Did you know….

- The Code of Student Conduct applies to all undergraduate and graduate students at The University of Akron, for both on and off campus behavior.

- It is your responsibility as a student to know and understand all university rules, regulations, and policies, including the Code of Student Conduct.

- Failure to abide by the university’s rules, regulations and policies may result in sanction(s)/consequence(s) by the university.

- Sanctions could include, but are not limited to: loss of privileges, loss of university housing, probation, workshops, essays, fines and community service.

- A current and printable version of the Code of Student Conduct, in its entirety, along with other important student conduct information, may be found on the web at:

  www.uakron.edu/studentconduct

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Administrative Fees

**Finding of Responsibility**

- Agreement reached during Fact Finding $50.00
- Agreement reached through Hearing Board (HB) Process $75.00

**Disciplinary Fines**

- Restitution-for lost/stolen/damaged while in possession cost plus 20%

**Substance Abuse Violations**

- Alcohol use/possession/distribution
  - 1st offense $50.00
  - 2nd offense $100.00
  - 3rd+ offense $150.00
- Drug/controlled substance use/possession
  - 1st offense $100.00
  - 2nd offense $150.00
  - 3rd+ offense $250.00

**Serious Violations of the Code of Conduct**

- Violent/threatening behavior $150.00
- Theft $150.00
- Weapons $150.00
- Drug sales/distribution $150.00
- Other fines up to $250.00
- A fine that corresponds to the nature of the violation

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PLEASE NOTE: Student Conduct hearings are held in addition to and separate from any criminal or civil court proceedings.

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Definitions of Misconduct

Complete definitions of student misconduct can be found at www.uakron.edu/studentconduct. Below is an abbreviated version of Section D of the Code of Student Conduct which defines misconduct as including the following actions:

1. **Academic misconduct** including, but not limited to:

   - **Cheating** (use of unauthorized assistance, submitting substantially the same work that has been submitted for another course, use of a prohibited source, inappropriate acquisition or distribution of academic materials or engaging in any behavior specifically prohibited by a faculty member.)

   - **Plagiarism** (intentional or unintentional representation of ideas or works of another author as a student’s own without properly citing the source or the use of materials prepared by another person.)

   - More information can be found at: www.uakron.edu/studentconduct

2. Knowingly **furnishing false or misleading information** to university officials including but not limited to forgery, alteration, or misuse of any university document, record or I.D.

3. Engaging in or threatening **physical abuse, verbal abuse, threats, intimidation, harassment, coercion**, and/or other conduct which intentionally or recklessly threatens or endangers the health, welfare or safety of any person.

4. **Disorderly, disruptive, lewd or indecent conduct.**

5. **Unauthorized use of an electronic or other device to make an audio or video recording** of any person without his or her prior knowledge or consent.

6. **Unauthorized distribution or dissemination of an audio or video recording or photograph** of any person without his or her prior knowledge or consent.

7. **Sexual harassment, sexual assault, imposition or sexual misconduct** including but not limited to any physical act of a sexual nature perpetrated against an individual without consent or when an individual is unable to freely give consent or unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

8. **Theft or attempted theft**, or willfully, recklessly, or negligently **destroying damaging, injuring or using another's property** without the consent of the owner.

9. **Use, possession, manufacture, cultivation, distribution or facilitating the distribution of marijuana** or any narcotic, hallucinogenic or other controlled substances.

10. **Use, possession, manufacture or distribution of alcoholic beverages or public intoxication** in a manner prohibited by law or university policy.

11. **Unlawful gambling** or participating in unlawful games of chance as defined in applicable federal, state and municipal law.

12. **Unlawful or unauthorized possession of firearms, fireworks, explosives, other weapons, or dangerous chemicals or using any such item, even if lawfully possessed, in a manner that harms, threatens or causes fear to others.**

13. **Commission of any felony or misdemeanor** under applicable federal, state or municipal law.

14. **Unauthorized possession, distribution, duplication, retention or use of keys to any university premises, or unauthorized entry into**, presence in, or use of university facilities.

15. **Behavior that the student knew or reasonably should have known would cause a disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings or other university activities.**

16. **Riotous behavior** including, but not limited to, participation in a disturbance with the purpose to commit or incite any action that presents a clear and present danger to others, causes physical harm to others or damages property.

17. **Possession of or permitting animals inside buildings** owned or leased by the University of Akron or its foundation. This excludes disability-related service animals and animals permitted within the residence halls by the residence life and housing contract.

18. **Theft or other abuse of computer facilities and resources** including but not limited to unauthorized entry into a file, unauthorized transfer of a file, use of another individual’s identification or password, use of computing facilities and resources to interfere with the work of another student, faculty member or university official, sending obscene or abusive messages, or interfering with normal operation of the university computing system.

19. **Hazing**, as defined by the Ohio Revised Code and Federal Law, including to knowingly fail to report hazing to law enforcement authorities or to Student Conduct.

20. Willful **failure to comply** with directions of university officials, faculty members, law enforcement officers or emergency personnel.

21. **Abuse of the student conduct system** including but not limited to failing to comply with notice to appear for a meeting or hearing, falsifying, distorting or misrepresenting information, causing a disruption or interference with the conduct process, attempting to discourage an individual’s participation in or use of the conduct process, attempting to influence the impartiality of a member of the hearing board, failing to comply with sanctions or influencing or attempting to influence another person to commit an abuse of the student conduct system.

22. Willfully, recklessly, or knowingly **engaging in conduct that violates any university policy, rule, or regulation** (for more information go to www.uakron.edu/ogc).

For information about violent offenses and Ohio law go to: www.uakron.edu/studentconduct/1219.dot.