

Student Code of Conduct

The Student Code of Conduct applies to all Pepperdine students across Seaver College, the Graduate School of Education and Psychology, the Graziadio Business School, the Caruso School of Law, and the School of Public Policy. Below is a description of the Code. Standards of Conduct that are subject to disciplinary action are listed by school on the left menu. Disciplinary procedures for all students can also be found on the left menu. Please contact us through the "Who We Are" menu if you have any questions or feedback.

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VI. Social Media Privacy

The University complies with all local, state, and federal laws governing social media privacy. Although the law prohibits the University from asking students, prospective students, or student groups to disclose a username or password for accessing personal social media, requesting access to personal social media, or divulging any personal social media to or in the presence of a University employee or representative, the University may lawfully require disclosure, access or view personal social media if necessary to investigate and take disciplinary action against any student, prospective student, or student group utilizing social media in ways that are unlawful, violate the Student Code of Conduct, or pose a threat to the safety of the campus community.

VII. Definition of Student

Student refers to a University student, including an applicant for admission; any matriculated undergraduate or graduate student who is enrolled in course work; has completed the immediately preceding term, is not presently enrolled, and is eligible for re-enrollment; is on an approved educational leave or other approved leave status; is currently serving a suspension, expulsion, or interim restriction; or is awaiting a degree. This includes the period before classes begin, while the student is attending classes.

XI. Violation of Law and University Discipline

University disciplinary proceedings may be instituted against a student charged with violation of a law. Disciplinary proceedings may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings.

XII. Interim Restriction

The vice president for student affairs or the University's dean of students or designee may impose an interim University-wide restriction or University housing restriction on a student respondent at any time after receiving a report. Such measures may be imposed: 1) to ensure the safety and well-being of members of the University community or preservation of University property; or 2) if the Respondent poses a definite threat of disruption of, or interference with, the normal operations of the University. During the interim restriction, the student may be denied access to the residence halls and/or to the campus (including classes).

The interim restriction does not replace the regular disciplinary process, which will proceed as set forth in this Policy, up to and through an appeal, if required. After being placed on an interim restriction, a student may appeal the decision by contacting the vice president for student affairs if the University's dean of students made the interim restriction decision or the University's dean of students if the vice president for student affairs made the decision.

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