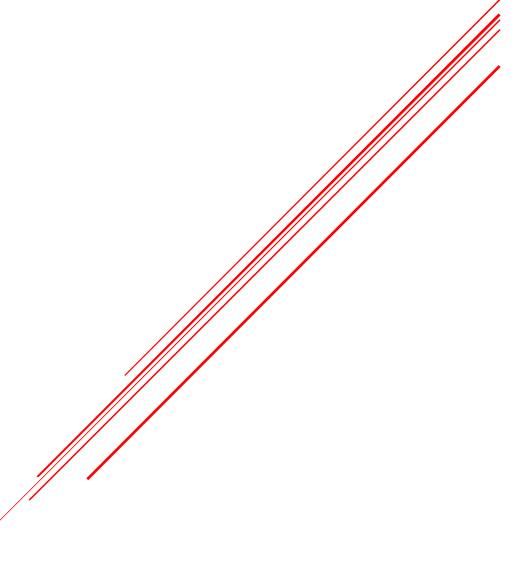


Student Life Handbook

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PERSONAL AND FAMILY COUNSELING

Student counseling resources are facilitated through the Student Life Office. In addition, the Counseling Center of The House Modesto provides personal, pre-marital, marital, and family counseling. A number of support groups are also available for student participation.

STUDENT HOUSING

The House Modesto offers limited housing for NorCal students at a nearby, off campus apartment community. The Student Life Office in partnership with The House, is committed to assisting students with their housing needs. Candidates must sign and submit a lease agreement, acknowledgement of housing rules, and a promissory note outlining payment policies with The House Modesto. Candidates must also provide first and last month's rent and a key deposit upon move-in. All potential renters will be subject to a background check via the apartment complex management. Those who ultimately choose to utilize housing are fully responsible for payment of all rent by specified deadlines, or they will be subject to late fees and possible eviction.

Level One Housing Infractions

- 1. Curfew Violations
 - a. As a general rule, 12am Monday to Sunday
 - b. Must let RA know if work will impact curfew
 - c. Church & entertainment events (i.e., movies) that go beyond 12am must be approved via the Student Life Director in advance.
- 2. Housing Violations
 - a. Including but not limited to failure to keep space clean and orderly, listening to RA instruction and leadership and participating in house chores and upkeep. Please refer back to student housing rules given and outlined in your student housing packet.
- 3. Missed Mandatory Meetings
 - a. Including but not limited to meetings set up by your RA, Student Life Director and SEU Nor Cal Campus Leadership.
- 4. Please be aware that RAs will have to fill out and submit a Resident Warning Notice each time an infraction occurs. You also have the option to fill out a Student Complaint Form to add to the case. These forms are available in the office.

An accumulation of 3 or more Level One Infractions will lead to movement to Level Two or Level Three Sanctions. Please see Site Discipline Judicial Process Section for details.

See www.seunorcal.com/student-housing.html for more information.

CAMPUS SECURITY

At the Nor Cal campus, round-the-clock porters monitor activities on the church grounds. The parking lot adjacent to the academic buildings is well lighted and under regular surveillance. The Campus Security Report and The Campus Crime Statistics Report are posted at

www.seunorcal.com

PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE

In an effort to help students find ministry positions upon graduation, the school maintains a list of opportunities reported to the school and provides guidelines for writing resumes and conducting interviews. Students are encouraged to file their resumes with the office during their last year of enrollment.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Southeastern University's Alumni Association endeavors to perpetuate relationships among alumni of the school, as well as alumni and current students. Activities throughout the year promote these goals.

LIBRARIES

SEU's main campus is home to Steelman Library, which provides books, articles, DVDs, CDs, scores, streamed audio/video, and serials to SEU students. Extension campuses can take advantage of the Interlibrary Loan system, for quick and efficient access to thousands of these and other hard-copy resources. The NorCal campus contains a library collection of approximately 3,800 volumes, which provides direct access to resources for students taking classes on-ground in this region.

