

Dear students:

Welcome to the Southern Methodist University (SMU) Community! Whether you are entering for your rst semester or returning to continue your studies, we are glad you are here. If you are a new student, we hope you will quickly nd new friends and new opportunities for personal and intellectual growth. If you are a returning student, we are happy to welcome you back to SMU!

e SMU Student Handbook is your guide to information and services available through your a liation with SMU. It includes information related to your rights and responsibilities as members of the SMU community, both on and o campus. e Handbook includes the Student Code of Conduct, the University Conduct Review Process, Honor Code, and information/expectations that SMU needs to communicate to its students. e most up-to-date version of this handbook can viewed online at <u>https://smu.edu/studenthandbook</u> at any time.

You will be held accountable for adhering to the policies and procedures outlined in this Handbook, both on and o campus. Please become familiar with this information.

Again, we are pleased that you are a part of the SMU community. We believe SMU o ers much to its students, and we hope that you will take full advantage of all SMU has to o er you. We also look forward to what you will contribute to our community.

Sincerely,

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SCHOOLS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Cox School of Business

Dean: Matthew B. Myers 200 Fincher Building (214) 768-3012 https://www.smu.edu/Cox

Dedman College of Humanities & Sciences

Dean: omas DiPiero 201 Dallas Hall (214) 768-3212 https://www.smu.edu/Dedman

Dedman School of Law

Dean: Jennifer M. Collins Dean's Suite, Storey Hall (214) 768-2621 https://www.smu.edu/Law

Lyle School of Engineering

Dean: Marc P. Christensen 105 Embrey Engineering Building (214) 768-3050 <u>https://www.smu.edu/Lyle</u>

Meadows School of the Arts

Dean: Samuel Holland 3rd Floor, Greer Garson eatre

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

e SMU Libraries o er access to several million books and hundreds of online research databases. SMU faculty, students and sta can access these resources both on- and o -campus.

ere are a variety of study spaces in the six libraries ranging from quiet space to collaborative study areas.

For further information, please visit the SMU libraries website at <u>https://www.smu.</u> edu/libraries.

Library Administration

Dean: Holly Je coat <u>https://www.smu.edu/libraries</u> Phone: (214) 768-2401

Bridwell Library (Perkins School)

Director: Anthony Elia <u>https://www.smu.edu/bridwell</u> Phone: (214) 768-1866

Business Library (Cox School)

Director: Sandy Miller <u>https://www.smu.edu/libraries/business</u> Phone: (214) 768-4107

DeGolyer Library (Special Collections)

Assistant Dean for Collections & Director: Russell L. Martin III

https://www.smu.edu/libraries/degolyer/ Phone: (214) 768-3637

University Archives

Archivist: Joan Gosnell <u>https://www.smu.edu/libraries/degolyer/archives</u> Phone: (214) 768-2261

Fondren Library (Main Library)

Director & Head of Research Services: Elizabeth Killingsworth <u>https://www.smu.edu/libraries/fondren/</u> Phone: (214) 768-2329

Hamon Arts Library (Meadows School)

Director: Jolene de Verges <u>https://www.smu.edu/libraries/hamon/</u> Phone: (214) 768-3813

Underwood Law Library (Dedman Law)

Associate Dean & Director: Gregory Ivy https://www.smu.edu/law/library/ Phone: (214) 768-3383

Ft. Burgwin Library (SMU-in-Taos)

<u>https://www.smu.edu/libraries/burgwin</u> Phone: (575) 737-0163



ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

University Advising Center

Director: Ellen Richmond erichmond@smu.edu 408M Blanton 8-2116 Administrative Assistant: Melissa Dale mdale@smu.edu 408 Blanton 8-2291 https://www.smu.edu/Dedman/StudentResources/UniversityAdvisingCenter

Academic advisors assist students in planning course schedules, and in focusing on longrange planning and curricular design to help achieve multiple goals. Students may arrange individual advising appointments and advisors welcome drop-in visits.

Academic Advisors

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Lyle School of Engineering			

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Director:

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Student Academic Success Programs (SASP)

https://www.smu.edu/sasp/

Executive Director: Sue Bierman, PhD. Ph. (214) 768-1047

e Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center (A-LEC) and e Academic Center for Excellence (ACE)

A-LEC

202 Loyd Center

Director: Adreana Julander Ph. (214) 768-1044 Student Appointments: (214) 768-3648 Business O ce: (214) 768-6725

e Student Academic Sucess Programs area o ers many di erent opportunities for students to maximize their learning e ectiveness. Students may register for HDEV 1110: Reading and Learning Strategies, a class devoted to developing students' reading rate, comprehension, and learning strategies. e A-LEC and ACE provide free drop-in workshops to allow students to improve their study skills and tutoring is provided by SMU undergraduate and graduate students for most rst- and second-year courses. For students who want help with a problem in studying a particular text or preparing for a test, Learning Specialists o er individual appointments.

Writing Center	202 Loyd Center	
https://www.smu.edu/WritingCenter		
Director: Lydia Allen	Ph. (214) 768-1006	

e Writing Center, sta ed by English department faculty, provides students with assistance in the process of developing and drafting papers for SMU courses. e Writing Center faculty will not edit or proofread work, but they will answer any speci c questions the student may have about his or her draft. Appointments are necessary in order to reserve a half-hour tutorial and can be made through Canvas. Drop-in lab assistance is also available.

Disability Accommodations & Success Strategies (DASS)

https://www.smu.edu/alec/dass	202 Loyd Center	Ph. (214) 768-1470
Director: Alexa Taylor	Ph: (214) 768-1918	
Disability Accommodations Co	ordinators:	
	Michelle Bufkin	Ph: (214) 768-1232
	Tomasine Sam	Ph: (214) 768-2075
	Karen Turbeville	Ph: (214) 768-4557
Learning Disabilities Specialist:	David Tylicki	Ph: (214) 768-4773
Administrative Coordinator:	Candy Brown	Ph. (214) 768-1470

DASS is the primary contact for all SMU students with disabilities. is o ce assists students with disabilities to e ectively utilize resources they may need and helps them work with professors and sta in obtaining appropriate and reasonable accommodations.

Student Persistence and Achievement (SPA)

<u>https://www.smu.edu/spa/</u>	Armstrong Commons	Ph. (214) 768-4032
Director: Matt Robinson		Ph: (214) 768-4009

Recognizing that everyone comes to college with di erent educational experiences, the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) sponsor programs focused on those who identify as

rst-generation college students, may need assistance in adjusting to an urban city, or seek assistance in fully utilizing campus resources, be they academic, nancial, or social. ACE is also the home of SMU's Rotunda Scholars program.

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UNIVERSITY SERVICES

<i>SMU Bookstore</i> Manager: Mary Mebus	
3060 Mockingbird Lane <u>https://smu.bncollege.com</u>	Ph: (214) 768-2435
Dining Services Senior Director: Todd Robison	Db. (214) 769 4251
Registered Dietician: Rachel Kolm	Ph: (214) 768-4351 Ph. (214) 768-4349
Umphrey Lee Building, Rm 101 https://smu.campusdish.com	Ph: (214) 768-1494
<i>Financial Aid</i> Director: Marc Peterson	
Blanton Student Services Bldg, 1st Floor	
https://www.smu.edu/ nancialaid/	Ph: (214) 768-3417
Mail & Copy Central Director: Patrick Cullen	
6210 N. Central Expressway	\mathbf{D} (014) 700 0400
https://images.smu.edu	Ph: (214) 768-3400
Parking & ID Card Services Director: Mark Rhodes	
Hughes-Trigg Student Center- 2nd Floor	Parking: (214) 768-7275
https://www.smu.edu/parkingid	ID Cards: (214) 768-7669
Postal Center	
Manager: Marcus Smith Hughes-Trigg Student Center - 2nd Floor	
https://images.smu.edu/?page=postal	Ph: (214) 768-4450
SMU Police Department	
Chief: Jim Walters Patterson Hall, 2nd Floor	EMERGENCY: Call 911
https://www.smu.edu/pd/	Dispatch: (214) 768-3388
	(Non-Emergencies)
Student Employment	
Coordinator: Jennifer Gomez Blanton Student Services Bldg. Rm 119A	Ph: (214) 768-3384

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 Ph: (214) 768-3384

 https://www.smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/FinancialAid/TypesOfAid/StudentEmployment

Student Financial Services / Bursar

Executive Director & University Bursar: Albert Jabour Blanton Student Services Bldg, Rm 220 <u>https://www.smu.edu/bursar/</u>Ph: (214) 768-3417

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Vice President for Student A airs: Dr. K.C. Mmeje Perkins Administration Building, Suite 203 https://www.smu.edu/studenta airs/

e Division of Student A airs is responsible for the oversight of educational and developmental programs in and out of the classroom settings at the University. e initial purpose of the Division is to support academic endeavors, however, it also works to extend what is learned in the traditional classroom into the free time and recreational activities of students. e Division is sta ed by masters and doctoral degree professionals and a number of clerical and service personnel. Many students are also employed by the Division in positions of leadership in the residence halls and other areas. e sense of community for students is critical to student success inside and outside of the classroom. e many programs and services which are sponsored by the Division are directed towards the creation of a very close and lasting sense of community, which allows students to support each other while they grow through their shared college experiences.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Hegi Family Career Development Center **Exec Director:** Dr. Crystal Clayton https://www.smu.edu/career/

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT & SUCCESS Asst VP / Chief of Sta : Dr. Adam Cebulski https://www.smu.edu/studenta_airs/ Hughes-Trigg Suite 200 Ph: (214) 768-2266

Ph: (214) 768-2821

Perkins Admin, Suite 203

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Social Change & Intercultural Eengagement Director: Erica Zamora https://www.smu.edu/multicultural/

e Student Experience Director: Dr. Lindsey Koch <u>https://www.smu.edu/newstudent/</u>

Women & LGBT Center Director: Dr. Sidney R. Gardner <u>https://www.smu.edu/womenandlgbtcenter/</u> <u>https://www.smu.edu/WomensSymposium/</u>

STUDENT WELLBEING & SUPPORT

Dean of Students O ce Assoc VP & Dean: Dr. Melinda Sutton Noss https://www.smu.edu/studentlife/

Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports Exec Director: Jorge Juarez https://www.smu.edu/recsports/

Health Services / Dr. Bob Smith Health Center Assoc Dean / Exec Dir: Dr. Randolph P. Jones Outpatient Medical Clinic Counseling Services https://www.smu.edu/healthcenter/ 24-J

Student Support, Advocacy, & Accountability Assoc Dean & Director: Dr. Evelyn L. Ashley https://www.smu.edu/studentconduct/

Student Support (CCC Program) Director: Elsie Johnson https://www.smu.edu/deanofstudentsccc/

Violence Prevention & Support Services Director: Tawny Alonzo https://www.smu.edu/studentlife

RELIGIOUS LIFE

Chaplain & University Ministries Chaplain: Dr. Stephen W. Rankin https://www.smu.edu/chaplain/

RESIDENCE LIFE

Residence Life & Student Housing Asst VP / Dean: Melinda Carlson https://www.smu.edu/housing/ Hughes-Trigg Suite 307 Ph: (214) 768-4434

Hughes-Trigg Suite 318 Ph: (214) 768-4560

Hughes-Trigg Suite 313 Ph: (214) 768-4792

Hughes-Trigg Suite 302 Ph: (214) 768-4564

Dedman Center Suite 110 Ph: (214) 768-3374

Dr. Bob Smith Health Center Ph: (214) 768-2141 Ph. (214) 768-2860 24-Hr Crisis Ph. (214) 768-2277

