

Preventing Classroom *Disruption*

It is your RESPONSIBILITY!

Examples of Classroom Disruption

- Answering cell phones and having pagers beep.
- Interrupting lectures and talking without being called on.
- Leaving and entering the classroom without permission. (Reporting to class late)
- Threatening or verbally insulting the professor or other students.
- Borrowing text books or other class materials while class is in session.
- Basically just being loud and distracting.

What Can You Do to Prevent Disruption?

- Remember that your professor has the right to determine what behavior is reasonable in his or her classroom.
- Respect your professor and fellow students.
- Pay attention to your professor; he or she has probably already told you what is expected of you.
- Turn off your cell phones and pagers (or at least set them to silent mode or vibrate). You can check calls and messages between classes.
- Take bathroom and water breaks between classes.
- Report to class in a timely manner. (come on you have 10 minutes between classes; you can do it!)

What Can Your Professor Do if You are Disruptive?

- Require a meeting after class to discuss your disruptive behavior.
- Give you a verbal or written warning and forward it to the Department Chair, Division Dean, and the Office of Student Life and Judicial Affairs.
- Contact Campus Police and submit a report to the Office of Student Life and Judicial Affairs if you are physically or verbally abusive.

What Happens if You are Referred to the Office of Student Life and Judicial Affairs?

If the Office of Student Life and Judicial Affairs receives a report of misconduct, you will be asked to meet with the Assistant Dean of Student Life for a Resolution Conference. If the Complaint cannot be resolved through the Resolution Conference process, the case will be referred to the campus Judicial Committee. If the Judicial Committee finds that the allegations have merit, it can impose sanctions ranging from Probation to Expulsion from the college without privilege of re-admission.

Disruptive and disorderly conduct is a violation of the Student Judicial Code.

This brochure has been designed by the Office of Student Life and Judicial Affairs to help you become more aware of, and avoid classroom disruptions.

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What you can do to help

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