

activity. For purposes of this policy, the term “animal” includes any wild or domesticated, warm-blooded or cold-blooded animal.

Bridge Painting

The bridge on Campus Drive is a place where groups and individuals from Duke can express opinions that are not restricted by content, except by legal standards. The bridge will not be censored for content by the university. As part of a campus maintenance program, the entire bridge may be painted during the summer and semester break. Students are reminded that painting other university property without permission is prohibited. Any group or individual identified as being responsible for painting anything other than the bridge will be charged for clean up and may also be subject to disciplinary action.

Classroom Disruption

Students who behave in the classroom in such a way that the educational experiences of other students and/or the instructor’s course objectives are disrupted are subject to disciplinary action, including possible exclusion from a course. Such behavior impedes students’ ability to learn or an instructor’s ability to teach. Disruptive behavior may include, but is not limited to: non-approved use of electronic devices (including cellular telephones); cursing or shouting at others in such a way as to be disruptive; or, other violations of an instructor’s expectations for classroom conduct.

Computing and Electronic Communications

Security and Privacy

The purpose of this policy is to establish and promote the ethical, legal, and secure use of computing and electronic communications for all members of the university community.

The university cherishes freedom of expression, the diversity of values and perspectives inherent in an academic institution, the right to acknowledgment, and the value of privacy for all members of the Duke community. At the same time, the university may find it necessary to access and disclose information from computer and network users’ accounts to the extent required by law, to uphold contractual obligations or other applicable university policies, or to diagnose and correct technical problems. For this reason, the ultimate privacy of messages and files cannot be ensured. In addition, system failures may lead to loss of data, so users should not assume that their messages and files are secure.

Neither the university nor its agents restrict the content of material transported across its networks. While the university does not position itself as a censor, it reserves the right to limit access to its networks or to remove material stored or posted on university computers when applicable university policies, contractual obligations, or state or federal laws are violated. Alleged violations will receive the same academic due process as any other alleged violation of university policy, contractual obligations, or state or federal laws.

Acceptable Use

In making acceptable use of resources you must:

- Use resources only for authorized purposes.
- Protect your userid and system from unauthorized use. You are responsible for all activities on your userid or that originate from your system. Your userid and password act together as your electronic signature.
- Access only information that is your own, that is publicly available, or to which you have been given authorized access.
- Use only legal versions of copyrighted software in compliance with vendor license requirements.
- Be considerate in your use of shared resources. Refrain from monopolizing systems, overloading networks with excessive data, degrading services, or wasting computer time, connection time, disk space, printer paper, manuals, or other resources.

In making acceptable use of resources you must not:

- Use another person’s system, files, or data without permission (note that permission from an individual user may not be sufficient—some systems may require additional authority).
- Give your password to another person. Contact the OIT Help Desk if you need assistance with giving other people authority to access your files or e-mail.
- Use computer programs to decode passwords or access-control information.
- Attempt to circumvent or subvert system or network security measures.
- Engage in any activity that might be purposefully harmful to systems or to any information stored thereon, such as creating or propagating viruses, worms, or “Trojan horse” programs; disrupting services; damaging files; or making unauthorized modifications to university data.
- Make or use illegal copies of copyrighted software or other copyrighted works, store such copies on university systems, or transmit them over university networks.
- Use mail or messaging services to harass or intimidate another person, for example, by broadcasting

unsolicited messages, by repeatedly sending unwanted mail, or by using someone else's name or userid.

- Waste shared computing or network resources, for example, by intentionally placing a program in an endless loop, printing excessive amounts of paper, or by sending chain letters or unsolicited mass mailings.
- Use the university's systems or networks for commercial purposes; for example, by selling access to your userid or by performing work for profit with university resources in a manner not authorized by the university.
- The above list only addresses some of the most common issues that arise with regard to computing. All prohibitions found in applicable law and other university policies also apply to the computer systems.

Group E-mail

Large-scale e-mail communications within groups or units, including surveys, announcements, etc., require the implicit or explicit prior approval of that group or unit. In the case of such communications from outside the unit, the approval must always be explicit. See the OIT Web site for full information (<http://www.oit.duke.edu/group-email/>).

Note that the above computing policies are subject to change. See <http://www.oit.duke.edu/oit/policy> for current policies.

Disorderly Conduct

Disorderly conduct is contrary to the mission of the university and will be addressed through the disciplinary process. Disorderly conduct is defined as:

- any unreasonable or reckless conduct that is inherently or potentially unsafe to other persons or their real or personal property; and/or
- any behavior that disrupts the peace or interferes with the normal operation of the university or university-sponsored activities.

Disorderly conduct includes, but is not limited to: reckless driving; interrupting or interfering with the carrying out of the duties of a university or public official, including law enforcement; vomiting and/or urinating in public; and, indecent exposure.

Drugs and Drug Paraphernalia

Duke University prohibits members of its community to manufacture, sell, deliver, possess, use, or be under the influence of a controlled substance without legal authorization. A controlled substance includes any drug, substance or immediate precursor covered under the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act, including but not limited to opiates, barbiturates, amphetamines, marijuana, and hallucinogens.

The possession of drug paraphernalia is also prohibited under North Carolina state law and university policy. Drug paraphernalia includes all equipment, products and material of any kind that are used to facilitate, or intended or designed to facilitate, violations of the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act.

In addition to disciplinary action, the judicial officer, or designee, may require a student to take a leave of absence, and return to campus may be conditional upon proof of completion of a substance abuse treatment program.

(See "Appendix E, Information and Resources Concerning Substance Use.")

DukeCard

As stated on the back of the DukeCard, the card "should be carried at all times and presented upon request to any university official. [It] is not transferable. The transfer of an ID card to another person, or the possession of another person's ID card, may result in confiscation of the card and judicial action."

Failure to Comply

A student may be held accountable for failure to comply with:

- directions, requests, or orders of any university representative or body acting in an official capacity, or impeding with the carrying out of such directives;
- instructions of law enforcement officials acting in an official capacity; and/or
- sanctions rendered during the disciplinary process (including sanctions issued by a residential staff member).

Falsification/Fraud

Honesty and integrity are critical components of the Duke Community Standard. A student may be subject to disciplinary action for any of the following actions:

- any intentional misrepresentation of fact (by action or concealment), including furnishing false information, to any university official;
- any intentional misrepresentation of fact (by action or concealment) to obtain or attempt to induce another to surrender a right, benefit or property; and/or
- forgery, alteration, or misuse of any official document, record, key, access code or instrument of identification, or possession of such forgery.