

**WAC 495B-121-235 Statement of jurisdiction.** (1) The student conduct code shall apply to conduct by students and student groups that occurs:

(a) On Bellingham Technical College premises and facilities;  
(b) At or in connection with college-sponsored activities; or  
(c) To off-campus conduct that in the judgment of the college, adversely affects the college community or the pursuit of its objectives.

(2) Jurisdiction extends to, but is not limited to, locations in which students or student groups are engaged in official college activities including, but not limited to, foreign or domestic travel, activities funded by the associated students, athletic events, training internships, cooperative and distance education, online education, practicums, supervised work experiences or any other college-sanctioned social or club activities.

(3) Students are responsible for their conduct from notification of admission at the college through the actual receipt of a certificate or degree, even though conduct may occur before classes begin or after classes end, as well as during the academic year and during periods between terms of actual enrollment.

(4) These standards shall apply to a student's conduct even if the student withdraws from college while a disciplinary matter is pending. The college has sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis, to determine whether the student conduct code will be applied to conduct by students or student groups that occurs off campus.

(5) The student conduct officer has sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis, to bring a student conduct proceeding under this code for academic dishonesty. Nothing in this code precludes instructors and/or academic divisions or departments from imposing an academic sanction, up to and including a failing grade in an academic course or dismissal from an academic program, in response to academic dishonesty. Policies and procedures governing the imposition of academic sanctions for academic dishonesty can be found in the college's academic integrity policy, the course syllabus, and any applicable program handbook.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 28B.10 and 34.05 RCW, RCW 28B.50.140(13), and 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f). WSR 22-22-002, § 495B-121-235, filed 10/20/22, effective 11/20/22. Statutory Authority: Chapter 34.05 RCW; and RCW 28B.50.140(13); 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.; RCW 28B.50.130. WSR 21-07-085, amended and recodified as § 495B-121-235, filed 3/18/21, effective 4/18/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.130. WSR 16-08-029, § 495B-121-060, filed 3/30/16, effective 4/30/16.]