The library also makes many online databases and other electronic resources available to all of its students through the WorldCat catalog and the library's online portal (<u>library.seu.edu</u>).

For more information, please visit www.seunorcal.com/library.html

COMPUTER LABS

In addition to computers in the library, the NorCal campus provides two additional computer labs for student use - a larger PC lab with appropriate workstations for completion of papers and similar assignments, as well as a smaller Mac lab with appropriate workstations for completion of music and media projects.

BOOKSTORE

SEU's Follett Bookstore provides students with both academic and spiritual resources. Textbooks, reference volumes, and Bibles are often offered at discounted prices, and upon request, the University Bookstore will "special order" select items not in stock. In addition, students with residual financial aid funds on their Fire Cards may purchase books from Follett Bookstore using their cards.

For more information, please visit www.bkstr.com/southeasternstore/shop/textbooks-and-course-materials

CAFETERIA

The House Café offers drinks and snacks to the student body Monday through Friday, 10am to 4pm. SEU students receive a 20% discount on all drinks.

FITNESS CENTER

The House Fitness is a state-of-the-art, one-of-a-kind facility serving the Christian community of The House and the greater Modesto area. Eligible interns and students can receive a free monthly membership.

STUDENT UNION

SEU NorCal's Student Union is adjacent to the campus and offers students the perfect venue for building community and fostering greater SEU identity. The 2100-square-foot space holds multiple game rooms, a lounge, kitchenette, bathroom, and student life offices. Every SEU Nor Cal student has access to the facility at set hours every day of the week.

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

SEU NorCal's Student Success Center is adjacent to the campus, next door to the Student Union. The Student Success Center offers a quiet place to study, receive tutoring, and access one of two computer labs available on our campus. Select classes are also held in the Success Center. Every SEU Nor Cal student has access to the facility at set hours every day of the week. Students must check in and out of the Student Union to gain access to the Success Center.

DISABILITY SERVICES

Southeastern University is committed to ensuring equal access to all programs for people with disabilities as outlined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Program access is provided in the most integrated setting appropriate to the needs of the individual and to the maximum extent feasible. Southeastern University prohibits disability discrimination and assures equal access, including participation in all educational activities, academic programs and services.

Accommodation Process

- A. A student who wishes to receive an accommodation based upon his/her disability must:
 - a. Self-Identify through the Office of Academic & Auxiliary Services at adaservices@seu.edu or 863-667-5283.
 - b. Complete the New Student Registration Packet.
 - c. Provide appropriate documentation. Appropriate documentation includes a diagnosis by a certified professional (licensed medical physician, psychiatrist, psychologist, or counselor), an IEP or a 504 plan from a public school system. The document must be on official letterhead and include a description of the limitations that are a result of the diagnosis and the recommended accommodations.

- d. Provide a copy of the current semester schedule.
- e. Meet with the Director of Academic & Auxiliary Services for a final accommodation meeting.
- B. Once requested accommodations are approved by the Director of Academic & Auxiliary Services, a Letter of Accommodation will be created and electronically delivered to the student's instructor(s).
- C. Students may request academic accommodations anytime during the semester; however, academic accommodations are NOT retroactive.
- D. Students are responsible for notifying Academic & Auxiliary Services of any changes regarding courses or scheduling.
- E. Students should discuss their requested accommodations with each instructor to clarify expectations.
- F. Students are responsible for requesting and signing the Multi-Semester Consent Form after their first semester in order to continue their accommodations for the subsequent semesters.

Jill Brown, Academic Director for SEU Nor Cal, is your on campus liaison if you choose to identify yourself to the Nor Cal Office, as a student in need of accommodations. She works with the ADA Services Department and with the professors to ensure you are receiving the support needed in your classes.

Student Development – Community Life

STUDENT LEADERS

The Student Life Director works with student leaders to promote a sense of Christian community among the student body. This governing team seeks to promote a strong spiritual and warm social environment through a variety of activities, programs, and events.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year, events are planned and promoted through the Student Life Office, for the purpose of building community and fostering wholesome campus activity. While some of these events are specifically for interns, many are open to the SEU student body at-large. Visit www.seunorcal.com for more information, or stop by the University Office to request an Activity Schedule.

