Student Rights, Responsibilities & Safety

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Topics of Discussion

- Academic Misconduct
- Honor Code
- Student Conduct
- Drugs
- Weapons
- Discrimination & Harassment
- Victim Assistance
- Students of Concern
- Resources
- Social Media
- Safety
What is Academic Misconduct?

- Cheating**
- Plagiarism**
- Fabrication
- Resubmission
- Facilitating Academic Dishonesty
Internet plagiarism is a growing concern on all campuses as students struggle to understand what constitutes acceptable use of the Internet.

In the past it was the struggling student who was more likely to cheat, today it is also the above-average students who are also cheating.

Grades, rather than education, have become the major focus for many students.

73% of all test takers agree that most students do cheat at some point, 86% of high school students agreed.

sources: nocheating.org and the International Center for Academic Integrity
CU Boulder Honor Code:

“On my honor, as a University of Colorado at Boulder student, I have neither given nor received unauthorized assistance”
Honor Code Sanctions

- Honor Code Probation
- Ethics Seminar
- Writing Seminar
- Community Service
- Reflection paper
- Suspension
- Expulsion
The purpose of the Office of Student Conduct is to maintain the general welfare of the university community.

- Educational; student growth & development
- Balance the needs of the student, university, community
- Safety
All students are held to the standards outlined in the Student Conduct Code

- Behavior both on- and off- campus
- Common referral sources include:
  - CUPD
  - Boulder Police Department
  - Other institutions
  - Students, staff, faculty
The Student Conduct process is administrative and completely separate from civil or criminal court processes. It also falls under the Family Education Rights and Privacy (FERPA) regulations which makes it possible for our process to be confidential.

Exceptions to Confidentiality:

- Parent/Guardian notification
- Police notification or Office of Discrimination & Harassment reporting
- Academic or background check disclosure
Common Violations

- Alcohol
  - Enforced on & off campus
- Marijuana & other drugs
  - Drug free act
- Theft
- Trespassing
- Brawling
Marijuana

• Amendment 64 legalized marijuana in Colorado for general consumption in January 2013.

• On Campus
  ▪ Drug Free Campus

• City of Boulder and Surrounding Area
  ▪ 21 and older
  ▪ Not in public
  ▪ Amount of possession
  ▪ Not legal in other states

**Edibles are held to the same rules**
Did you know...

• Possession of even 1 pill of Adderall, Dexedrine, or Ritalin which has not been prescribed to a student is a FELONY in Colorado?

• Giving away a pill of Adderall, Dexedrine, or Ritalin to a friend is considered a FELONY distribution of a controlled substance?

• Violations of the CU drug policy can result in suspension, expulsion, and loss of financial aid—even for first time offenses.

A “Study Aid” just isn’t worth it...
Two University of Colorado students have been arrested and charged with selling Adderall.

Christopher Valentine and Graham Hankin sold the prescription pills to acquaintances on campus. Valentine charged $4 per pill and Hankin charged $5 per pill. Both are facing felony criminal charges.

*CBSDENVER: http://denver.cbslocal.com/2014/05/01/cu-cracks-down-on-adderall-used-during-finals/
Weapons

Weapons are NOT allowed on campus!

- Firearms, knives, martial arts equipment, and explosives are prohibited.
- Any item used to incite fear or injury will be considered a weapon.
- Conceal Carry
Threats are taken very seriously at CU Boulder and the university may take action very quickly as a result of direct threats.

SAFETY IS OUR FIRST PRIORITY
The Student Conduct Code prohibits discrimination and harassment based on membership in a protected class.
Protected Classes

- Race
- Color
- National origin
- Sex
- Pregnancy
- Age
- Political Affiliation
- Disability
- Creed
- Religion
- Sexual orientation
- Gender identity
- Gender expression
- Political Philosophy
- Veteran status
Discrimination and Harassment

- **Discrimination** is conduct that deprives an individual of a benefit of employment or educational opportunity based on membership of a protected class.

- **Harassment** is unwanted verbal or physical behavior.
  - Conduct that interferes with an individual’s work, academic performance, or participation in university programs or activities is considered harassment.
Most Common Forms of Harassment

- Physically
- Verbally
- Electronically
- Psychologically
Discrimination and Harassment

CU campus has policies in place that prohibits these offenses

Intimate partner abuse
- Any act of violence or threatened act of violence against a person with whom the individual is or has been involved in a sexual or dating relationship.
  - Domestic violence and dating violence are covered under this provision.

Stalking
- Repeated conduct which causes another person to fear for one’s own safety or the safety or repeated conduct which causes a person to alter activities in response to the repeated conduct.

Sexual Assault
- Non-consensual sexual intercourse, sexual contact, and sexual exploitation.
Procedures & Process

• Prompt, equitable and impartial procedures for addressing

• Trained investigators using a Civil Rights Model of investigation

• Both parties have equitable rights and opportunities including having an advisor of their choosing
Procedures & Process

- Process that respects the privacy and unique needs of its students
- Works to support students by connecting them to resources, including confidential support services
Impact

• Emotional
  ▪ Creates anxiety, fear, insecurities, self-consciousness, guilt, and feelings of isolation

• Physical
  ▪ Causes headaches, sleeplessness, weight loss or gain, phobias, and panic attacks

• Social
  ▪ Causes individuals to withdraw, lack of trust, negative attitudes, and fear of new people or new situations

• Academic
  ▪ Affects study habits, class attendance, grades, and participation in class
Consent

- Consent must be active, silence by itself cannot be interpreted as consent.

