

SECTION I. Expectations for Personal Behavior

A. Personal Integrity and Self-respect

The College expects that integrity and self-respect will be demonstrated by one's own commitment to responsible personal behavior and by a willingness to offer assistance to others whose behavior appears harmful to themselves or to the community.

For its part, the College will provide education about responsible personal behavior and community standards, will offer counseling, will support federal, state, and local laws and ordinances, and will foster an environment which will support students in their efforts to make and abide by responsible decisions.

B. Respect for the Rights and Concerns of Others

The College expects that in all relationships with each other, students will be guided by a mutual concern for each other's feelings, integrity and need to live in an environment conducive to academic achievement. The College believes that such concern requires sensitivity and a sense of responsibility in all relationships within the community.

For its part, the College undertakes to provide educational programs, guidance and counseling in those areas involving personal relationships and to create and support a residential environment which in its diversity will complement and enhance the academic and social purposes of the College.

C. Respect for the Functioning and Property of the College

It is assumed that the conduct of all students will be consistent with the educational purposes of the institution and in no way will interfere with the functioning of the College as it seeks to fulfill that purpose. Likewise, individual and group behavior which inhibits members of the community — students, faculty and administrators — from carrying out their respective educational tasks and duties is unacceptable.

The College also expects that students will regard the property of the College as an asset in which they have a vested interest and that any differences of opinion among various elements of the community will be dealt with through recognized channels and not become a matter of threat to or actual abuse of College property or in any other way interfere with its normal functioning. For its part, the College, within the means at its command, will continue to maintain and improve College property for the convenience of those who use it; will keep open all channels of communication among various members of the community, and will deal with problems with all practical expediency.

D. Off Campus Conduct

The College values its relationship with the community beyond the campus. It is expected that the conduct of all College of Wooster students, whether residing off-campus or visiting in the surrounding communities, will be consistent with the educational purposes of the institution and in no way will interfere with the functioning of the community. It is expected that students will be guided by a mutual concern for neighbors' feelings, integrity, property, and need to live in an environment conducive to the fulfillment of their individual lifestyles.

For its part, the College will provide educational programs, guidance, and counseling regarding off-campus living and acceptable off-campus citizenship. The College may discipline a student or groups of students for acts of inappropriate personal or group behavior regardless of whether such acts are committed on campus property. Such acts include, but are not limited to the following: assault; battery; drug use, possession, or sale; illegal alcohol use, possession, or open container; hazing; sexual misconduct; noise violations; loud parties; vandalism; littering; loitering; public urination; and trespassing. Anyone wishing to initiate a written complaint against a College of Wooster student may contact the Office of the Dean of Students. The Office of the Dean of Students reserves the right to determine the most appropriate manner in which to handle each individual complaint.