MINISTRY OUTINGS

Each semester, the Student Life Director facilitates a number of ministry outings, to promote the school and give students hands-on ministry opportunities. Please talk to the Student Life Director if interested in being involved in these events.

Class Conflict Outings - Program directors must provide a list of students participating in authorized university activities or field trips to the SEU Nor Cal Office, and office personnel will notify the instructor of approved absences. It is the students' responsibility to complete all assigned work – should the event be approved. The instructor will take this information into account as he/she logs attendance and not consider it an unexcused absence.

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Students at SEU NorCal enjoy a variety of opportunities to enhance their spiritual development.

Chapel services are available for student and faculty participation. In addition, leadership occasionally conducts an annual spiritual emphasis week and similar events geared toward spiritual nurture of the student body.

Leadership strives to make sure every student is actively being mentored while he/she is enrolled in SEU NorCal, for the purpose of providing Christian accountability and ensuring effective implementation of what is being learned in the classroom.

The House Modesto serves as the campus church for SEU NorCal and offers multiple opportunities for spiritual development. A large number of specialized and small group ministries for singles, married couples, and families are available through the church. Students also have the opportunity to fulfill their Christian service and supervised practicum requirements at The House.

These aforementioned activities are intended to complement the instruction and spiritual growth students are receiving in the classroom.

PRACTICUMS / ON-GROUND MINISTRY INTERNSHIPS

At SEU NorCal, we believe hands-on, practical training is a crucial part of your education. Undergraduates will have the opportunity to serve in a ministry area they are passionate about, alongside experienced ministry leaders.

Ministerial Leadership majors will participate in one three-credit practicum each semester they are enrolled full-time (assuming transfer credits have not occupied practicum space on their degrees).

Students will fulfill their practicum requirements when they do the following...

- 1. Serve a minimum amount of hours each week in an approved hands-on setting
- 2. Create a ministry portfolio, which includes...
 - A ministry contract, signed by the student, outlining the student's responsibilities
 - A weekly log, where the student keeps track of involvement in handson activity
 - A one-page book report, outlining key concepts learned in a book that has been assigned by the student's practicum supervisor (ministry students only)
 - A reflection paper, where the student reflects on his/her practicum experience over the course of the semester
 - An evaluation report, completed by the student and his/her practicum supervisor

3. BrightSpace Participation:

- Practicum classes are graded based on an A-F scale, effective Fall 2017 semester. This is different than the Pass/No Credit or Pass/Fail grading scales we have used in the previous semesters. Please understand that the practicum course should be treated as a normal course with credit and grades given based upon assignments completed. The new format also consists of timelines built into the course in which certain assignments must be submitted daily/weekly, instead of allowing everything to be turned in by the last day of the semester.
- 4. Finances: The new practicum courses are still free to extension site students. You will be initially charged for the course and then have that charge "scholarshipped" back to you by the end of the semester.
- 5. Course Sequencing: These courses are meant to be taken in order. Essentially each preceding course will serve as a prerequisite for the course(s) that follow. For students enrolled in an associate program, they will only have to take Extension Site Practicum I IV. For students enrolled in bachelor program, they need to take all 8 practicums in order. The only exception will be for students who may be graduating before they have an opportunity to complete 8 semesters of a practicum. Beginning in the 2018-2019 school year, students can take PMIN 4513 in their final semester, even if they have not taken all other practicums previously. This exception will apply for all students in their final semester of study, Spring 2018 and beyond.

Students will be encouraged to work with an evangelism/mission team and participate in a mission trip at least one semester they are enrolled at SEU NorCal.

We also highly encourage every student to spend one semester with our counseling mentors, learning the basics of counseling ministry and gaining an important lay counseling certification.

Regardless of what ministry area students serve in, they will be faced with moments of crisis. Having necessary tools to effectively counsel those in need is a great asset to anyone's training.

Where do I complete my training?

