



# **Addressing Disruptive Students: Student Code of Conduct**

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# Student Discipline: Addressing Student Conduct Issues

- ▶ The purpose of the student discipline process ensures that violations of the RSCCD Student Code of Conduct are addressed.
- ▶ Provides a student the opportunity to address and respond to the allegations as laid out in the Due Process Procedures.

# Student Code of Conduct

- ▶ <http://www.rscdd.edu/Trustees/Pages/BP-5500.aspx>

# Types of Disciplinary Sanctions

- ▶ Warning
- ▶ Restitution
- ▶ Probation
- ▶ Suspension- more than 10 days requires Judicial/Disciplinary Hearing Board Approval.
- ▶ Expulsion (Requires BOT approval)

# Types of Disciplinary Sanctions

- ▶ Summary Suspension
  - ▶ Issued by Campus Safety
  - ▶ Issued by Faculty
- ▶ Transfer/Administrative Withdrawal from course

# Addressing Disruptive Students

## 1. Faculty resolve issue with student

- ▶ Student receives a verbal warning with clear expectations on classroom rules and behaviors. Be clear with student about your concerns and issues. If necessary, the student can be dismissed from 1-2 sessions. If the student is dismissed from class, please contact the Office of Student Conduct regarding the incident.
- ▶ Document meeting and incident (Maxient).

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## 2. Student referred to Dean/Department Chair

- ▶ Can occur after first meeting with instructor -no change in behavior.
- ▶ Student receives second and final warning before they are referred to Student Conduct.
- ▶ Dean/Chair reiterates classroom expectations and may chose to provide additional information on student support services, or transfer student to another section.
- ▶ Document meeting and incident (Maxient).

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## ▶ Lower Level Violations:

- ▶ Using lap top for non-academic purposes
- ▶ Inappropriate outburst
- ▶ Arguing with peers
- ▶ Constant talking
- ▶ Interrupting instructors lecture
- ▶ Arguing/challenging instructor about course content, grades, teaching style
- ▶ Leaving class early/arriving late
- ▶ Off-task



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## 3. Referral to Student Conduct

- ▶ Complete Student Incident Report- Maxient
- ▶ Provide the Office of Student Conduct with all pertinent information regarding students behavior, including any attempts made to resolve issue.
- ▶ Be specific and concise

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## 4. Contact Campus Safety **(714) 564-6330 or 911**

- ▶ If the behavior is a threat to the instructor, students, or violator, contact police IMMEDIATELY!
- ▶ Campus Safety will respond and make contact with student.
- ▶ Campus Safety will take a report from student, instructor, and witnesses. Report submitted to Student Conduct Office.
- ▶ May serve student with Summary Suspension and refer to our office.

# Disciplinary Process

- ▶ Director of Student Conduct or designee will:
  - ▶ Investigate allegation
  - ▶ Interview faculty/staff/witnesses/police
  - ▶ Interview student and discuss alleged violations
  - ▶ Conduct Officer will determine appropriate sanction (if necessary).

# Mental Health Clearance- AR 5201

A student who is removed from campus as a result of:

1. Inappropriate behavior described in the Student Code of Conduct (BP5201); and/or
2. Determination by a public safety officer that the student poses a threat to himself/herself or the general public,

may be required to provide documentation from a licensed mental health professional stating that the student will no longer engage in the behavior which gave rise to the student's removal from campus and that the student's continued presence on campus is not a threat to himself/herself or others before the student is readmitted to campus.

The mental health professional must be licensed by the State of California and credentialed to render a professional opinion on matters of this nature. Any expenses related to obtaining this mental health clearance shall be the student's responsibility.

# Disciplinary Hearing

- ▶ For students that are to be suspended for more than 10 days from the college.
- ▶ Hearings are conducted by the Disciplinary/Judicial Hearing Board.
- ▶ Board can recommend Suspension (up to two years); Expulsion (goes to Board of Trustees for approval).
  - ▶ Appeals go to Board of Trustees.

# Threat Assessment Team

## **Threat Assessment Team (TAT) AR-3510**

### **Charge:**

- Assess, intervene, and follow policies for individuals whose behaviors may present a threat to the safety of the campus community as appropriate
- Work with law enforcement and mental health agencies to expedite assessment and intervention
- Develop comprehensive fact-based assessments of students

### **Team:**

- Student Affairs (Rosio Becerra, Associate Dean, Student Development)
- Safety & Security (Lt. Scott Baker, Campus Safety)
- Disabled Students Programs and Services (Dr. Veronica Oforlea, Associate Dean, DSPS, Student Health and Psychological Services)
- Psychological Services (Phi Loan Le, Psychologist)

# Resources and Staff

- ▶ Student Conduct Office/Student Life
  - ▶ Office Location: VL-108
  - ▶ Phone: (714) 564-6211
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