



# Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science

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## Student Responsibility

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**Issuing Officer:** Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs/Provost

**Responsible Office:** Division of Student Affairs

**Effective Date:** June 4, 2019

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**Supersedes (If necessary):** Former catalog and student handbook advisories.

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### PURPOSE:

Students at the University have the same rights and protections under the Constitutions of the United States and the State of California as other citizens. These rights include freedom of expression, press, religion and assembly. As members of the University community, students have the right to express their own views, but must also take responsibility for affording the same right to others.

### POLICY:

Students have the right to be protected from capricious decision-making by the University and to have access to University policies which affect them. The University has an enduring commitment to provide students with a balanced and fair system of dispute resolution. Accordingly, this Statement will not deprive students of the appropriate due process protections to which they are entitled. This statement is one of the University's administrative procedures and should not be equated with procedures used in civil or criminal court. Along with rights come certain responsibilities. Students at Charles R. Drew University are expected to act consistently with the values of the University community and to obey local, state, and federal laws.

### BACKGROUND:

Students have the right to be treated fairly and with dignity regardless of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, height, weight, or veteran status, as stated in CDU's Non-Discrimination Policy. The University has a standing tradition of commitment to pluralistic education. Accordingly, the University, through this statement, will not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of protected group status.

**APPLICABILITY:**

This policy is applicable to enrolled students in an academic degree program that leads to undergraduate or graduate degree and/or a post-baccalaureate certificate.

**ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Students admitted into Charles R. Drew University assume an obligation to behave in a manner compatible and consistent with the function of the University as an educational institution. The following sections outline the University's expectations relating to student responsibility and performance, which should be taken to include academic integrity as well as professional and ethical behavior.

- Students must uphold the University and/or college/school rules and regulations regarding examination behavior, fabrication of information, plagiarism, and other types of academic dishonesty as described above.
- Students must refrain from obstructing or disrupting teaching, administration, or other University activities, including the work of the University's public service functions.
- Students must work with the institution in discouraging negative behavior among peers by informing classmates of appropriate conduct and behavior.
- Students must conduct themselves with the professionalism expected of clinicians dealing with patients, families, colleagues, other health care workers, and the public.
- Students must respect patient confidentiality and adhere to the standards of record keeping.

**COMPLIANCE:**

Failure of responsible employees to comply with the reporting obligations under this policy may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination. Students in violation of this policy are subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the University.

**APPROVING AUTHORITY:**

President and Board of Trustees

**DEFINITIONS:**

**Enrolled students:** individuals who have been accepted for admission and matriculated into in an undergraduate or graduate degree or certificate program at CDU, and individuals enrolled otherwise as a non-matriculated student in a credit-generating course.

**PROCEDURES:**

The Division of Student Affairs staff will provide students with a copy of the CDU Student Responsibility Policy during the fall and spring orientations. The Division of Student Affairs will keep an acknowledgement receipt of policy as is currently the case with Policy 402 - Student Code of Conduct.

**RELATED POLICIES:**

402 – Student Code of Conduct