2.2 POLICY OVERVIEW AND APPLICABILITY

The Community Standards apply to allegations of misconduct that occurs on campus, at University sponsored events, and to off campus misconduct, including Study Abroad, that may adversely affect the University community or the pursuit of the University’s objectives. Each Student is responsible for their conduct from the time of application for admission through the actual awarding of a degree. The Community Standards apply to a Student’s misconduct even if the Student withdraws from the University while a disciplinary matter is pending. The Vice President for Student Development, or designee has the right to amend or modify the procedural requirements of the Community Standards as appropriate in their sole discretion.

The University reserves the right to initiate action and seek appropriate outcomes for misconduct which is not specifically identified in the Community Standards or in other University policies, rules and regulations whenever in the judgment of the Vice President for Student Development, or their designee, it is determined to be in the best interest of the University. This includes misconduct that occurs off campus, regardless of whether it is named in the University Community Standards.

Investigation and resolution of all allegations involving Community Standards will occur under the general authority of the Office of Student Responsibility and Community Standards, except in circumstances involving allegations of the University’s Title IX Sexual Harassment Policy or Harassment Policy. Investigations and resolution of allegations under the University’s Title IX Sexual Harassment Policy will addressed in the Grievance Procedures outlined in the University’s Title IX Sexual Harassment Policy, located in Section 1.18 of the Student Handbook. Investigations and resolution of allegations under the University’s Harassment Policy will addressed in the procedures outlined in the Harassment Policy, located in Section 1.8 of the Student Handbook.