> Hughes-Trigg Suite 302 Ph: (214) 768-4563

> Hughes-Trigg Suite 302 Ph: (214) 768-4564

> Hughes-Trigg Suite 302 Ph: (214) 768-4512

> Hughes-Trigg Suite 316 Ph: (214) 768-4502

Boaz Hall - West Entrance Ph: (214) 768-2407

SMU CAMPUS MAP - LEGEND

- 1 Dallas Hall
- 2 Daniel Parking Center
- 3 Hillcrest Manor
- 4 Storey Hall
- 5 Underwood Law Library
- 6 Carr Collins Hall
- 7 Florence Hall
- 8 Perkins Administration Building
- 9 McFarlin Auditorium
- 10 Umphrey Lee Center
- 11 Kennemer Fountain
- 12 SMU Flagpole
- 13 Virginia-Snider Commons
- 14 Shuttles Hall
- 15 Smith Health Center
- 16 Peyton Hall
- 17 Mary Hay Hall
- 18 Greer Garson eatre
- 19 Hamon Arts Library
- 20 Owen Arts Center
- 21 Smith Hall
- 22 Perkins Hall23 Bridwell Library
- 24 Perkins Chapel
- 25 Martin Hall26 Kirby Hall
- 27 Hillcrest Parking Center (Under Construction)
- 28 Selecman Hall
- 29 Prothro Hall
- 30 Moore Hall
- 31 SMU Apartments #5
- 32 SMU Apartments #4
- 33 Heroy Science Hall
- 34 Fondren Science Building
- 35 Dedman Life Sciences Building
- 36 Airline Parking Center
 37 Late Fountain
 38 Hyer Hall
 39 Laura Bush Promenade

- 40 Fondren Library Center (DeGolyer Library)
- 41 Annette Caldwell Simmons Hall
- 42 Harold Clark Simmons Hall
- 43 Ford Hall (Under Construction)
- 44 Clements Hall
- 45 Hughes-Trigg Student Center (Centennial Hall)
- 46 Patterson Hall (SMU Police)

- 47 Maguire Building48 Crow Building49 Fincher Building
- 50 Crain Family Centennial Promenade
- 51 Caruth Hall
- 52 Embrey Engineering Building
- 53 Junkins Engineering Building
- 54 Turner Centennial Quadrangle
- 55 Blanton Student Services Building
- 56 Crain Fountain
- 57 Boaz Commons
- 58 Collins Center (Crum Auditorium)
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60 Indoor Performance Center (Opens Aug 2019)

- **Binkley Parking Center** 61
- 62 Morrison-McGinnis Commons
- 63 McElvaney Commons
- 64 Cockrell-McIntosh Commons
- 65 Morrison-Bell Track
- 66 Westcott Field
- 67 Meadows Museum
- 68 Meadows Parking Center
- 69 Loyd All-Sports Center
- 70 Ford Stadium
- Future Development 71
- 72 Delta Gamma
- 73 Kappa Kappa Gamma
- 74 Panhellenic House #2 75
- Chi Omega
- 76 Gamma Phi Beta 77 Alpha Chi Omega
- 78 SMU Childcare Center
- 79 Panhellenic House #1
- 80 Pi Beta Phi
- 81 Kappa Alpha eta 82 Delta Delta Delta
- 83 Dawson Service Center
- 84 Beta eta Pi
- 85 SMU Service House
- 86 Dyer House
- 87 Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- 88 Phi Delta eta
- 89 Phi Gamma Delta
- 90 Alpha Epsilon Pi
- 91 Sigma Phi Epsilon
- 92 Kappa Sigma
- 93 Kappa Alpha Order
- 94 Moody Parking Center
- 95 Mustang Plaza and Mall
- 96 Miller Event Center
- 97 Moody Coliseum
- 98 Crum Basketball Center

103 Arnold Dining Commons

104 Armstrong Commons

106 Loyd Commons

107 Crum Commons 108 Ware Commons 109 SMU Bookstore

110 Tennis Complex

111 Data Center

105 Kathy Crow Commons

99 Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports

112 George W. Bush Presidential Center

118 Robson & Lindley Aquatics Center 119 Crum Lacrosse and Sports Field

120 Highland Park United Methodist Church

113 6210 N. Central Expressway

114 6200 N. Central Expressway

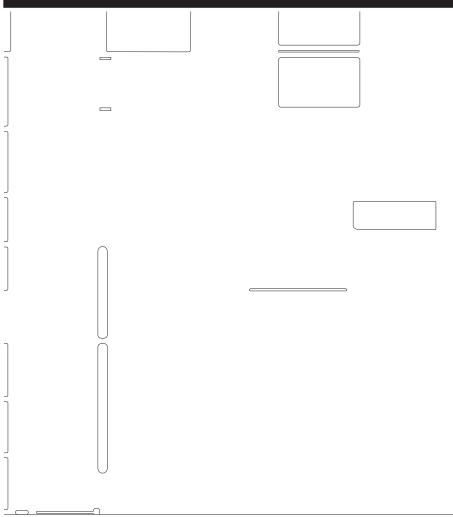
115 5539 SMU Boulevard

116 5538 Dyer Street

117 Expressway Tower

100 Mustang Parking Center 101 Doak Walker Plaza 102 Mustang Band Hall







STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT AND CONDUCT REVIEW PROCESS

I. PREAMBLE

A university is a complex institution. It is distinctive from anything else in society, and therefore, the focus of its norms is distinctive. Further, a private university is an elite institution; admittance and attendance is a privilege granted on the assumption that the applicant who has voluntarily enrolled in the institution shares the university's values and goals and is committed to its purpose. If a student's values and goals are not consistent with those of the university, the privilege of attendance may be terminated.

To that end, students of Southern Methodist University commit themselves to the following values:

• Academic honesty.

Fundamental to any higher learning community is academic honesty. An environment free from giving or receiving unauthorized aid is fundamental to the process of learning and evaluating academic performance.

- Moral courage.
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any action deemed appropriate, including reversing, amending, or remanding with instructions concerning such decisions. e President's power of review as stated herein is not limited in any way, and the President is authorized to act at his/her sole discretion in conducting such review and in deciding what action is appropriate.

e Code of Conduct applies to student behavior both on and o the campus of Southern Methodist University, including travel on University-sanctioned trips. Students traveling on University-sanctioned trips are representing Southern Methodist University and are expected to make responsible decisions regarding behavior so t,urt,(i)0.5 yd w t10 htedbookciding what2ad about such claim or allegation; review of documents or other tangible information relating to the claim or allegation; review of any information already available in a public domain (i.e., postings/photographs on social media, such as Facebook, text messages, emails, webpages) or other information discovered or provided that is deemed relevant to such inquiry by SMU.

- K. "Investigator" refers to the person who conducts the investigation of the complaint or incident.
- L. "Public place(s)" includes, but is not limited to any dining hall, lobby, hallway, lounge, study area, stairwell or restroom of on-campus buildings, fraternity and sorority housing, or any outdoor areas on campus grounds.
- M. "Recognized organization" shall refer to any organization who has been designated by the Students' Association as having either a probationary, temporary, or full charter.
- N. "Respondent" refers to a student or student group who has allegedly violated policy.
- O. "Student" means any person for whom the University maintains educational records, as de ned by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and related regulations, and who is currently enrolled and/or is part of a degree-granting program.
- P. "University Conduct Board" is the pool of trained faculty, sta , and students from which a hearing panel is selected.
- Q. "University community" means any student, faculty, administration or sta member at the University.
- R. "Conduct O cer" refers to a University sta member trained in the conduct review process to adjudicate cases.

IV. CODE OF CONDUCT

e following acts may subject students to action within the University Conduct Review Process:

A. PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

1. Alcohol. Violating the University's alcohol policy (University Policies 1.5.2 and 1.5.3). is includes, but is not limited to such behaviors as the manufacture, possession, purchase, or consumption of alcoholic beverages on or o campus for those under 21 years of age other than where the law provides; public intoxication of any person regardless of age on or o campus; the unlawful provision of alcohol to others; and the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in public places on campus, with the exception of days and locations approved by the Vice President for Student A airs for those persons 21 years of age and older. Such exceptions to the alcohol policy will be handled in accordance with the Procedures for the Sale and Service of Alcohol, which may be accessed online at <u>https://www.smu.edu/StudentA_airs/VPSA/Alcohol</u>. (See <u>https://www.smu.edu/policy</u> for full policy.)

2. Community Standards. Violating the Community Standards outlined by the Department of Resident Life and Student Housing. (See <u>https://www.smu.edu/</u>StudentA airs/Housing/eHandbook/CommunityStandards for full policy.)





11. Weapons. Violating the University's weapons policy (University Policy 10.5). To the fullest extent of Federal and Texas law, the University prohibits the possession of any dangerous weapon (either openly or in a concealed manner), or facsimiles of dangerous weapons such as water guns or toy guns and knives, on all University property, athletic venues, passenger transportation vehicles, and any groups or building on which University activities are conducted. If weapons or reasonable facsimiles of weapons are used, pursuit and attack games, including but not limited to "Gotcha," "Assassin," and "Dungeons and Dragons" are not permitted to be played on campus. (See <u>https://www.smu.edu/policy</u> for full policy.)

12. Motorized Vehicles. Violating the University's Vehicle Regulations (See pg. 41 of this PDF for full regulations).

B. INTELLECTUAL INTEGRITY

1. Emergency Equipment. Tampering with or misusing re- ghting equipment, including re suppression systems (i.e., sprinklers), call boxes, emergency exits, or warning devices, or creating any hindrance of emergency procedures that is a threat to the community.

2. Entertainment. Engaging in entertainment on campus by strippers or other such dancers whose activities fall outside of the educational mission of the University.

3. Failure to Comply. Failing to comply with reasonable requests from University sta or administrators, including the completion of conduct-related sanctions. Students are expected to respond promptly to all correspondence from the University and its o cials and are expected to maintain current addresses, both for U.S. mail and e-mail, on le with the Registrar's O ce.

4. Hazing. Hazing, being hazed, and/or failing to report hazing incidents. "Hazing" means any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, occurring on or o the campus of an educational institution, by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, a liating with, holding o ce in, or maintaining membership in any organization whose members are or include, students at an educational institution.

5. Identi cation. Purchasing, possessing and/or using false identi cation or another person's identi cation. SMU IDs may not be used by anyone but the student pictured on the ID card for the use of SMU facilities. ID cards may not be altered. Likewise, personal accounts programmed onto SMU ID cards are for use at the discretion of the student on campus or at authorized locations o campus, pursuant to the rules under which the accounts were formed, including Pony Express Accounts.

6. Interference. Interfering with or disrupting an University teaching, research, administrative, disciplinary, public service, learning, or other authorized activity.

7. Trespassing.

2. Discrimination. Harassing any member of the community related to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity and expression. Due to the University's commitment to freedom of speech and expression, harassment is more than insensitivity or conduct that o ends or creates an uncomfortable situation for certain members of the community. (See <u>https://www.smu.edu/policy</u> for University Policy 3.1, "Nondiscrimination, A rmative Action, and Equal Opportunity Policy.")

