims, the university recognizes the following rights of students.
 - (1) Nondiscrimination - students have the right to be free from discrimination on the basis of race, sex (including pregnancy), religion, color, age, national origin, veteran and/or military status, genetic information, or

disability and discrimination/harassment toward individuals for other reasons such as sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, marital status or parental status.

- (2) Freedom of expression - students have the right of expression to the extent permitted by law and university rules and regulations.
 - (3) Freedom of assembly - students have the right to assemble, provided that the operation and functioning of the university is not disrupted, the movement of individuals is not restricted and the activity complies with applicable laws, and university rules and regulations.
 - (4) Due process - students have the right to be treated in an impartial and judicious manner by the university, as provided for by law and university rules and regulations.
 - (5) Participation - students have the right to establish and elect a democratic student government, to organize and join student organizations, and to be selected or appointed as members of appropriately designated university committees, in accordance with university rules and regulations.
 - (6) Redress of grievances - students have the right of access to copies of university rules and regulations directly affecting them and to petition for the redress of grievances, within the university's grievance procedures.
- (F) All of the rights listed in this rule can be exercised only in accordance with university rules and regulations and federal, state and local laws.

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