

Standards of Student Conduct

Citrus College is dedicated to its mission of preparing our students for productive and rewarding lives. An important part of fulfilling the college's mission is providing a college environment that is respectful, inclusive, and collegial. To achieve this, the college offers a student discipline process that promotes student accountability and social responsibility, as well as maintains a college environment that is free from intimidation, threats, coercion, or violence. Student discipline facilitates the educational mission of the College.

However, when the college's values are compromised the superintendent/president can implement student discipline procedures in accordance with local, state and federal laws. These procedures clearly define the conduct that is subject to discipline and identify potential disciplinary actions. The board of trustees considers any recommendation for a student's expulsion received from the superintendent/president.

The following infractions are considered good cause for discipline at Citrus College and are based on local, state and federal law, as well as Citrus Community College District board policy 5500 and administrative procedure 5520. The term District refers to the Citrus Community College District.

1. Causing, attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to another person.
2. Possessing, selling or furnishing any firearms, knives, explosives, or other dangerous objects. This also applies to copies or models of these items. The exception occurs when the student has obtained prior written permission from a Citrus College employee to possess the items mentioned above. The superintendent/president must approve the request.
3. Unlawfully possessing, using, selling, offering to sell, furnishing, or being under the influence of, any controlled substance, such as alcoholic beverages or intoxicants of any kind and unlawfully possessing, offering, arranging, or negotiating the sale of any drug paraphernalia;
4. Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion;
5. Causing or attempting to cause damage to District property or to private property on campus;
6. Stealing or attempting to steal District property or private property on campus, or knowingly receiving stolen District property or private property on campus;
7. Willfully or persistently smoking in any area where smoking is prohibited by law or by college or district regulation;
8. Committing unlawful sexual harassment;
9. Engaging in unlawful harassing or discriminatory behavior based on race, gender, religion, age, national origin, disability, or any other protected characteristic or classification, defined by law;
10. Willful misconduct resulting in injury or death to a student or to District personnel and/or willful misconduct resulting in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or personal property owned by the District or on the Citrus College campus;
11. Disruptive behavior, willful disobedience, open and persistent defiance, or persistence abuse of District personnel;
12. Cheating, plagiarizing (including plagiarism in student publications), or engaging in other forms of academic dishonesty;
13. Committing dishonesty, forgery, alteration or misuse of District documents, records or identification; or knowingly furnishing false information to the District;
14. Unauthorized entry upon or use of District facilities;
15. Committing lewd, indecent or obscene conduct on District-owned or controlled property, or at District-sponsored or supervised functions;
16. Engaging in obscene, libelous, or slanderous expressions, or expressions that incite students to behave in a manner that creates a clear and present danger to students and staff, or incite the commission of unlawful acts on District premises;
17. Violating district administrative procedures or the substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the District business or academic activities;
18. Engaging in persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct;
19. Unauthorized preparing, giving, selling, transferring, distributing, or publishing any existing and current recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, for any commercial purpose. This also includes, but is not limited to, handwritten or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any Board Policy or Administrative Procedure.
20. Violating college rules or regulations including campus policies concerning student organizations, the use of college facilities, or the time, place and manner of public expression;
21. Persistent violation of classroom standards of conduct as established by the instructor;
22. Any actions not listed above that are identified as "good cause" by the Education Code.

For detailed information regarding student discipline, visit www.citruscollege.edu and click Student Life, Student Discipline and Conduct.