3. Harassment. Engaging in harassment, whether physical, psychological, verbal, written or digital-based, which is beyond the bounds of protected free speech, and

- 5. If an incident involves more than one respondent, the Conduct O cer, at his or her discretion, may conduct a separate hearing for each respondent.
- 6. Any change in the allegation against a respondent shall be regarded as a new complaint subject to the conduct review process.
- 7. If a respondent fails to attend a conduct hearing, the Conduct O cer or Hearing Panel may conduct a hearing in the absence of the respondent.
- 8. As necessary, hearings and appeals will go forward during summer through



C. Noti cation of a Conduct Hearing

No less than ve (5) days prior to the Conduct O cer or Conduct Board Hearing ("hearing"), the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards shall provide to the complainant and the respondent a written *Noti cation of Hearing*, which shall include the date, time, and location of the hearing, taking into account the class schedule of each party, in addition to the date of the incident, and the alleged violation(s) of the Code of Conduct.

e Noti cation of a Conduct Hearing will be delivered via email to the SMU email address on record with the University Registrar for a student, and may also be delivered via courier or US Mail.

With the written agreement of the respondent, and, if applicable, the complainant, and at the discretion of the Conduct O cer or Hearing Panel, the right to receive notic cation of a conduct hearing no less than ve days prior to a hearing may be waived.

When the respondent is a student organization, the Noti cation of a Conduct Hearing will be sent to the student organization president and the SMU facuty/sta advisor.

D. Conduct O cer Hearing

e Conduct O cer shall meet with the respondent, and the complainant, if one exists other than the University. At his or her discretion, the Conduct O cer may meet with the complainant and the respondent separately.

Video and/or teleconferencing for Conduct O cer Hearings will be permitted, at the discretion of the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards, if classes are not in session and/or unusual circumstances exist which would prevent the student from appearing in person.

If either the complainant or the respondent or both do not meet with the Conduct O cer, the Conduct O cer may determine the outcome of the case with either or both parties absent.

e Conduct O cer may determine the outcome of the case administratively by assigning responsibility and sanctions.

e Conduct O cer may refer the case to a University Conduct Board if the Conduct O cer is unable to determine the outcome of the case or if the outcome would be best determined by the University Conduct Board.

E. University Conduct Board Hearings

1. University Conduct Board Membership Selection

a. e O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards shall conduct a selection process for students, faculty, and sta to serve on University Conduct Board. e O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards shall appoint members to serve on a speci c hearing panel on a random basis, whenever possible, and make every attempt to ensure that Board members re ect the full diversity of the University.

2. Composition of a Hearing Panel

a. Hearing panels are composed of any combination of ve students, faculty, and sta , with students comprising the majority of the hearing panel. Hearing panel members are randomly selected by the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards from the members of the University Conduct Board.



- b. e O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards shall appoint the Chair of each hearing panel. e Chair is a non-voting member of the hearing panel.
- c. In each University Conduct Board Hearing, the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards will appoint a University Representative to record the hearing. e University Representative will also ensure that the procedures are not in violation of student rights.

3. Quorum Requirements for a Hearing Panel

- a. Quorum for a hearing panel shall be ve (5) voting members of the Board (in any combination).
- b. If fewer than ve (5) voting members of the Board are present at the opening of a hearing, the hearing may be postponed until ve (5) voting members can be convened, or, upon written agreement of the chairperson, complainant, and respondent, the requirements in this subsection may be waived.
- c. Any member of a hearing panel may recuse him or herself voluntarily. Participation of a hearing panel member can also be challenged by a complainant or respondent. If there is no quorum due to a member's recusal or removal, the hearing will be delayed until an alternate member of the University Conduct Board can be selected.

4. Prehearing Procedures

- a. Prior to the University Conduct Board hearing, the complainant and the respondent may meet separately with a Conduct Liaison. e Conduct Liaisons may attend the University Conduct Board Hearing but will not question witnesses, provide statements or speak on behalf of a student. Neither the complainant nor the respondent is obligated to meet with the Conduct Liaison.
- b. The complainant (including the University in situations where the complainant does not wish to proceed on his or her own) and the respondent must attempt to provide written notic cation to the witnesses whom they intend to call during the University Conduct Board Hearing. Such notice shall set forth the time, place, and date of the hearing. e University shall notify members of the student community that failure to appear as a witness may result in a charge against them under Section IV., B., 13. of the Code of Conduct for failing to comply with requests from University stations.
- c. No less than three (3) days prior to the hearing, the complainant and the respondent may each present to the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards copies of all documents to be introduced at the hearing as well as a list of those witnesses whose testimony will be presented in person or by summation, including a brief summary of anticipated testimony.
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5. Hearing Procedures

- a. e Chair of a Board shall maintain order for the proper conduct of the hearing and, when necessary, may expel disruptive individuals or adjourn the hearing to a later time to assure the full development of facts in a calm, deliberate setting.
- b. A Conduct O cer and/or University Conduct Board may accommodate concerns for the personal safety, well-being, and/or fears of confrontation of the complainant, accused student, and/or other witness during the hearing by providing separate facilities, by using a visual screen, and/ or by permitting participation by telephone, videophone, closed circuit television, video conferencing, videotape, audio tape, written statement, or other means, where and as determined in the sole judgment of the Dean of Students or his or her designee to be appropriate.
- c. At the discretion of the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards, the Chair may grant extensions of time at any point prior to the commencement of the hearing to permit reasonably su cient time for:
 - i. the complainant to prepare his or her case; or
 - ii. the respondent to prepare his or her response; or
 - iii. both.
- d. At the discretion of the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards, the complainant and/or respondent may be granted an extension of time to provide additional evidence to the University Conduct Board.
- e. If, after the commencement of the hearing, the University Conduct Board discovers the need for more preparation or more time to hear testimony, the Chair shall recess the hearing to a later time.

6. Statements and Witnesses

- a. e Chair shall permit the introduction of any relevant testimony and documents.
- b. e Chair shall resolve any procedural issues with discretion and, if applicable, may consult with the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards regarding such.
- c. e purpose of the University Conduct Board hearing is to address behavior(s), not student character. erefore, only information that is relevant to the incident, including witness testimony, will be considered during a hearing. Character witnesses, statements, and reference letters will not be considered.
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reporter to be present to transcribe the University Conduct Board Hearing or to transcribe the audio recording of the hearing. e O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards shall store the recording and any transcript for as long as the le is kept. Deliberations of the University Conduct Board after the hearing may not be recorded or transcribed.

F. Rights of a Student in the Conduct Review Process

- 1. Respondents will be provided a written notice of charges prior to a hearing.
- 2. Complainants and Respondents will be provided a list of witnesses who will be asked to provide information at a hearing, as well as the opportunity to review all written evidence prior to the hearing.
- 3. Complainants and Respondents will be a orded an opportunity to present evidence or to call witnesses not already called by the University to testify or submit written statements. All witnesses must have the prior approval of O ce of Student Conduct and Community Standards before participating in a hearing. Witnesses should have rst-hand knowledge of the incident. It is the responsibility of the student to notify any additional witnesses of the time, date, and location of the hearing.
- 4. e right to have two people serve as support persons during the conduct hearing. Such persons are for silent moral support.
- 5. Respondents may remain silent before, during, and after the hearing and may make a statement explaining the reasons for remaining silent.
- 6. If the hearing is a University Conduct Board hearing, Complainants and Respondents will have the opportunity to consult with a Conduct Liaison(s) provided by the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards. e



- 2. Sanctions that a ect standing with the University:
 - a. CONDUCT PROBATION. A student or group is given a warning that further violations will result in consideration of suspension. e student or a group representative may be required to report to a Conduct O cer on a regular basis during the period of the probation.

- b. RESIDENCE HALL PROBATION. A student is advised that additional violations on or o campus could result in the reassignment of their housing location or the cancellation of their housing contract.
- c. RESIDENCE HALL RESTRICTION. A student may be restricted from entering a speci c residence hall or all residence halls, as speci ed, without the express written permission of the O ce of Residence Life and Student Housing.
- d. FINE. An individual or group may be ned any amount determined to be appropriate and commensurate with the severity of the o ense. Fines resulting from an alcohol policy violation will be a minimum of \$100 and nes resulting from a drug policy violation will be \$500.
- e. DISQUALIFICATION FROM HOLDING OFFICIAL STUDENT POSITIONS OR PARTICIPATING IN UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES. An individual or group sanctioned will be restricted from either representing the University in an intercollegiate activity, or from participation/representation in any University activity or organization.
- f. RESTITUTION. An individual or group will be required to pay a person or institution to compensate for the damage or loss of property.
- g. NOTIFICATION OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN/NATIONAL ORGANIZATION/AUTHORIZING BODY. e University may notify a students' parent or guardian, as allowed under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (1974), or the national organization and/or university authorizing body for a student group, of the student or group's involvement in a policy violation.
- h. SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES. An individual or group will lose privileges that allow participation in speci c activities, use of speci c facilities, or the exercise of speci c privileges.
- i. DISCIPLINARY VIOLATION (DV) TRANSCRIPT RECORD. If the nature of the o ense so warrants, a notation indicating a disciplinary violation will be recorded on a students' academic transcript. e notation will remain for the time he/she is enrolled at the University and for three (3) years following his/her graduation. If the student leaves the University before graduation, the notation is removed three (3) years after the anticipated date of graduation from the University.
- j. EDUCATIONAL SANCTION. e objective of an educational sanction is to provide opportunities for education, re ection, and rehabilitation; and is selected to be commensurate with the o ense.
- k. CAMPUS RESOURCE REFERRAL. A student or group may be required to contact an individual or department on campus.
- DRUG TESTING. A student may be subject to random on-going drug testing. The number of tests/dates will be determined by the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards and the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center. The fee for drug testing will be included in the fine assessed at the time of adjudication. Any missed test, diluted test, or positive test may result in immediate suspension from the University.



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3. Grounds for Requesting an Appeal

e University Conduct Council may grant an appeal to the complainant or the respondent or both on nding that (i) any one or more of the following circumstances exist and (ii) the mere existence of the circumstance(s) would signi cantly change the University Conduct Board's ndings and recommended sanction, if any:

- a. Erroneous ndings of fact;
- b. Procedural irregularities in the Conduct Review Process that denied one or both parties a fair hearing;
- c. New and relevant evidence not known at the time of the hearing;
- d. Recommendation of a sanction that is either unreasonably harsh or inadequate.

4. University Conduct Council Procedures Regarding Appeals

- a. e O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards will provide the University Conduct Council with a packet of documentation that must contain the following:
 - i. the original incident report and/or complaint led with the University;
 - ii. any and all documents accepted by the Conduct O cer or Hearing Panel, and taken into consideration when determining the outcome of the hearing;
 - iii. any audio recording and/or transcript of the hearing, if either exists;
 - iv. the written request for an appeal explaining the grounds for appeal; and
 - v. any written response provided by the non-appealing party.
- b. Only those members of the University Conduct Council who have participated in training shall sit as the appellate body.
- c. e University Conduct Council shall base its ndings and recommendations on the following:
 - i. either party's written request for an appeal;
 - ii. any summary of the hearing prepared by the Conduct O cer or Hearing Panel; and
 - iii. the packet of required documentation prepared by the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards.
- d. At its discretion, the University Conduct Council may schedule a hearing and allow oral statements. e University Conduct Council may determine the presenters and the amount of time allowed for each statement.

