

## Code of Student Conduct - Misconduct

Student conduct is expected to be in accordance with standards of common decency and decorum, with recognition of and respect for the personal and property rights of others and the educational mission of the College. A student shall be subject to disciplinary action by the College, up to and including permanent expulsion, for misconduct on any property owned or controlled by the College; or off College property at any function that is authorized, sponsored, or conducted by the College; or in parking lots adjacent to areas or buildings where College functions are being conducted. Such misconduct shall include, but is not limited to, the commission of or attempt to commit any of the following acts:

1. Any form of dishonesty, including cheating, knowingly furnishing false information to the members of the College faculty or to any other officer or employee of the College, and alteration or use of College documents or instruments of identification with intent to defraud (Cheating is defined as dishonesty in completing academic assignments, such as having in one's possession materials other than those specifically approved by one's instructor during tests; submission of work that was prepared by someone else to an instructor as one's own work; plagiarism, representation of someone else's writing or ideas as one's own; and assistance in the foregoing practices.)
2. Plagiarism is the act of using the words and/or work of another author and attempting to pass it on as one's own work. An example of plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, a student submitting, under their own name, an essay, report, research paper, or some other assignment that has been written in part or in whole by another person. Plagiarism also occurs when a pattern exists of failing to document and punctuate materials from research sources appropriately (as designated by the instructor and the research style that the instructor requires and publishes to their students) and/or the consistent failure to document accurately and in proper style any material that is not common knowledge, which the student has included in an assignment.
3. Forging, altering, or misusing College documents, records, or identification.
4. Issuing a worthless check made payable to the College or to its Bookstores. A student will be notified by the Business Office when a check for tuition, books, fees, or other charges is returned for insufficient funds. The student will have three (3) working days from the date of notification in which to satisfy that obligation. If the obligation is not satisfied within that time, the student's enrollment will be voided.
5. Failure to properly comply with any reasonable direction given by a College official acting within the capacity and performance of their position.
6. Violation of written College rules, policies, or regulations.
7. Obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, service, disciplinary procedures, or policies and/or procedures of clinical affiliates while at their sites, other College activities, or other activities on College premises.
8. Destruction, damage, or misuse of College, public, or private property. The student is responsible for any damage done to College property.
9. Conduct in violation of federal or state statutes or local ordinances that threatens the health and/or safety of the College community or that could adversely affect the educational environment of the College.
10. Conviction of any misdemeanor or felony that adversely affects the educational environment of the College.
11. Obtaining College services by false pretenses, including, but not limited to, misappropriation or conversion of College funds, supplies, equipment, labor, materials, space, facilities, or services.
12. Hazing is any mental or physical requirement or obligation placed on a person by a member of any organization, or by an individual or group of individuals that could cause discomfort, pain, or injury or that violates any legal statute or College rule, regulation, or policy. Hazing is defined as any intentional, knowing, or reckless act committed by a person (whether individually or in concert with other persons) against another person or persons, regardless of the willingness of such other person or persons to participate. See the College's [\*Hazing Prevention Strategies\*](#) and *Hazing Policy*.
13. Lewd, obscene, licentious, or indecent conduct or verbal or written threat of such action against another person, including sexual misconduct. See *Sexual Misconduct Policy* for specific details.
14. Harassment, intimidation, bribery, physical assault, or any other means, implied or explicit, to influence any member of a judicial body named in the Code, including witnesses, faculty members, staff members, and students, before, during, or after a hearing. Organizations shall be responsible for the actions of their individual members, alumni, advisors, or others in this type of situation.

15. Possession of firearms or weapons (including hunting guns, bows, crossbows, etc.), ammunition, explosives, fireworks, or any other dangerous instruments in any building or classroom, and on any College-owned property in violation of Alabama Law 2013-286.
16. Intoxication from, or the possession and/or consumption of, any alcoholic beverage or non-prescribed controlled substance.
17. Unauthorized manufacture, sale, delivery, or possession of any drug or drug paraphernalia defined as illegal under local, state, or federal law.
18. Theft, accessory to theft, and/or possession, and/or transportation, and/or sale of stolen property.
19. Physical abuse, threat of violence, intimidation, and physical or mental harassment.
20. Trespassing or unauthorized entry.
21. Entering false fire alarms, tampering with fire extinguishers, alarms, or other safety equipment.
22. Publishing, aiding in publishing, circulating, or aiding in the circulation of anonymous publications or petitions of a libelous, slanderous, scurrilous, or unduly offensive nature.
23. Smoking or use of any tobacco product on any College property.
24. Playing a device such as a tape player, radio, or other electronic device in hallways, classrooms, or any other place where such activity would interfere with normal activity of the College.
25. Any form of illegal activity defined by state or federal law or municipal ordinance.
26. Disruptive or disorderly conduct that interferes with the rights and opportunities of those who attend the College to use and enjoy College facilities.
27. Failure to obtain clearance from an instructor to leave a class, lab, clinical, or campus during class and/or clinical hours.
28. Failure to wear appropriate dress for the department in which the student is enrolled. Appropriate dress is defined as shoes, shirt, blouse, pants, dress, or other appropriate items designed for safety purposes.
29. Participation in any form of gambling.
30. Unauthorized possession of a key to any College facility or vehicle.
31. Unauthorized use of the Internet via College facilities is defined as, but is not limited to, accessing unauthorized technology resources, use for unintended purposes, failure to protect the access and integrity of technology resources, disrespecting the privacy of others, and not abiding by applicable laws and College policies. See the [\*Wallace Community College, Student Handbook\*](#) section titled Campus Regulations: Acceptable Use Policy, User Responsibilities, System Administrators' Responsibilities, and Violations for more in-depth details.

If a student violates any of the provisions listed above while engaged as a representative of a student organization, the organization will be subject to having its approval suspended or terminated.