

College Policies, Procedures, and Guidelines

Cuyahoga Community College is committed to providing high-quality, accessible and affordable education within a student-centered environment.

To maintain these high standards, the College must furnish an atmosphere conducive to student and educational growth, as well as one that encourages civility. The Student Conduct Code fosters and protects the mission of the College, promotes the scholarly and civic development of the students in a safe and secure learning environment, and protects the people, properties and processes that support the College and its mission.

The Student Conduct Code identifies prohibited conduct and clarifies when the code applies to student behavior. The Student Conduct Code closely relates to the College's Student Judicial System procedure (rule 3354:1-30-03.6), which sets forth penalties imposed for prohibited conduct and establishes a disciplinary process for alleged violations.

Our goal is for students to mature both socially and intellectually during their time at Tri-C. Students will gain understanding of the institutional values reflected in our policies and become familiar with the importance of personal integrity.

The core values of the Office of Student Affairs provide a framework for programs and practices that mirror the institutional values of **integrity, respect, responsibility, fairness and diversity**.

The College promotes a civil environment in which all students can learn and grow. Examples of behaviors that cultivate a civil atmosphere include:

- Attending class on time and actively participating.
- Listening in class when the instructor or other students are speaking.
- Turning your cellphone and other electronic devices off during class time, unless otherwise instructed.
- Respecting the rights of others to express viewpoints different from your own.

As a Cuyahoga Community College student, you are expected to uphold these core values and contribute to the growth and development of the campus. It is the student's responsibility – and in their best interest – to become familiar with all applicable conduct-related policies. The student conduct process is not a legal process and is separate from local, state and federal court proceedings.

Rather, the standard of responsibility is based on a preponderance of evidence. The student conduct process is designed to:

- Determine consequences for behaviors that violate College rules and policies and/or local, state and federal laws.
- Offer outcomes that assist students in learning about the impact of their actions.
- Protect the integrity of students, faculty, staff, the institution and the College community.

Contact your campus Student Affairs office for more information. We look forward to serving you!

Office of Student Affairs

Visit tri-c.edu/policies-and-procedures to view all College procedures. The student handbook is available online at tri-c.edu/studenthandbook.