5. Determination of Appeal

- a. Within fteen (15) days of the date of the receipt of the appeal packet from the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards, the University Conduct Council shall recommend to the Vice President of Student A airs one of the following actions:
 - i. Dismissal or remand of the case based on a nding that there were such procedural irregularities during the Conduct Review Process that one or both parties were clearly denied a fair hearing;
 - ii. Dismissal or remand of the case based on a nding that there were erroneous ndings of fact;



- iii. Lowering or increasing the sanction(s) imposed based on a nding that the recommendation of a sanction is either unreasonably harsh or inadequate;
- iv. Remanding the case to the original Conduct O cer or Hearing Panel based on the nding that there exists signi cant new and relevant information regarding the allegation(s) discovered between the conclusion of the original hearing and the time of the appeal.
- v. Upholding the ndings and recommended sanctions, if any, of the Conduct O cer or Hearing Panel.
- b. Subject to the discretionary review by the President pursuant to Section V., H(6) below, the Vice President for Student A airs shall review the recommendation of the University Conduct Council, and the record of the complaint as a whole, and render a nal determination in the matter to be returned to the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards.
- c. Within ve (5) days of receipt of the nal determination from the Vice President for Student A airs, the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards will notify the complainant, the respondent, and the Title IX Coordinator (if applicable) in writing of the outcome of the request for an appeal as determined by the Vice President of Student A airs on the recommendation of the University Conduct Council.

6. Review by the President of the University

At his or her discretion, the President of the University may review decisions concerning student conduct, including ndings of the University Conduct Board, the University Conduct Council, and all other conduct review bodies. Such review includes the power to take any action deemed appropriate, including reversing, amending, or remanding with instructions concerning such decisions. e President's power of review as stated in this policy is not limited in any way, and the President may act at his or her sole discretion in conducting such review and in deciding what action is appropriate.

e President shall inform in writing the complainant, the respondent, the Vice President for Student A airs, and the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards of any decision to a rm, reverse, amend, or remand any decision.

VI. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

A. Academic Dishonesty Cases

Any cases involving academic dishonesty will be handled in accordance with the Honor Code, which may be accessed online at <u>https://smu.edu/StudentA_airs/</u> StudentLife/StudentHandbook/HonorCouncil

B. Graduate Hearing Boards

e Dedman School of Law, the Perkins School of eology, and the Lyle School of Engineering shall each appoint, as may be necessary and appropriate, hearing boards composed of sta , faculty and graduate students to hear misconduct cases.

- 1. e rosters of persons appointed to these boards shall be made available, as needed, to the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards.
- 2. All conduct charges against graduate students not enrolled in the Dedman School of Law, the Perkins School of eology, or the Lyle School of Engineering will be heard through this student conduct review process.



- 3. As with all other hearing boards, the result of a graduate hearing board, under this process, may be appealed to the University Conduct Council appellate body.
- 4. Academic dishonesty cases concerning graduate students at the Cox School of Business, the Dedman School of Law, and the Perkins School of eology are handled separately through processes established at each of those schools.

C. Student Organizations

e Student Code of Conduct applies to student groups and organizations as well as individuals. When a student organization is believed to have violated the Student Code of Conduct, University policies, or the law, the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards will conduct an investigation.

1. Notice of Investigation: When initiating an investigation of a student organization the O $\,$ ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards will



b. Sanctions assigned by a Conduct O cer: e conduct o cer overseeing the investigation will assign the sanctions deemed appropriate to the organization in consideration of the existing agreement or sanctions. e assigned sanctions may be appealed by following the steps outlined in the Conduct Review Process.

D. Interim Action

If student or student organization behavior presents an on-going threat of disruption to the community or is a danger to the safety of others, the Vice President for Student Affairs and/or the Dean of Students or their designee may impose such sanctions as s/he deems appropriate pending a conduct hearing.

E. Mandatory Administrative Withdrawal

If student behavior presents a threat of disruption to the community or is a danger to the safety of others to such a degree that resolution through the University conduct review process is not possible or appropriate, the Dean of Students may, in consultation with the Vice President for Student Affairs, mandate an immediate withdrawal of the student from the University. Such mandatory withdrawal may include, but is not limited to: withdrawal from academic classes, removal from



I. Violations of the Law and the Code

e University recognizes that some violations may be handled concurrently by the University and civil and/or criminal authorities. e criminal court process is separate and distinct from the conduct review process, which determines only violations of the Student Code and imposes sanctions within the University community. As such, concurrent action by both processes does not constitute double jeopardy.

VII. RETENTION OF CONDUCT RECORDS

Upon graduation or withdrawal from the University, student records in the O ce of Student Conduct & Community Standards are maintained for a period of no less than seven (7) years to facilitate compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act; after which time they are destroyed. Records of students who are suspended or expelled from the University will be maintained inde nitely. Conduct records may be released to third parties pursuant to University policies and federal and state laws.

Sanctions resulting in a change of a student's standing with the University may be disclosed to third parties; those sanctions include conduct probation, deferred suspension, suspension, and expulsion. Educational sanctions assigned may also be disclosed. Sanctions not a ecting a student's standing with the University will not be disclosed; those sanctions include formal and informal warnings.

Cases which result in a student receiving amnesty through the Call for Help program (medical amnesty or Good Samaritan) will not be classi ed as student conduct records and will therefore not be disclosed to third parties expect as permitted by the student or required by the law. ese records will similarly be maintained for a period of no less than seven (7) years.

Only students with a violation occurring prior to the 2016-2017 academic year, who have earned 90 academic credits and achieved senior standing may request, through a written petition, to have their conduct record expunged by the Dean of Students for good cause. Factors to be considered in review of such petitions shall include:

- 1. e present demeanor of the student.
- 2. e conduct of the student subsequent to the violation.

3. e nature of the violation and the severity of any damage, injury, or harm resulting from it.

ere is no appeal of the decision made by the Dean of Students in response to a request to expunge a record.

VIII. INTERPRETATION, REVISION, AND AMENDMENTS

A. Code of Conduct

e Student Code as described in Section IV is received and evaluated by the Student Senate, which is the legislative body representing student interests. e writing of the Student Code involves students, is for students, and is the expression of the student body's relationship to the rest of the University. Hence, the Student Senate may at any time make recommendations to the code and the senate shall be asked to endorse it. Changes to the Student Code adopted by the Student Senate are subject to approval by the President of the University. e most up-to-date version of this handbook can be viewed online at **https://smu.edu/studentlife** at any time.

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B. Conduct Review Process

e Vice President for Student A airs has responsibility for establishing and maintaining the conduct review process through its various parts. e University Conduct Council, in consultation with faculty, sta, students, and others, as appropriate, and in conjunction with the Vice President for Student A airs, makes recommendations/amendments to the procedures of the conduct review process as described in Section V to the President of the University.

- 1. Proposals are to be made to the University Conduct Council for their recommendation, but nal authority to change the conduct review process rests with the University President.
- 2. When the University Conduct Council receives a change, the Council is required to inform the Dean of Students and the Student Body President of the proposal and the details of the proposal's contents in writing. is requirement is for written notic cation only; approval is not required by either the Dean of Students or the Student Body President.
- 3. Students with questions regarding this process may see the Dean of Students.
- 4. e Vice President for Student A airs may delegate any part or all of his/her authority from time to time, to any person or several persons, wherever he/she deems it appropriate. is person or persons is referred to as a Conduct O cer.



e general principles for all honest writing can be summarized brie y. Acknowledge indebtedness:

1. Whenever you quote another person's actual words.

2. Whenever you use another person's idea, opinion, or theory, even if it is completely paraphrased in your own words.

3. Whenever you borrow facts, statistics, or other illustrative material - unless the information is common knowledge.

Plagiarism also encompasses the notions of citing quotations and materials from secondary sources that were not directly consulted in the preparation of the student's work, and copying the organizational and argumentation structure of a work without acknowledging its author.

ARTICLE I

JURISDICTION, RATIFICATION, AND AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: e Honor Council shall oversee the academic conduct of all undergraduate and graduate students with the exception of those graduate students enrolled in the Schools of Law, eology, Business, or Education of Southern Methodist University.

SECTION 2: Rati cation of this Constitution shall be by majority vote of the Student Senate, the Faculty Senate, and the approval of the Provost and Dean of Students.

SECTION 3: Amendments may be proposed by a student senator, faculty senator, member of the council, or by petition of no less than ten (10) percent of the student body. Passage shall require a majority vote of the Honor Council and approval by the Student Senate, the Faculty Senate, and the approval of the Provost and the Dean of Students.

ARTICLE II

HONOR COUNCIL COMPOSITION AND AUTHORITY

SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP If possible, the Honor Council should be comprised of a minimum of four o cers and no less than 27 general members. Membership is open to all members of the SMU student body without respect to sex, sexual orientation, race, color, religion, disability, age, veteran status, or national origin. e o cers will be elected internally by the Honor Council. General members will be selected through an application and interview process by the Honor Council Executive Board. e 27 general members should be categorized following these guidelines:

- (a) Five (5) rst-year students (after recruiting)
- (b) Six (6) sophomore students

3 For example, a writer should not reproduce a quotation found in a book review and indicate that quotation was obtained

¹ Labeling a student as being "dishonest" constitutes a form of moral condemnation, which can be a legitimate sanction in itself. Such moral condemnation, however, is not normally imposed for a simple act of negligence (e.g., a typographical error resulting in a miscited source). A student who cites long passages from a book without acknowledgment cannot expect to convince the decision maker that the omission was merely "negligent." Such ignorance is not a valid defense. Not knowing what one has done (e.g., inadvertently omitting a footnote) is to be distinguished from knowingly doing something while ignorant of a rule.

² e term "academic exercise" includes all forms of work submitted for credit or honors at the University, as well as materials submitted to other institutions or organizations for evaluation or publication.

- (c) Seven (7) junior students
- (d) Eight (8) senior students
- (e) One (1) graduate student from a school under the council's jurisdiction
- (f) Five (5) members nominated by the Faculty Senate and appointed by the Provost



SECTION 2: NOTIFICATION OF STUDENT AND PREHEARING PROCEDURES

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(b) e vice president shall inform the student that he or she may bring one person from the SMU community (a SMU student, faculty member, or sta member) and his or her parents. Parents and/or community support person are for moral support only and may not participate in the hearing unless called upon as a witness. Parents or family members who are attorneys may not be present in a lawyer capacity. Attorneys may not attend or participate in the hearing.

ARTICLE IV - HEARING RULES AND PROCEDURES

SECTION 1: GENERAL HEARING RULES

- (a) Unless otherwise noted, all guidelines concerning shall follow the same general principles set forth by the University Conduct Review Process.
- (b) e president or his/her designee shall act as the nonvoting presiding o cer of the hearing.
- (c) e respondent may challenge any board member's eligibility to sit on the panel; however, the hearing board by majority vote, will have the nal decision regarding the panelist's eligibility.
- (d) Hearings will be closed to the public, except for the respondent's parents, the community support person accompanying the respondent, and Honor Council members-in-training. e respondent may request an open hearing, which may be held at the discretion of the president. Open hearings will waive all rights to con dentiality.
- (e) Any person, including the respondent, who disrupts a hearing or who fails to adhere to the rulings of the president may be excluded from the proceeding.
- (f) All proceedings are con dential. Violations of the policy on con dentiality will result in a board member's removal from the council as well as subject the board member to possible conduct action.
- (g) In accusations involving more than one (1) student, the president will determine whether separate hearings will be held. If a single hearing is held, the respondents may be asked to testify with the other(s) out of the hearing room. Guilt or innocence and penalties will be assigned separately.
- (h) If the respondent withdraws from school pending a hearing, the Honor Council retains jurisdiction to render a nding of guilt and apply sanctions.