Students have two options to fulfill their ministry training at SEU NorCal...

Option 1: Serve in your home church

If you are actively serving in your home church, don't stop! We will partner with you and a ministry leader from your church to meet practicum requirements. First, talk with the leader you serve under to ensure he/she is willing to supervise your experience. That person will need to fill out a simple form with contact information and his/her approval to oversee your practicum experience. Second, submit the form to the Campus Director or Student Life Director for approval. Finally, complete all the requirements listed above.

Option 2: Serve in a ministry at our host church, The House Modesto

The House Modesto offers a variety of settings where students can serve and gain handson experience. There are dynamic leaders in children's ministry, youth and young adult ministry, worship arts ministry, media ministry, and more. Pastors and leaders in each of these areas are ready to come alongside you and give you tools and experiences that will launch you into effective ministry. There are invitation-only, full immersion programs – The House Ministry Internships – as well as discipleship programs and general hands-on experience for every student.

Students interested in the invitation-only internship are required to complete an application for The House Ministry Internships program. Before each semester, internship directors will review applications and prayerfully invite students into the experience. Internship directors consider factors such as spiritual maturity, faithfulness to serve, and character when reviewing applications. As an intern, you will be challenged to do more than just the minimum required. You will have weekly times of prayer and mentoring with the Student Life Director and/or Internship Directors, be a part of our traveling ministry team, and serve in key leadership roles within your chosen ministry area. Students who are not accepted into the full-immersion program will still plug into a chosen ministry area, but be encouraged to compete Two-Six, a young adult discipleship program for one year before reapplying. A general servant-leader experience is also available to those who are not invited into The House Ministry Internships within the first couple semesters of their studies.

DRESS CODE POLICY FOR STUDENTS

As a Christian institution that is dedicated to preparing students for Spirit-empowered ministry and leadership in church and marketplace settings, SEU NorCal asks students to respect and comply with community standards with regard to dress. In general, at all times, whether on or off campus, students should keep in mind their callings as ambassadors for Christ. Our aim is always to glorify Christ and point people to Him, and we hope that through these guidelines we will minimize times when we distract from that aim by drawing undue attention to our physical appearance. To this end, we ask students to honor the principles of modesty, professionalism, neatness and personal hygiene.

Students who have questions about SEU NorCal's dress code policies should feel free to consult the Student Life office. While on campus (at class, chapel, or while using campus facilities for other purposes), students are asked to comply with the following more specific parameters:

Women

Skirt and dress lengths are to be modest, professional and appropriate. Sleeveless shirts are permitted, but no tank tops or immodest necklines. Width of straps should be at least 2".

Men

While casual attire is acceptable for daily campus life, men should honor SEU NorCal's community guidelines by wearing clothes that are appropriately neat, clean, and professional.

Men and Women

Shoes should be worn at all times; they should be clean, neat and professional. Visible tattoos which highlight offensive messages should be covered, and visible body piercings that are deemed distracting to peers and others are not permitted. On campus and at all SEU events, men and women are asked to have their entire midsection/midriff area covered, from shoulders to waistline.

Platform Ministry

We who have the privilege of ministering in SEU chapels and public events are also being introduced to the responsibilities of leadership. Carrying a higher profile and being more closely observed by others, we are challenged to set a standard for what is appropriate for leaders to wear in a highly visible setting.

Men

Always be well-groomed, clean and neat. You are allowed to wear untucked shirts only when the shirt is intended to be worn out. Wear neat dress slacks, neatly kept blue jeans, or khaki pants. Shoes are to be neat and clean.

Women

Modesty and femininity are the guiding principles for women's dress. Attention should be drawn to your countenance rather than other areas of the body. No tight-fitting or revealing clothing; modest necklines only. Leggings should be worn with dresses or skirts if the dress falls at or above the top of the knee. Tank tops are not permitted unless a cover up, sweater, nice jacket, or cardigan is also worn. Make sure that if a cardigan is worn, it does not fall off of your shoulders while moving around or raising your arms.

*For special events, whether on or off campus, dress requirements may be adjusted.

