

# Section I: Scope, Limitations, and Applicability of the Code

The Code applies to incidents occurring on campus and, as further explained below, to some situations occurring off-campus. Incidents that involve students and that occur at institutions that are part of the Washington Metropolitan Area Consortium of Universities are also subject to this Code. Students who are involved in clinical rotations, practicum, internships, externships or other activities directly involved with an academic program of study are also subject to the Code.

The actual daily administration, enforcement, and operation of the University's judicial program are delegated to the Office of the Dean for Special Student Services (ODSSS).

This Code does not address academic offenses. The University's schools and colleges administer the academic disciplinary process. Students must contact the appropriate school or college for information on disciplinary procedures regarding academic issues.

Judicial action against any student committing a violation of the Code off-campus will be considered on a case-by-case basis upon receipt of the filing by a Complainant of an Allegation of an Off-Campus Violation of the Howard University Student Code of Conduct form. The Complainant must obtain the form from the ODSSS, and the form must be completed and returned to that office. After review of the form, ODSSS will make a determination of its appropriateness for University disciplinary action. Examples of off-campus matters that would typically be excluded from resolution under the Code are landlord/tenant disputes, certain personal business matters with offcampus entities, and non-violent domestic issues. Disciplinary action may be taken with respect to any student convicted of, or charged with, a felony or misdemeanor, as delineated in **Section V: Special Provisions on Students Charged With Or Convicted of A Criminal Act.**

Depending on the severity or nature of the charge, students who violate the Code are subject to a range of disciplinary actions up to and including suspension or expulsion and may be barred from all University-owned and operated the property and all University-sponsored events and activities.

The consequences are serious for students who are charged and/or found guilty of misconduct under this Code. Therefore, any member of the University community, who knowingly and willfully misuses the procedures of the Code to harm another member of the University Community, shall be subject to disciplinary action.