SECTION 2: HEARING PROCEDURES

- (a) A hearing board should be comprised of four students and one faculty Honor Council member. e quorum for a hearing shall be four members. For a hearing to commence, the complainant or a statement by him or her, and the investigator or a statement by him or her must be present. e respondent does not have to be present for the case to proceed. Training for hearing board members will be jointly planned and implemented by the faculty adviser and the Dean of Students.
- (b) Prospective witnesses, other than the complainant and the respondent, shall be excluded from the hearing during the testimony of other witnesses.
- (c) Formal rules of evidence shall not be applicable in the hearing. Unduly repetitious or irrelevant evidence may be excluded. Circumstantial evidence and hearsay are admissible.
- (d) Respondents shall be accorded an opportunity to question the complainant and those witnesses who testify for the complainant at the hearing.
- (e) In like manner, the complainant shall be accorded an opportunity to question the respondent and those witnesses who testify for the respondent at the hearing.
- (f) e burden of proof shall be upon the complainant, who must establish the guilt of the respondent by clear and convincing evidence.



- (g) All parties, the witnesses, and the public shall be excluded during panel deliberations. Honor Council members-in-training, if any, will be allowed to stay for deliberations but may not contribute to the discussion of the board.
- (h) A four (4) out of ve (5) vote is necessary for a verdict of responsibility to enter. If only four (4) members are present, a unanimous four (4) to zero (0) vote is necessary for a verdict of Responsible. Any vote short of the requirement will exonerate the respondent and the board will dismiss the charge.
- (i) A majority vote is necessary for the sanctions to be set. If there is no majority opinion, then the student will not receive any sanctions.
- (j) If the respondent is found responsible for an Honor Code violation, the president will inform the board of any prior Honor Code or Conduct violations by the respondent. e hearing board will then determine the sanction(s) to apply. (See Article V., Section 3.)
- (k) A brief, written statement of reasons for nding a student responsible or not responsible for an o ense and the sanctions imposed will be provided by the president or his/her designee. A copy of this statement, called a Hearing Summary, must be signed by the student and the president and given to the respondent in person or sent via certi ed mail if the respondent is not present, or refuses to accept his or her copy. e decision of the hearing board will be available to the respondent and accuser(s) no earlier than 24 hours after decision has been reached.

SECTION 3: SPECIAL CONTINGENCY PROCEDURES

- (a) In the event that a hearing must be held during the summer and on an accelerated schedule (such as the case of a student scheduled to graduate before the next academic term), and to the extent that logistics make it impossible to convene a hearing board according to Section 2(a), a special hearing board shall be convened for the hearing. e board shall still be comprised of ve members if possible (four (4) for a quorum), however more than one Honor Council faculty member is eligible to sit on the board, as well as is one member of the administration of Southern Methodist University, so long as there are at least two (2) student Honor Council members on any hearing board (including the (4) four-member quorum). Furthermore, any o cer of the Honor Council shall be eligible to sit on the board to the extent that they have no prior knowledge of the case.
- (b) All other special contingency hearing procedures shall follow the guidelines set forth in Section 2.

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discuss the case issues in general with other Honor Council members at their regular meeting for purposes of training, but no identifying information may be discussed.

SECTION 2: In lieu of, or in addition to, the above recommended Honor Violation, the following penalties may be given:

- (a) Educational sanction
- (b) Conduct Reprimand
- (c) Disciplinary Probation for a term set by the hearing board
- (d) Deferred sanctions for a term set by the hearing board
- (e) Suspension from the University for a term to be set by the hearing board (during which, credit gained at another institution cannot be transferred back to SMU);
- (f) Expulsion from the University
- (g) If the student receives a sanction involving a probationary period or higher, the student's parents will be noti ed

SECTION 3: e criteria on which penalties are based include but are not limited to:

- (a) Truthfulness and cooperation in the investigation and hearing;
- (b) Intent, premeditation and seriousness of the o ense;
- (c) Previous University Honor Council or Conduct record;
- (d) Harassment of the complainant or any witness.

SECTION 4: For a period of one year, no student with an H.V. on the transcript will be permitted to represent the University in any extracurricular activity, or run for or hold o ce in any recognized student organization, including, but not limited to, participating as a member of an athletic team, in performances conducted under University auspices, serving as a member of the Mustang Band, the debate teams, an o cer of a sorority or fraternity, a member of the Student Senate, a member of the Student Foundation, or in similar capacities. If students so sanctioned fail to remove themselves from such activities voluntarily, the Honor Council will contact the relevant student or administrative o cials to force such action. In exceptional situations, this penalty may be waived at the discretion of the hearing board.

SECTION 5: For a period of one year, no student with an H.V. on his or her record shall be entitled to a scholarship based on any factor other than need.

ARTICLE VI - APPEAL

SECTION 1: Grounds for appeal are the following:

- (a) substantial new relevant evidence not available at the time of the original hearing;
- (b) signi cant procedural irregularities which denied the student a fair hearing;
- (c) insu cient evidence provided to merit a nding of responsibility;
- (d) sanctions overly harsh;
- (e)

SECTION 3: All requests for appeal of the hearing board's decision shall be submitted to the University Conduct Council in writing no later than four (4) calendar days

VEHICLE REGULATIONS

POLICY STATEMENT

- 1. e University has enacted the following tra c rules and regulations for the safety and security of the SMU community. ey apply to all students, faculty, sta, and visitors. e parking rules, approved by the Vice President of Business and Finance, will be on le in the o ces of Parking and ID Card Services O ce and the Police Department. e complete text of the regulations is also available on the SMU web site at <u>https://www.smu.edu/parkingid</u>.
- **2.** e objective is to obtain voluntary compliance with the regulations rather than to assess nes. Fines have been enacted to deter violations.
- **3.** e plan provides parking spaces as conveniently as possible (v)ctualTe17.9 (vices On)**T**J/T



- **FACULTY AND STAFF VEHICLES** Motor vehicles parked on University property or streets by faculty or sta members must display a permit, which is obtained from the Parking and ID Card Services O ce in the Hughes-Trigg Student Center, Suite 216. e permit will be displayed on the inside of the front windshield, on the lower RIGHT hand side adhered to the glass. On motorcycles, the permit should be displayed in any conspicuous place.
- **VISITORS PARKING** (Faculty, Sta & Students are NOT visitors) Visitors to SMU should be given parking guidance by person or organization inviting them to campus.
 - **1.** Visitors and guests of the University may park in metered spaces on campus. e Binkley and Moody Parking Centers also o er self-pay and park options.
 - Visitors parking in the Moody Parking Center will be required to pay a at-rate fee of \$10.00. e one-time \$10.00 fee is good for the entire day or purchase a permit online for \$10.00 a day. e pay station is located at the SMU Blvd Entrance and will accept major credit cards



- **3.** Persons with "Disabled" permits must pay to park in SMU-operated (private property) metered parking spaces.
- **4.** An unauthorized vehicle in a space reserved for disabled persons will be cited and towed at the expense of the owner/operator.
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- 1. **RESIDENT PERMITS:** Persons who reside in campus housing (residence halls, sororities, fraternities and SMU apartments) are authorized to park in the resident areas indicated on the map and designated "All University Permit" (AUP) areas. Avoid RLSH sta spaces and visitor spaces. Proof of campus residency is required. Resident permits are not valid in the Daniel Parking Center.
- 2. **FALL PERMIT:** Speci cally for those non-resident students who will graduate at the end of the Fall Term, or for students who will not be taking classes on campus in the spring. Residents graduating in the fall should purchase a full year resident permit.
- ese non-resident students are authorized to park in AUP designated 3. **COMMUTERS:** areas. is includes the Commuter Lot, Airline Parking Center, Meadows Parking Center, the Moody Parking Center and the Binkley Parking Center. Students are not allowed to park in visitor and Faculty/Sta spaces within these locations. Non-resident permits are not valid in the Daniel Parking Center or resident parking locations.
- **FACULTY AND STAFF:** Employees are authorized to park in designated F/S areas on 4. the map, including Parking Centers and all university permit areas. It is not permitted to purchase a F/S permit for use by students. Faculty and sta should avoid spaces designated for visitors in the Parking Centers. Letter designated lots are by assignment only and require a permit speci c to that location.
- 5. LAW PERMITS: is permit authorizes parking in the Daniel Parking Center (Law). Airline Parking Center, Meadows Parking Center, the Moody Parking Center, Binkley Parking Center and AUP areas. Law permits are not valid in resident areas. Resident and non-resident permits are not valid in the Daniel Parking Center.
- ese vehicles are issued temporary permits 6. **SERVICE AND DELIVERY VEHICLES:** for loading, unloading and SMU vehicles (service and delivery, contractors, special guests, trustee parking, visitors, etc.) and must be displayed on the rearview mirror.
- **TEMPORARY**: is is a short term permit issued for a speci c date and location. 7.
- 8. **VISITOR PERMITS:** Used to designate visitors on campus.
- 9. **EMERITUS PERMIT:** Designates individuals who have retired from SMU. It allows them to park in any All-University Permit (AUP) area or any open faculty, sta or resident lot. Available through the Retired Faculty Association and the Retired Sta Association or the Parking and ID Card Services O ce, Hughes-Trigg Student Center, Suite 216.
- **10. CONTRACTOR PERMITS:** Contact the Parking and ID Card Services O ce.

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Parking fees per school year (September 1 - August 31) are as follows:

1. Student

Full-time (more than 9 credit hours) Full Year - \$330 Fall Semester Only - \$180 (Available only to Graduating Seniors) Spring Semester - \$180 Part-time (9 or fewer credit hours) Full Year - \$180 Fall Semester Only - \$90 (Available only to Graduating Seniors) Spring Semester - \$90

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- Summer (May August) \$50 Faculty/Sta \$31 a month or \$370 annually 3.
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TRAFFIC AND PARKING VIOLATIONS

University parking and tra c regulations, state laws, and City of University Park ordinances are in e ect on the SMU campus at all times.

FINES

- 1. Parking nes range between \$30 and \$300.
- **2.** e ne for a moving violation is \$60.
- **3.** Violation of parking in a space designated for the disabled without visible authorization or blocking a ramp for the disabled will result in a \$300 ne. In addition, the vehicle will be towed away at the owner's expense.
- **4.** A person is designated a **"Habitual Violator"** when six (6) citations are issued. A person is designated a **"Chronic Violator"** (10 or more citations) and will be towed at owner's expense.
- 5. Vehicles that have been immobilized or "booted" may be booted with a "Smart Boot" device. e boot can be released with payment by contacting 1.866.Paylock (207-2134), https://www.mybootinfo.com. e Paylock can be contacted for release 24/7.
- **6.** Fire lane and re hydrant violations are \$150.00 each.

