**3356-8-01 Authority to establish and enforce a student code of conduct.**

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Responsible Division/Office: Student Experience

Responsible Officer: Associate Vice President for Student Experience

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(A) Policy statement. The board of trustees delegates its authority and responsibility for student conduct to the president. Youngstown state university is committed to an educational environment which encourages the safety, fair treatment, and intellectual and social development of all students. On behalf of the president, the associate vice president for student experience establishes and enforces regulations regarding student conduct.

(B) Definition. “The Student Code of Conduct:  A Handbook of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct” (“The Student Code of Conduct”) is the official university document outlining student rights, responsibilities, and conduct; regulations regarding academic dishonesty, campus student organizations and student media organizations; due process, disciplinary and academic grievance procedures; and procedures regarding student complaints of discrimination, harassment and sexual assault.  The intent of “The Student Code of Conduct” is to inform the university community of these rights, responsibilities, and expectations.

(C) Parameter. The associate vice president for student experience is responsible for enforcing all procedures and regulations pertaining to student rights, responsibilities, and conduct as outlined in “The Student Code of Conduct,” with the exception of academic grievances. Academic grievance procedures are the responsibility of the office of the provost/vice president for academic affairs.

(D) Procedures.

1. “The Student Code of Conduct” is distributed to new students during orientation and is available in the offices of the associate vice president for student experience and on the Youngstown state university website at: <http://cms.ysu.edu/administrative-offices/student-conduct/welcome-student-conduct>.

(2) Individual students and student organizations are expected to be familiar with and follow the regulations outlined in “The Student Code of Conduct” and will be subject to disciplinary action if one or more of the regulations are violated.

(3) Complaints of student misconduct may be filed at the office of the associate director of student conduct. Complaints of academic dishonesty and academic grievances may be filed in the office of the provost and vice president for academic affairs.

(4) “The Student Code of Conduct” is reviewed periodically and distributed widely among the campus community at least every five years. Any member of the university community may recommend a change in “The “Student Code of Conduct” through the associate vice president for student experience.