

NURSING STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS

The freedom to teach and the freedom to learn are inseparable facets of academic freedom. Students exercise their freedom with responsibility as defined by College policies.

As citizens and members of an academic community, students are subject to the obligations that are acquired by virtue of their membership and should enjoy the same freedom of citizenship.

- Students shall be encouraged to develop the capacity for critical judgment and engage in a sustained and independent search for knowledge.
- The College has established policies and procedures that provide and safeguard students' freedom to learn.
- Students shall be free to take reasoned exception in an informed, professional manner to the data or views offered in any course of study and to reserve judgment about matters of opinion, but they are responsible for learning the content of any enrolled course of study.
- Students are responsible for maintaining the standards of academic performance established in each course and shall have protection through orderly procedures against prejudiced or capricious academic evaluation.
- Information about students' views, beliefs, political ideation, legal status, United States citizenship status, sexual orientation, or other personal information which instructors acquire, is considered confidential and not released without the knowledge or consent of the student and is not used as an element of evaluation.
- Students provide input on the construction, delivery, and evaluation of curriculum, admission, and graduation, as student representatives in College Governance, School of Nursing Curriculum, Admissions/Promotions, Grievance Committees, and by providing input on course evaluations.
- The College shall have a policy regarding the information contained in students' permanent educational record, and the conditions of disclosure of such records.
- The student body shall have clearly defined means to participate in the formation and application of School policy affecting academic and student affairs.
- The College has an obligation to clarify those standards of behavior that it considers essential to its educational mission and community life.
- Disciplinary proceedings shall be instituted for violations of the established standards of conduct formulated with student participation and published in advance in the College catalog. It is the responsibility of the student to know these standards of conduct.
- Adequate safety precautions shall be provided by the College and will be as stated in the College Catalog.
- Students shall have the right to review and discuss the grading system with the course instructor for clarification.

Reference:

National Student Nurses Association: Bill of Rights and Responsibilities for Students of Nursing ([2020](#))