

WAC 495D-121-330 Student conduct code—Definitions. The following definitions apply for the purposes of this student conduct code:

(1) "Business day" means a weekday, excluding weekends and official college holidays.

(2) "College premises" shall include all campuses of the college, wherever located, and includes all land, buildings, facilities, vehicles, equipment, and other property the college owns, uses, or controls.

(3) "Conduct review officer" means the vice president of student services or other college administrator the president designates to have responsibility to receive and review or refer appeals of student disciplinary actions consistent with the procedures of this code. The president can reassign any and all of the conduct review officer's duties or responsibilities as set forth in this chapter as reasonably necessary.

(4) "Disciplinary action" means the process by which the student conduct officer imposes discipline against a student for violating the student conduct code.

(5) "Disciplinary appeal" means the process by which an aggrieved student can appeal the discipline the student conduct officer imposes. The student conduct committee hears disciplinary appeals for a suspension in excess of ten instructional days or a dismissal. The college will review appeals of all other appealable disciplinary action through brief adjudicative proceedings.

(6) "Filing" means the process by which a document is officially delivered to a college official responsible to facilitate a disciplinary review. Unless otherwise provided, filing shall be accomplished by:

(a) Hand delivery of the document to the specified college official or college official's assistant; or

(b) Sending the document by email and first class mail to the specified college official's office and college email address.

Papers required for filing are considered filed when the specified college official actually receives the papers during office hours.

(7) "President" means the president of the college. The president can delegate any and all of his or her responsibilities as set forth in this chapter as reasonably necessary.

(8) "Respondent" means the student against whom the college initiates disciplinary action.

(9) "Service" means the process by which a document is officially delivered to a party. Unless otherwise provided, service upon a party shall be accomplished by:

(a) Hand delivery of the document to the party; or

(b) Sending the document by email and by certified mail or first class mail to the party's last known address.

Service is deemed complete upon hand delivery of the document or upon the date the document is emailed and deposited in the mail.

(10) "Student" includes all persons who take classes at or through the college, whether on a full-time or part-time basis, and whether such classes are credit courses, noncredit courses, online courses, or otherwise. People who withdraw after allegedly violating the code, are not officially enrolled for a particular term but who have a continuing relationship with the college, or who were notified of their acceptance for admission are considered students.

(11) "Student conduct committee" means a college committee as described in WAC 495D-121-400.

(12) "Student conduct officer" means a college administrator to whom the president or vice president of student services designates responsibility to implement and enforce the student conduct code. The president or vice president can reassign any and all of the student conduct officer's duties or responsibilities as set forth in this chapter as reasonably necessary.

(13) "Title IX coordinator" means a college administrator to whom the president designates responsibility to implement and enforce the guidelines of federal Title IX legislation.

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