



MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

Office of the Dean of Students Red Hawk **Standards**

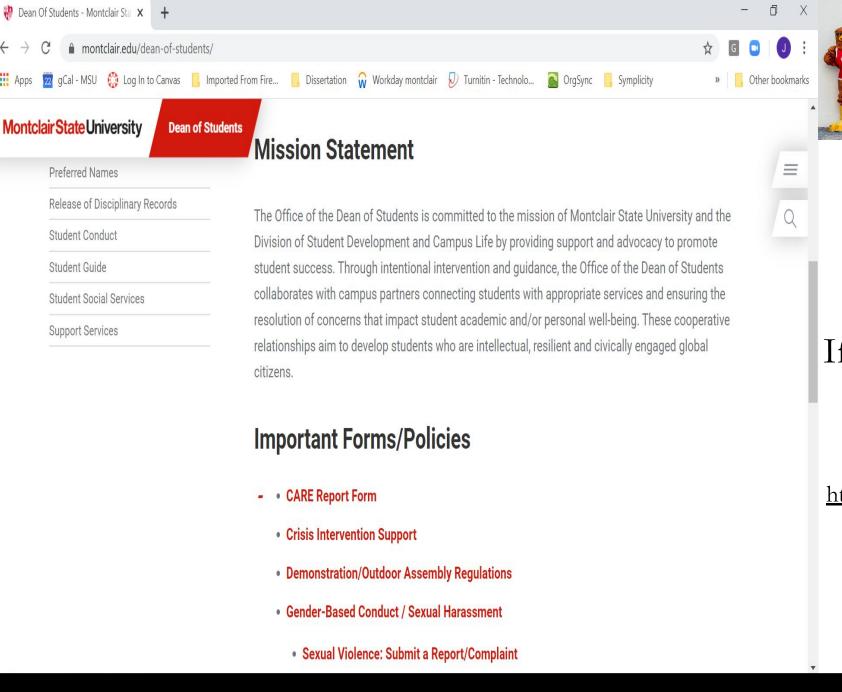
> Summer 2020 Family Orientation



Welcome To MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY!!!!

Did you know?

Montclair State University became the Red Hawks in 1989 and in 2001, 'Rocky" was named as our school mascot. We even have a Team Rocky who get to work with Rocky throughout campus





The Office of the Dean of Students is here to help your student.

If they need assistance, direct them to the DOS,
College Hall Suite 348

https://www.montclair.edu/dean-of-students/





Please remind your student to review the University Code of Conduct located at:

https://www.montclair.edu/policies/all-policies/code-of-conduct/



No soft kitty tonight just read me the Code of Conduct



Quick review of Canvas (that your student sees):

- Use "Preponderance" as standard of evidence.
- If in presence or aid in violation, can be held accountable via "Complicity".
- Communication will come via University email.
- Policies apply on- and off-campus.
- We have University Police, not security.



Conduct v. Legal/K-12:

■The Conduct Process is the University's educational discipline process. It is not not a criminal/legal process

■While your student may face criminal charges stemming from an incident, they most likely will face University charges. This is not "double-jeopardy" since it is not two criminal processes.

Legal/criminal outcome does not affect outcome of conduct process. If a student is found not guilty in court, it does not equal that they will be found not responsible in the conduct process (or vice-versa). In addition, the University conduct process does not wait for the outcome of a legal process.

Manifest determination—for those parents with students with disabilities, if your student's behavior violates policy, the student will be held accountable via conduct (we encourage connecting with the Disability Resource Center).



Quick review of Policies

(see CANVAS and Code for more details):

Alcohol

Only allowed in Village Apartments and only for 21+.

Drugs

- Not allowed.
- Distribution (intent) = Expulsion
- Possession = Loss of housing.

Medical Amnesty

When someone needs help, be a good Red Hawk and call for them so that they may receive Amnesty.



Quick review of Policies

(see CANVAS and Code for more details):

Academic Dishonesty

Intentional or otherwise, still can be a violation, regardless of amount.

Classroom Behavior

Faculty can remove students from their classes if students fail to abide by their instructions.

Smoking

Effective September 2020, smoking (including electronic/vaping/Juuls/Hookah) is not allowed on campus.



Quick review of Policies

(see CANVAS and Code for more details):

Residence Halls/Fire Safety

- Students will be held accountable for their guests.
- Tampering with fire safety will result in loss of housing.

Threat or Infliction of Bodily Harm

No fighting allowed.

Weapons

Not allowed (imitation or real will lead to removal from University).



Title IX

A federal statute that prohibits sex discrimination in educational institutions receiving federal financial assistance.

Title IX Prohibits:

Sexual harassment (attempted or actual)
Sexual violence (attempted or actual): rape,
sexual assault, sexual contact, sexual coercion,
stalking, and intimate/domestic partner violence

All student-on-student reports of actual or attempted sexual misconduct should be directed to the University Deputy Title IX Coordinator: Dean Yolanda Alvarez alvarezyo@mail.montclair.edu

Title IX Reporting Portal (can also be accessed off of Dean of Students' website)

https://montclair-advocate.symplicity.com/titleix_report/



Quick review of Sanctions

(see CANVAS and Code for more details):

Only outcomes with "sanctions" are reportable for records' check.

University Warning

• University Probation



• <u>University Suspension</u>

1-2 semesters/Transcript Notation/NO REFUND

• University Expulsion

Permanent/Transcript Notation/NO REFUND



FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, commonly referred to as FERPA, is a federal law that is designed to protect the privacy of and limit access to the educational records of students. In short, all educational records are strictly *the student's* business unless the student gives a third party the right to this information in writing.

The University holds that without a waiver signed by student, an administrator is not able to speak on any incident involving the student with another party. If the parent/guardian/etc... is allowed, the University determines what is allowed. *Speaking does not mean "negotiate an outcome"*.

There are no "blanket" waivers. A new waiver would be required for each individual incident.



Need to know....

Regulations/Requirements due to COVID-19

Students will receive communication regarding requirements for on-campus safety.

This may entail:

- Social Distancing
- Masks (covering nose & mouth)
- # of students in classes
- # of students in housing
- Dining locations

Students who do not comply with requirements may be subject to disciplinary action.



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Ignorance is not an excuse. If your student is unsure if they can have/do something, again.... ASK SOMEONE. Remember, as both adults and students, it is your student's responsibility to know the policies so that they have a fulfilling experience during their years at Montclair State University.

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