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RELATIONSHIP CONDUCT POLICY

Please refer to:

<https://www.king.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/relationship-conduct-policy.pdf>.

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King University Mission and Vision

MISSION

We prepare students in our Christian academic community to excel as thoughtful, resourceful, and responsible citizens with a passion for serving God, the Church, and the world.

We accomplish this through excellent teaching, high expectations, worthwhile example, and fidelity to our Presbyterian heritage. Our mission is the same for all campuses and sites; and for online learning; and all programs, curricular and extracurricular, graduate and undergraduate.

VISION

We aim to be the preeminent small to medium-sized Christian university in the Upper South, with a reputation earned there and beyond as a school serious about its Christian commitment, focused on student success, dedicated to academic excellence, and successful in producing graduates who excel wherever they live, work, and serve.

HONOR CODE

On my honor, I pledge to abide by the King University Honor Code: I understand that students of King are to be honest in words and actions and in particular, not to lie, cheat, plagiarize, or steal. I pledge to conduct myself in a manner based on Christian values and to require the same of fellow students. I understand that a violation of this Honor Code may result in my appearance before the Honor Council.

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Students' rights cannot be understood without reference to students' responsibilities.

- Students have the **right** to be in an intentionally Christian community and a **responsibility**, irrespective of their own beliefs, to uphold the values and standards implicit in a Christian community, as articulated in the mission of King University and as defined in this Student Handbook.
- Students have the **right** to a university environment that is conducive to learning and favorable to the pursuit of higher education, and the **responsibility** to foster that environment through the practice of civility in discourse.
- Students have the **right** to free expression and to a university setting free of disturbances to the learning process, and the **responsibility** to help create a disturbance-free learning environment for others by demonstrating mutual respect in their personal attitudes and behavior.

- Students have the **right** to an academically-rigorous course of study, and the **responsibility** to hold themselves to the high academic standards embodied in the Honor Code and the academic requirements determined by individual instructors.
- Students with documented disabilities have the **right** to reasonable and appropriate accommodations and the **responsibility** to follow the procedures set forth for requesting reasonable accommodations and to **responsibly** use the granted accommodations.
- Students have the **right** to be free from unlawful harassment, discrimination, bullying, hazing and violence; the **responsibility** to ensure that their own behavior is not harassing, discriminatory, bullying, or violent; and the **responsibility** to report such behavior by others.
- Students have the **right** to engage in creative works and the **responsibility** to follow the Intellectual Property Rights policy included in this Handbook.
- Students have the **right** to have their grievances against other students or the University heard as set forth in the Student Handbook policies, as well as the **responsibility** to follow the proscribed procedures for those grievances.
- Students have the **right** to be made aware of complaints made against them under the Relationship Conduct Policy or the Student Conduct Process, the **right** to respond to those complaints, and the **responsibility** to cooperate with the processes.
- Students have the **right** to privacy of confidential records in accordance with provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, and the **responsibility** to respect the privacy of others.

INTRODUCTION TO STUDENT HANDBOOK

This Student Handbook is meant to be a guide that explains these, and other, rights and responsibilities. All students enrolled in or attending classes at King University are bound to follow all University policies and procedures, and are subject to the jurisdiction of the University with regard to violations of such policies and procedures. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the policies and procedures in the King University Student Handbook. Students who fail to read this Student Handbook will not be excused from compliance with the policies and requirements herein. Students accept the policies and procedures and agree to be bound thereby upon admission, readmission, or continued enrollment with King University.

The Office of Student Affairs is responsible for the King University Student Handbook. Changes to the Student Handbook will be made before the beginning of each academic year and an updated version of the Handbook will be available on the King University website. All policies and procedures contained within the Student Handbook are subject to change at any time. If changes to any of the policies contained in the Student Handbook are made during the academic year, the Office of Student Affairs will inform students of the changes via King University email.

