Student Conduct Code

The purpose of the Office of Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution is to support community safety, student growth and success by helping students:

• reflect on decisions,
• be accountable for their actions, and
• make decisions in congruence with community standards of conduct.

Clarification of Values

1. Students will have a greater understanding of the impact their decisions have on others.
2. Students will gain an understanding of the institutional values reflected through policies and practices.
3. Students will be able to identify ways in which they can make decisions in congruence with community standards of conduct.
4. Students will gain a better understanding of the importance of personal accountability and responsibility.
5. Students will be able to identify the harms caused by their decisions and determine the best method for repairing those harms.
6. Students will be able to reflect on their choices and develop individual goals for success.
7. Students will have a greater understanding of campus resources.

Authority

Article 7, Part B, of the Laws of the Regents requires each campus to develop a student code of conduct. The Office of Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution (OSCCR) is authorized to establish and administer this policy. Any questions regarding interpretation of this code or any of its provisions should be directed to the Dean of Students or his/her designee for final determination. Questions regarding behavioral problems should be directed to:

Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution
University of Colorado Boulder, 10 UCB
Boulder, CO 80309
Phone: 303-492-5550

Jurisdiction

This policy governs:

• Student conduct that occurs on or as it relates to university property, or at official functions and university-sponsored programs conducted away from the campus. University property is defined as land, buildings and facilities in possession of or owned, used or controlled by the university or funded by university budgets.
• Student conduct that occurs off university property is subject to this policy if it: (1) adversely affects the health, safety or security of any member of the university community or the mission of the university; or (2) involves any records or documents of the university.

For purposes of this policy, the university’s mission is broadly denied to include both its academic goals and the importance of developing civic responsibility in its students.

Student Conduct Process

Informal Resolution

• This process may generally include, but is not limited to, a meeting with a conduct officer, completion of the agreement, and/or participation in the Restorative Justice program as is referenced in H.5.
• During the meeting, if the conduct officer determines that the informal resolution process may be appropriate, the conduct officer will offer it as an option to the student and address any questions the student may have about the process. If the student accepts responsibility for the alleged prohibited conduct and agrees to and completes the agreement developed during the meeting, then the OSC will consider the matter to be resolved informally.

Formal Resolution

• This process generally includes written notice of the factual allegations and alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct, the opportunity to meet with the conduct officer to address the allegations and provide information to the conduct officer, the conduct officer reviewing the allegations and making factual and violation determinations based on the evidence, and written notice to the student of the conduct officer’s determinations.

All students residing in Housing & Dining Services facilities are subject to Residence Hall policies or any policy properly communicated through Housing and Dining Services staff. For more information, visit the Residence Hall Handbook (https://living.colorado.edu/housing/what-you-need-know) webpage.

Proceedings initiated under this policy are separate from civil or criminal proceedings that may relate to the same incident. Investigations or conduct proceedings by the university are not postponed while criminal or civil proceedings are pending, unless otherwise determined by the conduct officer.

The unexcused failure of a student to appear and/or respond to the conduct process does not prevent the university from proceeding with the conduct process.

Cases involving sexual misconduct (including sexual assault, sexual harassment, intimate partner violence and gender/sex-based stalking), protected class discrimination and harassment and any related retaliation are subject to the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance policies. For more information, visit the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (http://www.colorado.edu/institutionalequity) website or call 303-492-2127.

Excerpts from the Colorado Revised Statutes regarding hazing, ethnic intimidation and riots are also presented. Colorado law prohibits persons convicted of rioting from enrolling in state-supported universities/colleges for 12 months following the date of a conviction.

For information about classroom behavior, visit the Policies (https://www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html) webpage.

Colorado Creed

The Colorado Creed, developed by students in 2003, is a social code of conduct and a lifestyle by which students at CU Boulder live. The text of the creed is:
As a member of the Boulder community and the University of Colorado, I agree to:

• Act with honor, integrity and accountability in my interactions with students, faculty, staff and neighbors.

• Respect the rights of others and accept our differences.

• Contribute to the greater good of this community.

I will strive to uphold these principles in all aspects of my collegiate experience and beyond.

For more information, visit the Colorado Creed (http://www.colorado.edu/creed) website.