VIOLATIONS

- **1.** e maximum permissible speed on campus streets is 20 MPH. e speed limit in all parking lots is 5 MPH.
- **2.** Vehicles must stop for pedestrians at all intersections and in marked crosswalks on campus. Pedestrians always have the right of way in any situation.
- **3.** A motor vehicle shall not be operated while any person is sitting on, holding onto, or otherwise positioned on the outside of the vehicle, except pick-up trucks, in which passengers may be seated in the truck bed if the passenger is not in violation of minimum age as de ned by state law.
- **4.** Special circumstances (loading/ unloading) vehicles will be considered, however, prior permission must be obtained. A maximum of twenty (20) minutes parking will be granted in these instances. e vehicle involved in loading or unloading must be parked in a legal parking space and must be moved immediately upon completion of the loading or unloading operation. e procedure does not convey the right to park in a FIRE LANE, a space designated for a DISABLED person, a NO PARKING ZONE, or a RESERVED space.
- **5.** It shall be a violation for any person to drive by, through, beyond, or move a barricade, a road block, or parking cone that is o cially erected on the campus.
- 6. Parking in a re lane.* (\$150 ne)
- 7. Blocking a driveway or crosswalk.* (\$50 ne)
- 8. Double parking.* (\$50 ne)
- 9. Parking in a space designated for persons with disabilities.* (\$300 ne)
- **10.** Parking in a crosswalk or yellow-painted NO PARKING zone. (Please note, activating the emergency ashers on your vehicle will NOT exempt you from being cited while parking in a NO PARKING zone. Vehicles parked for ANY length of time even with emergency ashers on are subject to being cited and towed by police!)
- 11. Moving tra c violations (includes driving motorcycles and mopeds on sidewalks)* (\$60 ne)
- **12.** Failing to yield the right of way to a pedestrian.
- 13. Overtime parking (this includes areas controlled by parking meters).
- **14.** Parking in an unauthorized area, no permit or incorrect permit, and spaces designated "VISITOR." **Students and employees are not considered visitors at any time.**
- **15.** Parking outside the de ned limits of a parking space (taking two spaces). Including parking over the line where the tire extends over the marked line into the space adjoining.



- **16.** Parking on sidewalks or grass, mall, or lawn.
- **17.** Parking a trailer or boat on campus without permission.
- **18.** Failure to properly display a parking permit or have a current vehicle registered to an active permit.
- **19.** Improper use of a University police citation.
- **20.** Bicycle violations (e.g., blocking ramps for the disabled, handrails, chained to trees or lamp posts).*
- 21. Parking in a "Reserved" parking space or area.*
- 22. Vehicle impoundment* (\$30 per day storage fee)
- 23. No valid decal. (\$50 ne) *Note: Towing is at owner's expense. e towing and impoundment fee is in addition to the Violation Fine.



What if I do not have a front license plate?

If your vehicle is registered in the State of Texas, the state requires two plates to be displayed, one in front and one in back of the vehicle. If you have a back-facing plate only, please park head-in so that the LPR system can read your registered license plate from the drive aisle. Failure to park head-in may result in a citation.

Will I receive a citation if my license plate is dirty or if I have a decorative cover?

As long as your plates are legal for driving, our system can read them.

What if I have a newly registered vehicle without a license plate?

Please enter the temporary license plate number when registering your vehicle and the VIN (Vehicle Identi cation Number). Do not forget to notify Parking and ID Card Services when you receive the permanent plate!

MULTIPLE VEHICLES / TEMPORARY VEHICLES

What if I own/drive more than one vehicle to campus?

Individuals are allowed to register multiple (up to three) vehicles on the same virtual parking permit. However, only one vehicle is allowed on campus at a time per permit. e LPR technology will recognize the rst vehicle as valid, but any additional vehicles under the same permit will be subject to citation.

What if I have a loaner or rental car?

Individuals are allowed to add or remove vehicles to their parking permit at any time, which will include loaner or rental cars. Once your usage of this temporary vehicle has ended, you will need to notify Parking Services to remove it.

VIRTUAL E-CITATIONS - HOW ARE CITATIONS ISSUED?

If a vehicle is found to be in violations of SMU vehicle regulations, it is subject to citation. Citations for SMU Students and Employees will be emailed to the SMU email address. Courtesy notic cations reminding students and employees will also be emailed. Citations for vehicles not registered or a liated will be physically placed on vehicles and the registered owner noticed by US mail.

PRIVACY

How will my license plate information be used?

e license plate information collected in this process will only be referenced against the campus database for purposes of verifying parking permits on campus.

HOURS OF RESTRICTION

Many of the campus parking areas are restricted by the type of permit 24 hours a day, while others are designated as restricted from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Drivers should be aware of the signage restricting the area before attempting to park the vehicle. A permit is still required.

During the hours of restrictions, a vehicle may be parked only in the parking area to which the vehicle has been assigned and for which a permit has been issued. If restrictions are posted with no time designation, the restriction is enforced 24 hours daily. On Saturday and Sunday and o cial school holidays, only posted restrictions are in e ect.

When restrictions are not in e ect, vehicles bearing a current SMU parking permit may park in any space that is not in violation of state and local statutes or is not controlled by signs or curb markings indicating special provisions. Reserved parking areas are reserved 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

ENFORCEMENT

- Citations will be issued by the University Police or Parking Enforcement o cials for 1. violation of tra c or parking regulations. A **sixth** tra c citation will result not only in a ne but also in the individual being
- 2. designated a habitual violator.
- Securing a parking permit using fraudulent registration information or displaying a ctitious permit will result in the revocation of parking privileges and referral to the 3.

If you answered "yes" to any of the questions, your moped is classi ed as a motorcycle. is means you are not eligible for the "K" restriction, and you require a Class M motorcycle license.

If you answered "no" to all three questions, your moped is eligible for a "K" restriction. is means you do not have to take a motorcycle test. A "K" restriction limits you to moped riding only; you cannot operate a motorcycle. To obtain your restriction:

• Print out a moped a davit.

https://www.txdps.state.tx.us/msb/documents/MopedA davit.pdf

- Take the a davit to a moped dealer or manufacturer for completion.
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IN-LINE SKATES, SKATEBOARDS, AND TRICK BIKES

e on-campus use of skateboards, in-line skates ("roller-blades"), and trick bikes is restricted to University faculty, sta and students. All other individuals are prohibited from using this recreational equipment on University property.

ELECTRIC SCOOTERS

Electric scooter use is permitted on the SMU campus subject to all ordinances enacted by local governments with authority over the SMU campus, including, but not limited to, City of University Park Ordinance No. 18-048 and Ordinance No. 18-049. ese guidelines apply to all students, faculty, sta , and visitors and to both shared-use and privately-owned electric scooters. Electric scooters are "motor-assisted scooters" as de ned by Texas Transportation Code Sec. 551.351.

1. Rules of the Road

- Electric scooter users must be eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- Electric scooter use may only occur in permitted areas on designated University





Additional Information

- Appeals must be submitted within 15 calendar days of issuance.
- If you have hold on your account and have appealed your citation please make payment to remove the hold, once a decision is granted in your favor you will be refunded the amount back to your account.
- Appellants receive email notice of receipt of a completed online appeal. If you do not receive an email acknowledgment, please contact **parking@smu.edu** or (214) 768-7275.
- Notice of the decision regarding your appeal will be sent by email or US mail.
- Please allow three to four weeks for a decision regarding your appeal. e number of



Southern Methodist University is pledged to full lists promise as a private university of the highest quality. Toward that end, a variety of services and programs are o ered which are conducive to the support of the learning that occurs in the classroom. Uppermost among the services and programs are those that promote the safety and security of the campus community.

JURISDICTION OF THE UNIVERSITY POLICE

Law Enforcement Authority of Campus Security Personnel

e SMU Police Department is a fully empowered law enforcement agency that is certi ed by the State of Texas. SMU Police O cers are armed, state-commissioned peace o cers with full police authority, duties and responsibilities. e SMU Police Department provides 24-hour emergency services with patrol o cers and a communications o cer on duty at all times. e department consists of 36 sta members; 30 of whom are armed, commissioned peace o cers. e SMU Police Department has the responsibility and duty to enforce all local, state, and federal laws and to e ect arrest and to provide for referral for prosecution of crimes to the city and county judicial systems. Criminal violations will be processed through the Dallas County District Attorney's O ce, or Federal criminal justice system. O cers also write citations for the City of University Park and the City of Dallas, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3.

Municipal Law Enforcement Jurisdiction

In addition to the SMU Police Department (SMU PD), the University Park Police Department (UPPD) has an excellent working relationship with SMU PD and has concurrent jurisdiction on the campus. University Park police o cers regularly patrol the campus and augment SMU PD during emergencies. e University Park Fire Department (UPFD) is within six blocks of the SMU campus and provides re prevention, suppression and emergency paramedic services to the campus. rough interagency agreements, the City of University Park, the Highland Park DPS, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas County Sheri 's Department will also provide assistance if requested by the SMU Police Department.

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SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY - CRIME STATISTICS 2016-2018

CATEGORIES	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Murder and Non-Negligent-Manslaughter	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0
Forcible Sex O enses - Reported to Police		4	3
Non-Forcible Sex O enses	0	0	0
Sex O enses - Not Reported to Police	6	6	10
Robbery	5	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2	4	2
Burglary	5	11	19
cible Sex O enses	0		



SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY - CRIME STATISTICS 2016-2018 cont'd

ARRESTS FOR SELECTED OFFENSES Liquor Law Violations <u>2016</u> <u>2017</u> <u>2018</u>

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ese crimes must have occurred within those areas of the campus that are speci cally de ned in 34 CFR 668.46(a). ese areas are broken down into the following categories:

- On Campus Property (includes Residential Facilities)
- Non-Campus Property
- Public Property

(De nitions for these categories can be viewed by visiting https://www.clerycenter.org)

NOTE: SMU will not necessarily issue timely warnings for every Clery Act criminal incident that is reported since that speci c incident may not pose a continuing threat to the community. Certain Clery Act crimes like motor vehicle theft, for example, occur infrequently on the campus at random locations. Suspect information is often never provided or determined. is is also true of the Dallas/Ft Worth area. Individuals should exercise due care and caution to avoid being victimized. Check out the crime prevention tips posted by the SMU Police to deter these crimes or attend a crime prevention brie ng.

CRIME ALERT (O Campus)

SMU may post a Crime Alert (O Campus) for certain Clery Act crimes occurring outside the patrol jurisdiction of the SMUPD, when timely notication is received by the SMU PD and the o ense is considered to represent a serious or continuing threat to the students and employees of SMU due to the nature of the crime, and/or proximity to the campus

Even though this action is not required by law, SMU strongly believes in supporting the spirit of the Clery Act by informing the community about certain crimes that are reported in the areas immediately surrounding our campus; yet still outside the normal SMU police patrol area.

When are Timely Warnings issued?

In accordance with the published guidelines used to interpret 34 CFR 668(e), the decision to issue a timely warning is made on a case-by-case basis in light of all facts surrounding the crime, including factors such as the nature of the crime, the continuing danger to the community, and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement e orts. Neither the Clery Act nor the Department of Education de nes "timely". e Department of Education has stated the warning should be issued as soon as the pertinent information is available.

Timely warnings may be issued for other o enses not covered by this regulation if a determination is made that the warning will aid in preventing similar o enses from occurring.

How are Timely Warnings issued?

In an e ort to provide timely notice to the SMU community, and in the event of a serious incident which may post an on-going threat to the members of the SMU community, a warning will e method of delivery will be determined on a case-by-case basis, in light of all the facts. be issued. Various methods of delivery will be employed, including email, crime alert posters, text message, voice mail, website, and/or social media to inform students and employees on campus. e alerts are generally written by the Chief of Police or designee and they are distributed to the community by the O ce of Public A airs. Crime Alerts are issued on a case-by-case basis in a manner that will provide noti cation to the campus community about certain reportable criminal incidents that occur e University must believe the criminal incident poses a continuing on or very near the campus. threat to the community and the alert will aid in the prevention of similar crimes in the future. Updates to the SMU community about any particular case resulting in a crime alert may also be distributed in a similar manner listed above. When crime alerts are posted in campus buildings, they are printed on brightly colored paper and posted in the lobby/entrance area of campus building(s) e Daily Campus newspaper will also be asked to print the warning in the next for seven days. available issue. Timely warnings will also be published on the SMU Police Department web page.



SECURITY IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS & COMMONS

Residence Halls & Commons are patrolled regularly by SMU Police O cers. ey perform periodic walk-throughs to ensure building safety and security.

