Standards of Conduct--Shasta College Board Policy 5500
Reference:  Education Code Section 66300, 66301; Accreditation Standard 11.A.7b

Students and visitors to a Shasta College campus are expected to obey all California State laws and all Federal laws which pertain to behavior on a college campus. The following regulations represent reasonable standards of conduct for students and visitors, and shall be followed at all times on a Shasta College campus. Generally, Shasta College’s jurisdiction and discipline shall be limited to conduct which occurs on Shasta College premises or which is related to school activities.

Rules and Regulations: Any student found to have committed the following misconduct is subject to the disciplinary sanctions outlined in Board Policy and Administrative Procedures 3550 and 5520.

1. Acts of dishonesty, including but not limited to the following:
   a. Cheating, plagiarism, or other forms of academic dishonesty. Academic dishonesty is the willful and intentional fraud and deception for the purpose of improving a grade or obtaining course credit, and includes all student behavior by fraudulent and/or deceptive means. The student has the full responsibility for the content and integrity of all academic work submitted.
   b. Furnishing false information to any Shasta College official, faculty member or office.
   c. Forgery, alteration or misuse of any Shasta College document, record or instrument of identification.
   d. Tampering with the election of any Shasta College-recognized student organization.

2. Disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings, other Shasta College activities including its public-service functions on or off campus, or other authorized non-Shasta College activities when the act occurs on Shasta College premises.

3. Physical abuse, verbal abuse, threats, intimidation, coercion and/or conduct which threatens or endangers the health and safety of any person.

4. Sexual harassment as defined by law or by regulation of the college or the District.

5. Attempted or actual theft of and/or damage to property of Shasta College or property of a member of the Shasta College community or other personal or public property, or knowingly receiving stolen district property or private property on campus.

6. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on race, sex (i.e., gender), religion, age, national origin, disability, or any other status protected by law.

7. Hazing, defined as an act that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student, or which destroys or removes public or private property for the purpose of initiation, admission into, affiliation with or as a condition for continued membership in a group or organization.

8. Failure to comply with direction of Shasta College officials or law enforcement officers acting in the performance of their duties, and/or failure to identify oneself to one of these persons when requested to do so.

9. Unauthorized possession, duplication or use of keys to any Shasta College premises or unauthorized entry to or use of Shasta College premises.

10. Violation of published Shasta College policies, rules or regulations.

11. Violation of federal, state or local law on Shasta College premises or at Shasta College sponsored or supervised activities.

12. Use, possession or distribution of narcotic or other controlled substances except as expressly permitted by law.

13. Public intoxication or use, possession or distribution of alcoholic beverages except as expressly permitted by law and Shasta College regulations.

14. Illegal or unauthorized possession of firearms, explosives, other weapons, or dangerous chemicals including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife, explosive or weapon on Shasta College premises.

15. Participation in a campus demonstration that disrupts the normal operations of Shasta College and infringes on the rights of other members of the Shasta College community; leading or inciting others to disrupt scheduled and/or normal activities within any campus building or area; intentional obstruction that unreasonably interferes with freedom of movement, either pedestrian or vehicular, on campus.
16. Obstruction of the free flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic on Shasta College premises or at Shasta College sponsored or supervised functions. The use of bicycles, roller blades and skateboards is not permitted in heavy traffic areas or in buildings.

17. Conduct that is disorderly, lewd or indecent; habitual profanity or vulgarity; breach of peace; or aiding, abetting or procuring another person to breach the peace on Shasta College premises or at functions sponsored by or participated in by Shasta College.

18. Theft or other abuse of computer time and network resources, including but not limited to:
   a. Unauthorized entry into a file to use, read or change the contents, or for any other purpose.
   b. Unauthorized transfer of a file.
   c. Unauthorized use of another individual’s identification and password.
   d. Unauthorized use of phone and electronic devices such as radios, etc.
   e. Use of computing facilities to interfere with the work of another student, faculty member, or Shasta College official.
   f. Use of computing facilities to send obscene or abusive messages
   g. Use of computing facilities to interfere with normal operations of Shasta College computing systems.

19. Abuse of the judicial system, including but not limited to:
   a. Failure to obey the summons of a Shasta College official.
   b. Falsification, distortion or misrepresentation of information before a hearing officer.
   c. Disruption or interference with the orderly conduct of a judicial proceeding.
   d. Institution of a judicial proceeding knowingly without cause.
   e. Attempting to discourage an individual’s proper participation in, or use of, the judicial system.
   f. Attempting to influence the impartiality of a member of a judicial body prior to and/or during the course of the judicial proceeding.
   g. Failure to comply with the sanction(s) imposed under the Student Code.
   h. Influencing or attempting to influence another person to commit an abuse of the judicial system.

20. Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking is prohibited by lawful authority.

21. Littering of any kind.

22. Misrepresentation of oneself or of an organization to be an agent of Shasta College.

23. Unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any commercial purpose, of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any district policy or administrative procedure.

24. Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct.

Students who engage in any of the above are subject to the procedures outlined in AP 5520.

See Administrative Procedures

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