



Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board Policies Chapter 3 – Educational Policies

3.6 Student Conduct

Part 1. Student Conduct Policy. Each college and university shall establish a code of student conduct that states its student conduct policies and its procedures for the administration of student conduct proceedings. Hazing, whether occurring on or off-campus, shall be included in each institution's list of prohibited behavior. Students shall be afforded appropriate due process in the resolution of any allegation(s) of violations of the code of student conduct. Students found responsible for violations are subject to sanctions which in more serious cases may include removal from student housing or suspension or expulsion from the college/university. Annually, and upon amendment, colleges and universities shall notify students of the availability and location of the code of conduct and a copy of the code shall be posted at appropriate locations on campus and on the college/university website. Allegations of discrimination, harassment, sexual violence, fraud or dishonest acts as defined in Board Policy 1C.2 shall be resolved pursuant to Board policy. Allegations of academic dishonesty may be resolved under separate procedures in accordance with an institution's policies on those issues.

Part 2. Off-campus Conduct. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities may hold students accountable for a violation of the behavioral proscriptions contained in their Student Codes of Conduct committed off campus when:

- Hazing is involved; or
- The violation is committed while participating in a college or university sanctioned or sponsored activity; or
- The victim of the violation is a member of the college or university community; or
- The violation constitutes a felony under state or federal law; or
- The violation adversely affects the educational, research, or service functions of the college or university.

Part 3. Appeal. Students found to be responsible for a conduct violation shall be provided an avenue of appeal within the institution. In addition, in cases involving sanctions of suspension for 10 days or longer, students shall be informed of their right to a contested case hearing under [Minnesota State Statute 14](#).

Part 4. Procedures. The chancellor shall establish procedures to implement this policy. The student conduct codes and procedures of colleges and universities shall comply with Policy 3.6 and Procedure 3.6.1.

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12/7/05 – some procedural language moved into a newly created Procedure 3.6.1. Policy was amended to change language from a judicial context to a student development context. New language requires that students be informed of the student conduct code and the policy authorizes the creation of a procedure. The proposed procedure adds clarifying language, deletes unnecessary language, and changes language to be consistent with a student development model. deleted Part 1 Definitions, deleted Part 3 Contents of Code of Student Conduct, deleted Part 4 Process, deleted Part 6 Summary Suspensions. Created new Part 4 Procedures

04/29/98 amendments regarding “hazing”