1. Never leave your door open, even if you will be gone for only a few minutes; especially, never leave a door propped open. Always lock doors, screens and windows to prevent uninvited access to your room.

2. Don't mark your room key or key chain with your name, address, or telephone number.

- 3. Do not give anyone a key to your room.
- 4. Do not leave valuables in plain sight.
- 5. Never let strangers into your hall. is puts you and others at risk.

6. Be aware of suspicious persons and activities. If you observe someone or something suspicious, notify the hall sta and the SMU PD at 214-768-3333.

NOTE: Calls to 911 from cellular telephones will be answered by the Dallas Police or the University Park Police. Students using cell phones should tell the 911 Operator they are calling from the SMU campus and need to speak to the SMU Police Department. e 911 Operator will immediately transfer the call to SMU.



STUDENT APPEALS AND COMPLAINTS

At SMU, various policies re ect the SMU community's collective judgment about the academic, disciplinary, and academic honesty policies and procedures that best serve the interests of students and the overall academic community. Students sometimes might seek waiver of, deviation from, or appeal of these policies or applications of these policies. is page gives the links to the procedures for di erent types of student appeals or complaints available to undergraduates at SMU.

Undergraduate Student Academic Petition

https://smu.edu/Provost/Pages/Default/AboutO ce/Committees

Appeal of Grade

https://smu.edu/catalogs

Honor Code

https://www.smu.edu/StudentA_airs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook/HonorCode

Code of Conduct

https://www.smu.edu/StudentA_airs/StudentLife/StudentHandbook/ConductCode

Academic Grievance and Appeals Procedures for Students with Disabilities

https://smu.edu/Provost/SASP/DASS/DisabilityAccommodations/

AppealsandGrievances

Appeal from nancial aid decisions, including nancial aid decisions based on lack of satisfactory academic progress

https://smu.edu/EnrollmentServices/FinancialAid/

TypesOfAid/SatisfactoryAcademicProgressRequirements/

Discrimination or violation of rights

FEDERAL LAW & CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

e Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) is a federal law that provides students the right to inspect and review education records, the right to seek to amend those records and to limit disclosure of information from the records. e intent of the statute is to protect the rights of students and to ensure the privacy and accuracy of education records.

e *Act* and regulations are very lengthy, and for that reason SMU has issued guidelines that are available at the University Registrar's FERPA website (https://smu.edu/FERPA).

Although there are a number of exceptions, as a general rule, SMU will not disclose to third parties personally identi able information from a student's education records without the student's written consent. Among the exceptions to the general rule are these selected examples: (1) Information de ned by SMU as directory information may be released unless the student requested through my.SMU Student Homepage that it be withheld; (2) information authorized by student through my.SMU Student Homepage may be released to those individuals designated by the student; and 3) information may be released to a parent or guardian if the student is claimed as a dependent for income tax purposes on the parent's or guardian's most recent federal income tax return. For more information, visit <u>https://smu.edu/FERPA</u>.

If you wish to release or restrict access to your records, you must make the request through the Release of Education Records feature in my.SMU Student Homepage. All SMU students are considered adults and must authorize release of all records to anyone, including parents. Students have the ability through my.SMU Student Homepage to grant parents or other individuals view access to parts or all of their education records. More information on this feature is available at https://www.smu.edu/FERPA/students. For one-time access, students may ll out a form if they want their information released to a speci ed third party. e consent to release to speci ed third party form is available at https://www.smu.edu/

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SMU STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

https://www.smu.edu/LegalDisclosures/Nondiscrimination

Southern Methodist University (SMU) will not discriminate in any employment practice, education program, education activity, or admissions on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status. SMU's commitment to equal opportunity includes nondiscrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity and expression. e Executive Director for Access and Equity/Title IX¹ Coordinator is designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies,

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT POLICIES, PREVENTION & RESOURCES

Sexual misconduct is prohibited by SMU's Title IX Harassment Policy and the federal law Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. SMU's policy is online in the University Policy Manual, <u>https://www.smu.edu/policy</u>, and on the O ce of Institutional Access and Equity website, <u>https://www.smu.edu/IAE</u>.

Sexual misconduct encompasses all forms of sexual harassment, including gender-based harassment, sexual violence, sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking and sexual exploitation. Sexual misconduct will not be tolerated in our University community. Students found responsible for sexual misconduct face disciplinary sanctions up to and including expulsion from the University.

In the event that a student experiences sexual misconduct, SMU has policies, procedures and resources in place to provide support. SMU resources available to students include SMU Police, the SMU Title IX Coordinator and deputy Title IX Coordinators, con dential counselors and the O ce of Violence Prevention and Support Services.

While much of the following information focuses on resources and procedures in cases of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking, resources are available in all cases of sexual misconduct. For more information, contact SMU's Title IX Coordinator in the O ce of Institutional Access and Equity; 214-768-3601 or email <u>accessequity@smu.edu</u>.

Sexual misconduct is a serious issue at colleges and universities across the country. SMU takes seriously its obligations under Title IX, which requires colleges and universities to investigate allegations of sexual misconduct and to have internal grievance procedures to of s While mucitut0.6 (3fa)-3 (1)-3 (201)-3 (2,)-3 ()10 (4v)6 (e(ent s)0.5 (td6 (ent)0.6 (t)-3 (

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Seek medical care and preserve evidence.

Victims of sexual assault are urged to obtain medical care and a sexual assault exam that preserves forensic evidence as soon as possible. Time is of the essence because certain types of evidence can dissipate or become unavailable.

If victims do not opt for forensic evidence collection, health care providers still can treat injuries and take steps to address concerns of pregnancy and/or sexually transmitted diseases. Obtaining a forensic exam does not require a person to le a police report, but it will help preserve evidence in case he or she decides at a later date to do so.

To preserve evidence before obtaining a sexual assault exam: Do not change clothes, bathe, shower or douche; do not eat, drink or use toothpaste or mouthwash; do not wash clothing, bed sheets, pillows or other potential evidence.

Where to go for a forensic exam

- At Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas, 8200 Walnut Hill Lane, a certi ed Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) will provide medical care and a sexual assault exam; call 214-345-6203 or visit <u>https://texashealth.org/DallasSane</u>.
- e Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center (DARCC) is a community resource that provides con dential counseling and can assist students at Texas Health; call 972-641-7273 (available 24/7) or visit <u>https://www.dallasrapecrisis.org</u>.
- SMU Police o cers, who are trained in sexual misconduct issues, are available to transport and accompany students to the hospital; call 214-768-3333. O cers will not be present during the exam. Students may bring a friend or family member for support. Please note that if asked to provide transport, SMU Police will le a police report; see "**Reporting to Police and Pursuing Criminal Charges**" for more information.
- A con dential counselor in SMU Counseling Services who specializes in sexual misconduct issues also can accompany students to the hospital. Call 214-768-2277 (an emergency contact number is provided at all hours), or SMU Police can contact Counseling Services for students.

In addition to Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas, other area hospitals that have health care professionals authorized to perform medical/legal examinations are:

Parkland Hospital, 5201 Harry Hines Blvd. Main phone, 214-590-8000 Victim Intervention Program/Rape Crisis Center, 214-590-0430 or <u>https://www.parklandhospital.com/vip-rape-crisis-center</u>

Methodist Dallas Medical Center, 1441 N. Beckley Ave. Main phone, 214-947-8181 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE), 214-947-8181 or https://www.methodisthealthsystem.org/sane-program

Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Plano, 6200 W. Parker Road Emergency room, 972-981-8003

https://www.texashealth.org/plano/services/emergency-department/sexual-assaultnurse-examiners-program



For con dential counseling

SMU Counseling Services provides con dential counseling and assistance from counselors who specialize in sexual misconduct issues. Call 214-768-2277; an emergency contact number is provided at all hours.

e SMU Chaplain's O ce also provides con dential counseling; call 214-768-4502.

A community resource, the Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center (DARCC), provides con dential counseling and other assistance; call 972-641-7273 (available 24/7) or visit <u>https://www.dallasrapecrisis.org</u>.

Academic and Campus Assistance

SMU also can assist victims by providing no contact orders, letters to professors requesting leniency, escort and transportation services, classroom and housing accommodations, assistance ling protective orders through the district attorney's o ce and assistance contacting local law enforcement if the sexual assault occurred o campus.

For more information, contact SMU's Title IX Coordinator, 214-768-3601, or email <u>accessequity@smu.edu</u>. You also may contact the O ce of Violence Prevention and Support Services, 214-768-4512 or email <u>preventviolence@smu.edu</u>.

Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, or Stalking

As in cases of sexual assault, the rst priority for victims of dating violence or domestic violence is to get to a place of safety and obtain medical attention and a forensic exam that preserves evidence. Victims of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking also are urged to contact police as soon as possible. Victims of violence or stalking also should save evidence such as any letters, emails, phone calls, videos, photos, texts, social media postings, computer screenshots, voicemails or other evidence that may be helpful in obtaining a protective order or pursuing criminal charges.

In addition to the SMU resources listed above, community and national resources include:

- Genesis Women's Shelter in Dallas, 214-946-4357 or https://ww.genesisshelter.org
- e Family Place in Dallas, 214-941-1991 or <u>https://www.familyplace.org</u>
- Texas Council on Family Violence, 512-794-1133 or https://www.tcfv.org
- National Domestic Violence Hotline, 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
- Stalking Resource Center, 855-4-VICTIM (855-484-2846)

or https://www.victimsofcrime.org

THE CRIMINAL PROCESS AND SMU GRIEVANCE PROCESS

Students reporting sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking have the right to choose to pursue a criminal process, an SMU internal grievance process or both processes. Students also may choose not to le a grievance or pursue criminal charges.

e internal grievance process and the criminal process, which are independent of each other, can be pursued at the same time. Please see the following sections for more information.

Reporting to Police and Pursuing Criminal Charges

SMU urges anyone who has experienced sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking to alert police as soon as possible. SMU campus authorities can provide assistance in notifying law enforcement authorities, at the victim's request.

On campus, SMU Police can be reached at 911 from a campus phone; at 214-768-3333 from a cell phone; or by picking up a blue-light phone on campus at any time of day or night.

In the case of an o -campus incident,



SMU Police keep a copy of protective orders on le. SMU honors protective orders and complies with the state laws regarding protective orders. If a protective order is violated, the protected person should call police immediately. For more information, call SMU Police at 214-768-3333.

Protecting Information

In accordance with the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 57, victims may use a pseudonym to protect their identity. A pseudonym is a set of initials or a ctitious name chosen by the victim to be used in all public les and records concerning the alleged o ense.

SMU will not include a victim's personally identifying information in any publicly available recordkeeping, including Clery Act reporting and disclosures such as the annual security report and the daily crime log. In some cases, SMU may need to disclose some information about a victim to a third party to provide necessary accommodations or protective measures in a timely manner.

REPORTING TO THE SMU TITLE IX COORDINATOR AND PURSUING AN INTERNAL GRIEVANCE PROCESS

A student who reports sexual misconduct - including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking – may le a complaint under the University's Title IX Harassment Policy with the SMU Title IX Coordinator in the O ce of Institutional Access and Equity. e policy is online in the University Policy Manual, https://smu.edu/policy, and on the

Sanctions for Sexual Misconduct

When a student is found responsible for violating the Title IX Harassment Policy, a Sanctioning Panel imposes disciplinary sanctions. e Sanctioning Panel members are the director of the O ce of Student Conduct and Community Standards or his or her designee; a deputy Title IX coordinator; and an SMU student, all of whom have participated in Title IX training. e Sanctioning Panel may impose one or more of the following sanctions in addition to educational sanctions including but not limited to training, re ection exercises, research papers and community service:

Expulsion: An individual or group will be separated from the University on a permanent basis. An individual's expulsion will be permanently recorded on his or her academic transcript. Before this sanction is enforced, the president of the University will review it. A student expelled from the University may not enter campus grounds for any reason without the express written permission from the O ce of the Dean of Students. A student expelled from the University will not receive a refund of any monies paid, including tuition, fees, and room and board.

