

STUDENTS' RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Student Code of Conduct.

The Student Code of Conduct of Oida Christian University supports the University's mission to provide access to higher education opportunities that enable students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve their professional goals, improve the productivity of their organizations, and provide leadership and service to their religious organizations. Students are expected to conduct themselves ethically, honestly, and with integrity as responsible members of the University's academic community. This requires the demonstration of mutual respect and civility in academic and professional discourse.

A University is a marketplace of ideas and, in the search for truth, it is essential that freedom exists for contrary ideas to be expressed. Accordingly, students are expected to respect the rights and privileges of others and to foster an environment conducive to learning. Students are accountable for their actions and are required to work independently, as well as collaboratively with other students, in achieving learning goals and objectives. By virtue of membership in the University's academic community, students accept an obligation to abide by this Student Code of Conduct.

Conduct, either on or off-campus, that is determined to impair, interfere, or obstruct the opportunities of others to learn or that disrupts the mission, processes, or orderly functions of the University will be deemed misconduct and shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Misconduct for which students are subject to disciplinary action includes, but is not limited to, the following enumerated violations:

- 1. Actions, oral statements, and written statements which threaten or violate the personal safety of any member of the faculty, staff, or other students.
- 2. Harassment, sexual or otherwise, that has the effect of creating a hostile or offensive educational environment for any student, faculty, or staff member.
- 3. Stalking, persistently pursuing another person that has the effect of imposing unwelcomed contact and/or communication.
- **4.** Disruptive behavior that hinders or interferes with the educational process.
- **5.** Violation of any applicable professional codes of ethics or conduct.
- **6.** Failure to promptly comply with any reasonable directive from faculty or University officials.
- **7.** Carrying of weapons on campus, at campus-sanctioned events, or when meeting with campus personnel. (This policy is not applicable to students who are law enforcement officers required by law to carry firearms at all times).
- **8.** As a Christian institution, we do not tolerate the using, dealing in, or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs while in class, at campus-sanctioned events, or when meeting with campus personnel.
- **9.** Failure to maintain confidentiality and respect the privacy of personal or professional information communicated about clients, one's employer, other students or their employers.
- 10. Falsification, alteration or invention of information, including, but not limited to, any third party document used to apply for financial aid.
- 11. Hazing (any action which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any University-sanctioned organization).
- 12. Violation of University regulations and policies (in addition to those regulations and policies covered by items 1-11 above).
- 13. Violation of federal, state, provincial, or local laws or regulations that impacts the University's educational environment.