

Pennsylvania College of Technology

Policy Statement

Title: Student Code of Conduct

Number: P 4.43

Approved by:
Presidential Action

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Persons/Departments Affected:

All employees, students, and student groups/organizations.

Responsible Department:

Student Affairs

Definitions:

Student: any person who is taking or auditing classes (including non-credit) at the College or is enrolled in any College program.

Policy:

- I. Pennsylvania College of Technology establishes a Student Code of Conduct to ensure that the College's living and learning community provides a productive environment in which our College community can meet the College's Mission, Vision, and Values. The Code of Conduct was developed to balance the safety and well-being of individual students with the best interests our community as a whole. While the Code of Conduct strives for an educational and developmental process, there are some circumstances where individuals exhibiting serious behavioral issues must removed from our academic community through suspension or expulsion.
- II. Upon admission to Penn College, students make the unqualified commitment to responsible conduct, both on and off campus, which conforms to the generally accepted standards of adult behavior within an academic community. Students are expected to show courtesy and respect for faculty, staff, and fellow students, in all personal contacts. Students must understand and accept the necessity for various College regulations and comply with directions of those individuals authorized to enforce the regulations. Violations of these regulations and/or conduct that are contrary to the best interest of the College community or its individual members will subject the student to action and penalties as the circumstances justify, including suspension or expulsion from the College.
- III. In matters of purely academic concern, the Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost (or designee) assumes jurisdiction. Such issues include, but are not

limited to, academic dishonesty ([P 4.45](#) and [PR 4.45](#)), nepotism ([P 4.46](#)), academic fairness ([P 4.23](#) and [PR 4.23](#)), and attendance ([P 4.26](#) and [PR 4.26](#)).

- IV. In matters related to student behavior, on or off campus, the Dean of Students (or designee) assumes jurisdiction. Specific prohibited conduct, sanctions, and protocol are established in associated procedure, [PR 4.43](#).

Revision History:

- Date: 07/2021 Changed references of academic and student affairs officers to accurately reflect current titles.
Date: 12/2010 Changed references to Academic Dishonesty to reflect new policy and procedure specifically covering that topic.
Date: 06/2009 General revisions throughout.
Date: 12/2008; 02/1998; 06/1992; 06/1989

Cross References:

- Code of Conduct Procedure, [PR 4.43](#)
Academic Dishonesty Policy and Procedure ([P 4.45](#) and [PR 4.45](#))
Academic Fairness Policy and Procedure ([P 4.23](#) and [PR 4.23](#))
Attendance Policy and Procedure ([P 4.26](#) and [PR 4.26](#))
Nepotism Policy, [P 4.46](#)