Suspension: An individual or group will be dismissed from the University for an assigned time period and under the conditions deemed necessary by the Sanctioning Panel. A student suspended from the University may not enter campus grounds for any reason during the period of her/his suspension without the express written permission from the O ce of the Dean of Students. A student suspended from the University before an academic semester ends will not receive a refund of any monies paid, including tuition, fees, and room and board. No academic credit earned during the period of suspension at any other institution may be transferred to SMU. A disciplinary suspension and its e ective dates are recorded on a student's academic transcript. e notation remains for the time the student is enrolled



manages University policies, procedures and programs of equal opportunity, diversity and a rmative action. e o ce serves SMU students, employees, applicants and visitors. SMU's prohibition against discrimination, including on the basis of sex, includes any employment practice, education program or educational activity.

SMU's Title IX Coordinator and deputy coordinators are available to assist students who have questions or concerns regarding sexual misconduct or who wish to le an internal complaint under the University's Title IX Harassment Policy. e coordinator and deputies also can provide students with information about SMU and community resources. Please feel free to contact any of the following SMU employees for assistance. Deputies serve campus-wide; their departments and schools are listed for informational purposes only.

SMU Title IX Coordinator

• Samantha omas, O ce of Institutional Access and Equity 214-768-3601 or **thomassa@smu.edu**

SMU Deputy Title IX Coordinators

- Denise Gauthier, O ce of Institutional Access and Equity 214-768-3601 or **dgauthier@smu.edu**
- Jasper Chieng, O ce of Institutional Access and Equity 214-768-3601 or jchieng@smu.edu
- Steve Yeager, Dedman School of Law 214-768-4178 or sveager@smu.edu
- Gri n Sharp, O ce for Community Health Promotion, Student A airs 214-768-2393 or <u>gksharp@smu.edu</u>
- Susan Vollmerhausen, Athletics

214-768-4202 or vollmerhause@smu.edu

- Bonnie Hainline, Intramurals/Sport Clubs, Student A airs
 - 214-768-3367 or bhainline@smu.edu

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT EDUCATION AND PREVENTION

SMU's O ce of Violence Prevention and Support Services (214-768-4512), the Women & LGBT Center (214-768-4792) and Counseling Services (214-768-2277) coordinate and



Campus security

SMU Police o cers are sworn police o cers, licensed by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement, who have the responsibility and duty to enforce campus regulations and all local, state and federal laws.

SMU Police patrol campus 24 hours a day, seven days a week. e department coordinates actions with neighboring agencies and criminal investigations with the Dallas County District Attorney's O ce. Emergency blue-light phones across campus connect directly to SMU Police. SMU Police provide crime prevention education and self-defense training; call 214-768-3333.

SMU urges students to use a safety escort. SMU Safety Escort by Tapride o ers free rides on campus from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. during the fall and spring terms when classes are in session; download the app and learn more at <u>https://www.smu.edu/BusinessFinance/</u> <u>CampusServices/ParkingAndIDCardServices/parkingservices/TapRide</u>.

SMU Police are also available to provide secure rides on campus; call 214-768-3388. SMU Rides provides rides o and on campus 24 hours a day; the full cost of the ride is charged to the student's SMU account; call 214-768-7433 (RIDE).

Crime reports

SMU Police maintain a daily crime log, which is available online at <u>https://www.smu.</u> <u>edu/police</u> and to the public for review during business hours, at the dispatch window at Patterson Hall, 3128 Dyer Street.

SMU's Annual Security and Fire Safety Report, posted online at <u>https://www.smu.edu/</u> <u>cleryreport</u>, includes reported crimes for the previous three years.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT DEFINITIONS AND EXAMPLES De nitions

Consent: Voluntary, clear, continuous, mutually understandable permission, given by words or actions, regarding one's willingness to engage in sexual activity. A sexual interaction is considered consensual when individuals willingly and knowingly engage in the interaction.

Dating violence: Vn Dat



in the same circumstances from opposing practices prohibited by the Title IX Harassment Policy. Any individual or group of individuals engaging in retaliation can be held responsible. Examples of conduct which may be retaliation include, but are not limited to:

- threats of harm to an individual or the individual's property
- forcing or pressuring an individual to take time o from school or work
- pressuring an individual to refrain from talking to the media
- removing an individual from sports teams or other extracurricular activities for reporting Title IX harassment
- unreasonably failing to accommodate an individual's housing or academic needs
- terminating, demoting, reassigning or denying bene ts to an employee

Sex discrimination: Giving preferential treatment to one gender to the disadvantage of the other because of his or her gender. It may occur also when policies or practices are facially neutral, but have a disproportionately adverse impact on a particular gender when applied.

Sexual assault (nonconsensual sexual contact): Any intentional sexual touching, however slight, with any object, by a man or woman upon a man or woman that is without consent and/or by force. Sexual contact includes: intentional contact with the breasts, buttock, groin or genitals, or touching another with any of these body parts, or making another touch you or themselves with or on any of these body parts; any intentional bodily contact in a sexual manner, though not involving contact with/of/by breasts, buttocks, groin, mouth or other ori ce.

Sexual assault (nonconsensual sexual intercourse): Any sexual intercourse, however slight, with any object, by a man or woman upon a man or woman that is without consent and/or by force. Intercourse includes: vaginal penetration by a penis, object, tongue or nger; anal penetration by a penis, object, tongue or nger; or oral copulation (mouth to genital contact or genital to mouth contact), no matter how slight the penetration or contact.

Sexual exploitation: Occurs when a student takes nonconsensual or abusive sexual advantage of another for his/her own advantage or bene t, or to bene t or advantage anyone other than the one being exploited, and that behavior does not otherwise constitute one of the other sexual misconduct o enses.

Sexual harassment: A form of sex discrimination that means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- a. submission to such conduct is made either an explicit or an implicit term or condition of an individual's employment, academic evaluation or advancement, or status in a course, program or activity of the University;
- b. submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as a basis for academic or employment decisions a ecting such individual; or
- c. such conduct has the purpose or e ect of creating an intimidating, hostile or o ensive working or academic environment or unduly interfering with an individual's work or academic performance. For purposes of the Title IX Harassment Policy, "undue interference" is de ned as improper, unreasonable or unjusti able behavior going beyond what is appropriate, warranted or natural.

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Sexual harassment includes two categories:

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Sexual misconduct: Includes sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, sexual violence, sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking and sexual exploitation.

Sexual violence: A physical sexual act perpetrated against a person's will or where a victim is incapable of giving consent due to his or her use of drugs or alcohol. An individual also may be unable to give consent due to an intellectual or other disability. A number of di erent acts fall into the category of sexual violence, including rape, sexual assault, sexual battery, and sexual coercion. All such acts of sexual violence are forms of sexual harassment prohibited by Title IX and the University's Title IX Harassment Policy.

Stalking: Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a speci c person that would cause a reasonable person to:



A licensed substance abuse counselor is available to assist SMU students who may be "at risk" or struggling with alcohol or other drug problems. is counselor provides assessment, intervention, referral, short-term counseling, as well as on-going support for recovering students. Sessions with the licensed counselor are con dential and no information is released without written consent of the student.

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Alcohol: A) e Student Code of Conduct prohibits possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in public places on campus. B) e University strictly enforces city and state law and prohibits the possession and consumption of alcohol by those younger than 21.

Controlled substances (drugs): e Student Code of Conduct requires that all students be in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws regarding controlled substances including prohibition of their use, sale, possession, or manufacture.

HEALTH RISKS OF ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

Alcohol: a) Acts as a depressant, a ects mood, dulls the senses, and impairs coordination,

- re exes, memory, and judgment
- b) More serious e ects may be damage to the liver, kidneys, pancreas and brain.
- c) It is the leading cause of death among people ages 15-24.
- d) On average, heavy drinkers shorten their lives by approximately 10 years.
- e) Overdose can be fatal

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Personal Risks of Alcohol and Drug Use:

- · Possible death or injury
- Academic problems
- Assault / Sexual abuse
- Unsafe sex
- Property damage
- Legal / Police involvement
- Health problems
- Addiction / Dependence

SMU SANCTIONS

When the standards of conduct regarding alcohol and drugs are violated, SMU will impose, at a minimum, the following sanctions:

Alcohol: A minimum of a \$100 ne. Additional sanctions will be assigned as deemed necessary by the appropriate conduct o cer or conduct board. Additional sanctions may include, but are not limited to, noti cation of parents and referral to an Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention counselor in the SMU Health Center. (See e University Conduct Review Process section).

Drugs (illicit): Sanctions will be imposed by the appropriate conduct o cer or conduct board. Possible sanctions include, but are not limited to: a ne of \$500, noti cation of parents, drug testing, suspension, or expulsion. (See e University Conduct Review Process section).

LEGAL SANCTIONS

Alcohol: Minors convicted in the criminal court system of possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages may be subject to nes, suspension of drivers license, community service and a mandatory alcohol education class. Convictions for providing to minors may subject individuals to nes and a jail term of up to one year. Convictions for driving while intoxicated may subject individuals to up to \$2000 in nes and a jail term of up to six months for a rst o ense. Fines and jail terms escalate after the rst conviction.

Controlled substances (drugs): Sanctions upon conviction in the criminal court system for possession, distribution, or manufacture of controlled substances range from nes to probation to imprisonment. Amount of nes, terms of probation, or years of imprisonment generally are contingent upon the circumstances and amounts of drugs in possession, sale, distribution, or manufacture.

SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY

An Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention counselor will provide students with a condential source of help and information when confronted with alcohol or drug abuse or addiction issues; promote activities and programs with student support to focus campus attention on the problem of alcohol and drug abuse and help the student body claim ownership of alcohol and drug problems on campus and take charge of identifying solutions.

e following services are o ered:

- 1) ASSESSMENT: Counselors assess student problems with alcohol and other drugs, which may range from misuse to abuse to addiction.
- 2) INTERVENTION: By working with friends, family, faculty and sta , counselors will reach out to students in trouble and provide access to appropriate help.
- 3) SHORT-TERM COUNSELING: As appropriate to the situation.



- 4) REFERRAL/AFTER-CARE: Based on assessment, counselors will assist students in nding specialized care.
- 5) CAMPUS AWARENESS: Counselors work with student organizations to coordinate projects to focus attention on the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse and the problems of dependency.
- 6) SUPPORT GROUPS: Counselors support self-help groups and refer students to a wide range of support groups in the community, as dictated by the needs of the individual. An on-campus SMU Student Recovery Support Group is available as well as o -campus AA meetings and other 12-step groups.
- 7) EDUCATION: Presentations are given about alcohol and other drugs, chemical dependency and substance abuse topics. Counselors utilize social norms marketing to correct student misperceptions about alcohol use.
- 8) TRAINING: Students, faculty and sta are trained to deal with others they believe may have a substance abuse or dependency problem.
- 9) PEER EDUCATORS: SMU supports a peer education program in which students provide prevention education on campus and in the surrounding community.
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