





## SECTION 1: PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

The Kennesaw State University community is committed to fostering a university environment that is conducive to academic inquiry, a productive university life and thoughtful study and discourse. A unit of the Dean of Students Office, the Department of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity (SCAI) is committed to an educational and developmental conduct process that balances the interests of

## SECTION 2: JURISDICTION

The Codes of Student Conduct and associated process and procedures apply to the conduct of individual students and all University-affiliated student organizations. Student includes, but is not limited to, those enrolled in undergraduate and graduate courses, education abroad experiences, and other programs and classes hosted or sponsored by KSU. For the purposes of student conduct, the University considers an individual to be a student when an offer of admission has been extended and thereafter as long as the student has a continuing educational interest in the University, or an individual lives in any

The University retains conduct jurisdiction over students who choose to take a leave of absence, withdraw or have graduated for any misconduct that occurred prior to,









**20) Animals.** Animals within University buildings, with the exception of those whose presence the University is required by law to allow.

**21) Recreational Wheeled Devices.** Skateboards, roller blades, roller skates, bicycles and similar wheeled devices may not be used inside University buildings, residence halls, parking decks, or on tennis courts. Additionally, skateboards and other wheeled items may not be ridden on railings, curbs, benches, or any such fixtures that may be damaged by these activities and individuals may be liable for damage to University property caused by these activities.

Social Justice: Students recognize that respecting the dignity of every person is essential for creating and sustaining a flourishing university community. They understand and appreciate how their decisions and actions impact others and are just and equitable in their treatment of all members of the community. They act to discourage and challenge those whose actions may be harmful to and/or diminish the worth of others. Conduct that violates this value includes, but is not limited to:

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- a)
- b)
- c)

**23) Harassment.** Any unwelcome conduct based on actual or perceived status including: (sex, gender, gender identity, race, color, age, creed, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability, veteran status, pregnancy status, religion, sexual orientation or other protected status). Any unwelcome conduct should be reported to campus officials, who will act to remedy and resolve reported incidents on behalf of the victim and community. Hostile Environment-sanctions can and will be imposed for the creation of a hostile environment only when [unwelcome] harassment is sufficiently severe, pervasive (or persistent) and objectively offensive that it unreasonably interferes with, limits or denies the ability to participate in or benefit from the educational or employment program or activities<sup>2</sup>.

**24) Retaliatory Discrimination or Harassment.** Any intentional, adverse action taken by an responding individual or allied third party, absent legitimate nondiscriminatory purposes, against a participant [or su2 reW\*0 674A.2ier

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<sup>2</sup>This policy attempts to balance the need of the community to create a civil climate while also embracing the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment protection that attaches to most harassing speech that is simply offensive.

Respect: University students

Responsibility: University students are given and accept a high level of responsibility to self, to others and to the community. Behavior that violates this value includes, but is not limited to:

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- I. Failure to remove oneself from a situation where an alcohol violation is occurring.

Emotional Support Animals on policy or

- b. Failure to participate in required residential activities (i.e., mandatory meetings, student conduct hearings, learning communities, rules, payment of rent/fees/fines, making residential unit



The following is prohibited:

- a. Producing any sound or other noise reaching beyond the limits of an individual room during Quiet Hours.
- b. Producing any elevated





even if the assignments in question do not receive individual

*As a member of the Kennesaw State University community of scholars, I understand that my actions are not only a reflection on myself, but also a reflection on the University and the larger body of scholars of which it is a part. Acting unethically, no matter how minor the offense, will be detrimental to my academic progress and self-image. It will also adversely affect all students, faculty, staff, the reputation of this University, and the value of the degrees it awards.*

*Whether on campus or online, I understand that it is not only my personal responsibility, but also a duty to the entire KSU community that I act in a manner consistent with the highest level of academic integrity. Therefore, I promise that as a member of the Kennesaw State University community, I will not participate in any form of academic misconduct.*

Types of Academic Misconduct:

- 1) Cheating. Receiving, attempting to receive, knowingly giving or attempting to give unauthorized assistance in the preparation of any course work

destruction of the system and/or its performance, unauthorized copying of electronic information, use of threatening or obscene language, etc.).

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## SECTION 7: Interim Actions

Interim suspensions – that is, suspensions from the university while the investigation and adjudication process are proceeding – should only occur where necessary to maintain safety, and should be limited to those situations where the alleged offender poses a serious and immediate danger or threat to persons or property. In making such an assessment, the institution should consider the existence of a significant risk to the health or safety of the campus community, the nature, duration, and severity of the risk, the probability of potential injury, and whether reasonable modifications of policies, practices, or procedures will significantly mitigate the risk.

Before an interim suspension is issued, the institution must make all reasonable efforts to give the respondent the opportunity to be heard on whether his or her presence on campus poses a danger. If an interim suspension is issued, the terms of the suspension shall take effect immediately. When requested by the respondent, a hearing to determine wh