

1.0 Student Conduct as a Condition of Enrollment

- 1.1 A student enrolling in one of the Los Rios colleges may rightfully expect that students, faculty and administrators will maintain an environment in which there is freedom to learn. As members of the college community, students should be encouraged to develop the capacity for critical judgment; to engage in sustained and independent search for truth; and to exercise their rights to free inquiry and free speech in a responsible non-violent manner.
- 1.2 Student conduct must comply with federal and state laws, college rules and regulations, and District policies and regulations. Students who violate such rules and regulations are subject to disciplinary action.

2.0 Tolerance of Divergent Opinions

- 2.1 Within any active college community there will be a difference of opinion on many vital issues which confront society. There is a legitimate need to examine and discuss these issues on a college campus. Students should be provided opportunities to discuss such issues and be assured that peaceful protest on their part will be allowed and protected. The College shall establish procedures for orderly petition and protest.
- 2.2 Discussions and protests which violate the rights, privileges and property of other members of a college community are not in keeping with the purposes for which a college exists.

3.0 Violation of Rights of Others

- 3.1 The violation of the legitimate rights of others, physical abuse and intimidation, violence, the destruction or seizure of college property, cannot and will not be recognized as acceptable tactics for expressing a point of view. Such behavior cannot be condoned in an academic community.
- 3.2 It is the intent of this policy to protect the rights of all, minority and majority, to provide a climate of civility and rationality and to establish and declare clear opposition to violence as a form of persuasion.

4.0 Computer-Related Crimes (Penal Code § 502)

- 4.1 The Legislature has declared that individuals, governmental agencies and businesses should be protected from tampering, interference, damage and unauthorized access to lawfully-created computer data and computer systems.
- 4.2 In furtherance of this protection, Penal Code § 502 specifies computer-related crimes and appropriate punishment for such violations.
- 4.3 Penal Code § 502 mandates community colleges to include computer-related

crimes as a specific violation of college policies and regulations that may subject a student to disciplinary sanctions up to and including dismissal from the academic institution

5.0 Standards of Behavior

- 5.1 The colleges are expected to clarify those standards of behavior which they consider essential to their educational philosophies. These general behavioral expectations and the resultant specific regulations should represent a reasonable governance of student conduct.
- 5.2 Students should participate in formulating regulations on student conduct and these regulations should be published in the student handbook or a generally available body of college regulations.
- 5.3 Students should expect uniform, objective and equal treatment for all who violate college rules and regulations.

6.0 Disciplinary Action

- 6.1 The Chancellor is delegated the authority to enforce such rules and regulations and shall establish the process for such enforcement.
- 6.2 The Board authorizes the Chancellor to take disciplinary action for discerned misconduct and will follow the procedure of due process established in Regulation 2442.

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