- Consent for sexual activity is clear, knowing, voluntary, mutually understandable words which indicate a willingness to participate in mutually agreeable sexual activity.

- Consent is not effectively given if it results from the use of actual or implied physical force, threats, intimidation, or coercion.

- If a person cannot fully understand what is happening due to drugs/alcohol, they cannot effectively consent to sex.
OVA provides free, confidential information, counseling, advocacy, and support to all University of Colorado-Boulder students, faculty, staff, and their partners who experience traumatic, disturbing, or disruptive life events.
If your student experiences . . .

• Physical Assault
• Sexual Assault
• Crime
• Hazing
• Death of a loved one
• Sexual harassment
• Natural/man-made disasters

• Bias motivated incident
• Discrimination
• Harassment
• Intimate partner abuse
• Stalking
• Serious accident
• Other . . .

OVA is here to help!
Contacting the Office of Victim Assistance

• You can call 303-492-8855
  ▪ Has after hours coverage/support
• You can check our website:
  ▪ http://cuvictimassistance.com
• We are located on the 4th floor of the C4C building in suite S440

People do not have to identify with the word “victim” to receive our services.
Anyone can report incidents confidentially online (without any further action) at:

www.colorado.edu/confidentialreporting

Completing the online report will not initiate any criminal or university judicial action.
Other Confidential Campus Resources

- Counseling and Psychological Services
- Wardenburg - Psychological Health & Psychiatry
- Ombuds Office

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The purpose of this team is to provide a confidential means for early intervention of at-risk students through collaboration with campus departments, services, faculty and staff.
Examples of Concerning Behaviors

- Unusual or abrupt changes in behaviors or patterns
- Resistance to change or reasonable limits
- Extreme reaction to a loss or traumatic event
- Displays paranoia or distrust
- Online postings to social media sites that indicate a threat to self or others
- Preoccupation with weapons, violent events or persons who have engaged in violent acts
- Uncharacteristically decreased performance in work or academics
- References to harming others or planning a violent or destructive event
- Evidence of depression, hopelessness, or suicidal thoughts/plans
- Inappropriate responses such as prolonged irritability, angry outburst, or intense reactions
- Perceived rejection or injustice

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Potential Action

- Contact the student informally inquire as to the student's well-being
- Consult with faculty and staff familiar with the student
- Meet with the student(s) involved to discuss:
  - Student needs, campus services, university expectations
- Recommend a UCPD welfare check or police response
- Notify the parents, guardians, or emergency contact
- Refer the student to the Office of Student Conduct
- Refer allegations of harassment and/or discrimination
- Refer allegations of criminal behavior to police department
Referring Students of Concern

- Parents, campus staff, faculty and students may refer a student to SOCT by submitting a report through our online form that goes directly to the Case Manager, via phone, or by email.
  - Case Manager Direct Line: 303.492.7348
  - Dean of Students Office: 303.492.8476
  - Email: SOCT@colorado.edu

In cases of emergency, reporters must contact 911

The Case Manager and SOCT play a secondary role in emergency situations and should be contacted only after making contact with emergency response personnel.
Social Media

Student Safety & Reputation
I’m Shmacked Boulder:
http://Youtube/41OgLRnRw8
Unofficial social media/Anonymous Apps

- Channels get a lot of attentions & are not reflective of behaviors by most students
- Cyberbullying

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Official campus messaging and safety resources via social media and student email newsletter (CU-Boulder Today)

@CUBoulder

@CUBoulderDOS

colorado.edu/today
The University of Colorado Police Department (CUPD) is a full-service police agency.
CUPD has jurisdiction on- and off-campus in the city of Boulder

Provide services 24 hours a day, all year

Online crime reporting

- CUPD has a time-saving crime reporting option. Bike/computer thefts and other crimes that are not in progress can be reported at the CUPD website – http://police.colorado.edu/crimereporting
Crime Statistics & Timely Warnings

  - View the report at [http://www.colorado.edu/clery](http://www.colorado.edu/clery)

- **UCPD is responsible for developing & disseminating “timely warning” notices to members of the campus community**

- **CU Alert System:** [alerts.colorado.edu](http://alerts.colorado.edu)
Campus Safety Programs

- **Emergency Telephones**
- **Bike Registration (Mandatory, No fee)**
  - CU Bike Station (East of the UMC & West of Engineering Center)
- **Free Laptop Registration**
  - Telecom Building (1045 18th Street)
- **Emergency Campus Alerts (SMS)**
  - Alerts.colorado.edu
- **Free Transportation Options**
  - CU NightRide (303) 492-SAFE
  - CU BUFF Bus
  - Regional Transportation District (RTD) Bus System
Contacting University Police

For non-emergency issues such as reporting a crime, inquires about regulations, and general questions parents should use the non-emergency number

- **Non-Emergency Phone:** 303.492.6666
- **Twitter:** @CUBoulderPolice and fb.com/CUBoulderPolice
- **http://police.colorado.edu**
Questions??

- Counseling & Psychological Services: 303.492.6766
- Office of Victim Assistance: 303.492.8855
- Wardenburg – Psychological Health: 303.492.5654
- University of Colorado Police: 303.492.6666
- Office of Student Conduct: 303.492.5550
- Students of Concern: 303.492.7348
Questions

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