

# Section I: Scope, Limitations, and Applicability of the Code

The Code applies to any and all behavior occurring on any University property, at any University sponsored event, both on and off campus and at off-campus events hosted by individual students, student groups or organizations. It also applies to a number of other situations occurring off-campus including, but not limited to, incidents that involve students and occur at institutions that are part of the Washington Metropolitan Area Consortium of Universities and incidents that occur within the neighboring communities.

The actual daily administration, enforcement and operation of the University's judicial program are delegated to the Director of Student Conduct & Community Standards. This Code does not address academic offenses. Academic offenses will be addressed by the Dean of the appropriate school or college and/or the Provost and Chief Academic Officer. However, academic offenses may also be violations of the Code. In these instances, the Dean of the appropriate school or college and/or the Provost may recommend that the student also be adjudicated under the procedures set forth in the Code.

Any student who has committed a violation of the Code while off-campus will be subject to the judicial process upon receipt of either the filing of a complaint through submission of an Allegation of an Off-Campus Violation of the Howard University Student Code of Conduct form or referral of a student by a member of the University administration. The Allegation of an Off-Campus Violation of the Howard University Student Code of Conduct form may be obtained from the Director of Off-Campus Housing and Community Engagement or the Director of Student Conduct & Community Standards in the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards (OSC). After review of the form or receipt of the student referral, the Director of Student Conduct & Community Standards will determine its appropriateness for university disciplinary action. Examples of off-campus matters that would typically be excluded from resolution under the Code are landlord/tenant disputes, certain personal business matters with off-campus entities, and non-violent domestic issues.

Depending on the severity or nature of the charge, students who violate the Code are subject to a wide range of disciplinary actions, up to and including suspension or expulsion; they may also be barred from all University-owned and operated property and all University-sponsored events and activities.

The consequences are serious for students who are charged and/or found guilty of misconduct under this Code. Therefore, any member of the University Community who knowingly and/or willfully misuses the procedures of the Code to harm another member of the University Community shall be subject to disciplinary action.

The University may also take disciplinary action against any student convicted of, or charged with, a felony or misdemeanor, as delineated in Section V under the section pertaining to Students Charged with or Convicted of a Criminal Act. In the event a student is arrested for a felony or misdemeanor charge, it is the responsibility of that student to immediately inform the University's Associate Vice President for Student Affairs of the arrest. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion.