



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS

1. Principles

This Code of Conduct has been formulated to provide a clear statement of the University's expectations of students in respect of academic matters and personal behaviour.

Study at the University presents opportunities for interacting with other members of the University community. The University recognises and values the diversity of student experiences and expectations, and is committed to treating students, both academically and personally, in a fair and transparent manner. All students, in return, are required to comply with the requirements set down in this Code of Conduct.

The University reaffirms its commitment to:

- high academic standards, intellectual rigour and a high quality education;
- intellectual freedom and social responsibility;
- recognition of the importance of ideas and the pursuit of critical and open inquiry;
- tolerance, honesty and respect as the hallmarks of relationships throughout the University community; and
- high standards of ethical behaviour.

All students are required to be aware of and act consistently with these values.

2. Coverage

This Code of Conduct applies to all students of the University of Sydney, in respect of all actions and activities (including inaction or inactivity) relating to or impacting on the University or its students and employees. It must be read in conjunction with the statutes, rules, and resolutions of the University.

3. Definitions

In this Code of Conduct:

Student means all students of the University of Sydney, including but not limited to fee paying students, HECS students, PELS students, audit students, Centre for Continuing Education students, Centre for English Teaching students, exchange students, Study Abroad students, Summer School students and Winter School students.

Employee means all staff of the University of Sydney, (including full-time, part-time or casual staff).

4. Personal conduct

All students must:

- treat all employees, honorary appointees, consultants, contractors, volunteers any other members of the public and other students with respect, dignity, impartiality, courtesy and sensitivity;
- maintain a cooperative and collaborative approach to inter-personal relationships;
- act honestly and ethically in their dealings with University employees, honorary appointees, consultants, contractors, volunteers, any other members of the public and other students;
- respect the privacy of employees, honorary appointees, consultants, contractors, volunteers any other members of the public and other students;
- ensure that they do not act in a manner that unnecessarily or unreasonably impedes the ability of employees, honorary appointees, consultants, contractors, volunteers any other members of the public and other students to carry out their study, research or work at the University, including in the University of Sydney Library, lecture theatres and laboratories;
- ensure that they do not act in a manner that unnecessarily or unreasonably impedes the ability of employees, honorary appointees, consultants, contractors, volunteers any other members of the public or other students to access or use the resources of the University, including the University of Sydney Library resources, lecture theatres and laboratories; and
- ensure that they do not become involved in or encourage discrimination against or harassment or bullying of employees, honorary appointees, consultants, contractors, volunteers any other members of the public or other students.

5. Academic Conduct

All students must:

- ensure that their enrolment and progress in their award course is lawful and consistent with the statutes, rule and resolutions of the University of Sydney. Students must not enrol in additional units of study outside the degree resolutions even if the student information system allows it when enrolling on-line. It is a student's responsibility to maintain current information in the student information system, and observe key dates and deadlines;
- read all official correspondence from the University, including email;
- act ethically and honestly in the preparation, conduct, submission and publication of academic work, and during all forms of assessment, including formal examinations and informal tests;
- avoid any activity or behaviour that would unfairly advantage or disadvantage another student academically;
- conform to the University's requirements for working with humans, animals and biohazards;

- behave professionally, ethically and respectfully in all dealings with the University's learning partners during extramural placements and practicums; and
- use University resources, including information and communication technology resources, in a lawful and ethical manner and for University purposes only, unless express permission has been granted for non-University or private usage.

6. Authority

This Code of Conduct was approved by the Academic Board pursuant to the University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003 on 2 February 2005. It was updated on 11 February 2015 with administrative amendments only. It was updated in May 2017 with administrative amendments only.

7. Useful References

Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of the policies applying to students at the University. The full set of University policies is available on the Policy Register at <http://sydney.edu.au/policies/>.

PERSONAL CONDUCT

[Alcohol: Policy and Guidelines on Consumption](#)

[University of Sydney \(Campus Access\) Rule 2009](#)

[Equal Opportunity in Education Policy](#)

[Bullying, Harassment and Discrimination Prevention Policy 2015](#)

[Bullying, Harassment and Discrimination Resolution Procedures 2015](#)

[Policy On the Use of University Information and Communications Technology Resources \(ICT Resources\)](#)

[University of Sydney \(Library\) Rule 2011](#)

[Work Health and Safety Policy 2016](#)

[Work Health and Safety Procedures 2016](#)

[Children in University Workplaces and Premises Policy](#)

[University of Sydney \(Student Discipline\) Rule 2016](#)

ACADEMIC CONDUCT

[Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015](#)

[Australian code for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes 8th edition \(2013\).](#)(NHMRC)

[University of Sydney \(Student Appeals Against Academic Decisions\) Rule 2006](#)

[Assessment Procedures 2011](#)

[Coursework Policy 2014](#)

[National Statement of Ethical Conduct in Human Research \(2007\)](#) (NHMRC)

[Learning and Teaching Policy 2015](#)

[Policy On the Use of University Information and Communications Technology Resources \(ICT Resources\)](#)

[University of Sydney \(Coursework\) Rule 2014](#)

[University of Sydney \(Higher Degree by Research\) Rule 2011](#)

[Intellectual Property Policy 2016](#)

[University of Sydney \(Library\) Rule 2011](#)

[Supervision of Higher Degree by Research Students Policy 2013](#)

[Research Code of Conduct 2013](#)

[University of Sydney \(Student Discipline\) Rule 2016](#)

Date determined: 2 February 2005

Date effective: 3 February 2005

Determining Authority: Academic Board

Last amended: 29 February 2012 (Administrative amendments only)
3 December 2013 (Administrative amendments only)
11 February 2015 (Administrative amendments only)
30 October 2015 (Administrative amendments only)
23 February 2016 (Administrative amendments only)
24 August 2016 (Administrative amendments only)
15 May 2017 (Administrative amendments only)