

NSCC PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR REQUIREMENTS

NASHVILLE STATE HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR DISRUPTIVE CONDUCT IN THE CLASSROOM.

- The instructor has the primary responsibility for maintenance of academic integrity and controlling classroom behavior, and can dismiss from the class period any student engaged in disruptive conduct or conduct that violates the general rules and policies of the institution for each class session during which the conduct occurs.
- Extended or permanent exclusion from the classroom, beyond the session in which the conduct occurred, or further disciplinary action can be effected only through appropriate procedures of the institution.
- If a student is dismissed from a class period, the student must meet with the academic dean or the Dean for Student Services prior to the next class meeting. Failure to meet with the dean prior to returning to class constitutes a separate violation of the Student Code of Conduct.
- Disruptive behavior in the classroom that obstructs or disrupts the learning environment is defined as, but not limited to:
 - **Offensive language**
 - **Harassment of students or professors**
 - **Repeated outbursts from a student which disrupt the flow of instruction or prevent concentration on the subject taught**
 - **Failure to cooperate in maintaining classroom decorum**
 - **Text messaging**
 - **Continued use of any electronic or other noise or light emitting device which disturbs others;**
 - **Beepers**
 - **Cell phones**
 - **Palm pilots**
 - **Lap-top computers**
 - **Games**
- Students who are removed from class for disruptive behavior will not be allowed to return until the issue is resolved.

PLAGIARISM, CHEATING, AND OTHER FORMS OF ACADEMIC DISHONESTY ARE PROHIBITED.

- Students guilty of academic dishonesty, either directly or indirectly through participation or assistance are immediately responsible to the instructor of the class.
- Possible disciplinary sanctions may be imposed through the regular institutional procedures as a result of academic misconduct.
- **The instructor has the authority to assign an “F” or “zero” for the exercise or examination, or to assign an “F” for the course.**

While in class and on Fieldwork, students should make every effort to perform in a professional manner and commit themselves to gaining the maximum benefit from the experiences provided. Students should not let personal issues such as risk taking activities (sky diving, snow skiing, race car driving or attending far away weddings) interfere with their class responsibilities, assignments or exams. With that in mind, the following behaviors will not be tolerated in the classroom or Fieldwork setting.

- Drinking alcohol or using illegal drugs while on Fieldwork or prior to arriving at the Fieldwork site
- Meeting OT clients (or other clients at the Fieldwork site) outside of scheduled Fieldwork time for personal, romantic and/or sexual purposes
- Contacting and or meeting client families outside of scheduled Fieldwork time for personal, romantic and/or sexual purposes
- Stealing supplies from the Fieldwork site
- Lying
- Cursing or using defaming or derogatory comments to or about staff or clients
- Abandoning patient or work site
- Sexual harassment, or harassment of any kind, of clients, clients' family members, visitors, staff or other students