

OFFICE OF STUDENT RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

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Our Purpose



PREVENT

OSRR will educate students about professional and community standards through the Academic Honesty Policy and Code of Student Conduct. In collaboration with campus partners, prevention & information campaigns will be used to raise awareness, promote integrity and reduce misconduct.



RESPOND

OSRR will respond to alleged violations of the Code of Student Conduct including classroom disruption and academic misconduct.

Balancing community concerns and student due process rights we will provide appropriate interim measures, resource referrals, and incident resolution.



RESTORE

OSRR will facilitate processes that restore agency, mitigate harm, and rebuild trust in the campus community through implementation of the student conduct process, conflict mediation and resolution services, and use of restorative practices aimed at building resilience and community healing.



TRANSFORM

OSRR will implement innovative student-centered services creating transformational learning and skill development opportunities in the areas of communication, conflict resolution, mediation, and community restoration, increasing student confidence, competence, and student success.

Why are student rights and responsibilities important?

Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities





KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

As a student, you have rights and understanding these rights are key to not only your success now, but also your success in the future.

Examples of Student Rights:

- Students subject to disciplinary suspension or dismissal from the University are entitled to a formal hearing. (UCM Code of Student Conduct)
- Protected from disclosure, confidential OSRR student records are protected under the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- Right to Free Speech: Freedom of Speech is guaranteed under both the U.S. and California Constitutions. Speech generally is fully protected unless it is accompanied by, or incites, illegal activity. (UCM Office of Legal Affairs)

RESOURCES

OSRR exists to provide students with guidance, opportunities, and assistance.

- Resources and workshops are available on academic integrity, hazing prevention, speech & advocacy, good neighbor relations, personal integrity, student rights and responsibilities, student conduct, conflict resolution, and restorative justice.
- Providing assistance and guidance to students when reporting any type of misconduct, while keeping information confidential to the extent possible.



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CONFIDENTIALITY

Student conduct records are confidential, but can impact acceptance into programs such as Study Abroad, or UCDC; Graduate School Applications; and on-campus opportunities.





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INTEGRITY

Noun

"The quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; moral uprightness." (Oxford Languages)
We are here to assist you in developing your personal compass and making good decisions.



Programs

Ignite Integrity

Provide opportunities for students to develop one's personal, academic, civic/environmental, and professional integrity.

Offer opportunities for faculty to discuss Academic Integrity and learn best practices for Integrity in the classroom.

Know the Code Capaign

Informing our students of their responsibilities is key to not only success here at UC Merced but in the long term future.

Educate students on policies outlined in UC Merced's Code of Student Conduct.

Workshops

Our office provides several workshops on topics such as:

Decision Making, Academic Integrity, Being A Good Neighbor

Hazing Prevention, and Best Practices for Group Work. We are
always working to bring more programs to students.

Please let us know if there's a program you'd like to see us offer.

Contact Us!

We want to hear from you!

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