CLASSROOM CODE OF CONDUCT

All students have the right to learn without interference from others. Campus staff & faculty members have the authority to protect this right by creating and maintaining an environment that is conducive to learning. Toward this end SEU NorCal has developed the following Code of Classroom/Campus Conduct.

Classroom/Campus misconduct is any behavior which disrupts or interferes with the learning experience. Students are required and expected to conduct themselves in a Christ-like, mature and considerate manner both in class and around the campus. Students should conduct and express themselves in a way that is respectful to all individuals. This includes respecting the rights of others to comment and participate fully in class. While students may not agree with all content or views of the professor or fellow students, it is not your right to publicly challenge or be argumentative in a way that is disrespectful or threatening to fellow students or faculty. Students do have the right to approach the instructor or fellow student after class to discuss the concern. Students also do not have the right to be verbally aggressive or abusive to staff or faculty. Staff/faculty and students will speak to each other with respect and unity without any offensive language or hateful speech. Some disruptive students may have emotional, mental, or physical disorders. Although such students may be diagnosed with disabilities and eligible for accommodation under the Rehabilitation Act/ADA, they are held to the same standards of conduct as other students.

Examples of Classroom Misconduct

Includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Engaging in behavior that disrupts or interferes with the learning experience. Behavior such as, but not limited to, talking in class while the faculty member or other students are speaking, creating distractions or disturbances, using inappropriate or offensive language, sleeping, reading unrelated materials, and moving about the classroom is, in many situations, considered disruptive to the learning process.
- Using cell phones or other electronic devices that disrupt the learning process or teaching environment is not allowed under most circumstances. The use of personal laptop computers, phones, etc. may be acceptable in some classes; however they must be used only for note-taking or activities in direct support of the course objectives. Faculty members have the right to ask students to shut down any electronic devices.
- 3. Entering the classroom late or leaving the classroom prior to the end of class is considered a disruption to the learning process and should be avoided unless exceptional circumstances arise. Students should not be pulled out of the class by other students for a conversation. Students will be given a break and need to be engaged during instruction.

CONSEQUENCES OF DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS AND CLASSROOM MISCONDUCT

Students who commit dress code violations or classroom misconduct are subject to classroom and site judicial processes. In all cases, students will have a right to use the student appeal procedure (as described below.) Withdrawal from a course does not exempt a student from any pending charges related to violation of the dress code or classroom misconduct.

Any of the following sanctions may be imposed by the faculty member for any violation of the dress code or classroom misconduct:

- 1. Giving a warning an oral or written explanation by a college official of violation and possible consequences if misconduct continues;
- 2. Dismissal from the remaining class time during which the infraction occurs;
- 3. Dismissal from the remaining class time during which the infraction occurs, with required meeting with designated college employee (faculty member, Academic Director, Student Life Director, and/or Site Director) prior to returning to class;
- 4. Assignment of a reduced or failing grade on an assignment, paper, project or exam for that given class;
- 5. Referral to the conduct office.

Initial offenses are viewed as a Level One Infraction. If removed from class for a second offense, or if the first offense is egregious and/or involves threatening behavior, the student will be on temporary suspension from that class pending investigation by the SEU NorCal Administration and/or Southeastern University Conduct Office.

STANDARD OF CONDUCT

Community Covenant

Since members of this faith-based community have voluntarily chosen to be participants, all students are obligated to a code of scriptural and community standards and behavior.

As a Christ-follower and member of the community of Southeastern University, I will:

- Practice the spiritual disciplines—regular reading of God's Word, prayer, etc.
- Understand that regular attendance at church services is expected
- Pursue integrity and practice professional ethics
- Adhere to guidelines of dress code
- Respect the dignity of all persons and highly value the diversity of the body of Christ
- Respect the rights and property of others
- Discourage bigotry, slander, and gossip among the members of the community and refuse to engage in such behavior
- Refrain from the possession, use or distribution of beverage alcohol (except for communion), marijuana, or other intoxicants either on or off university premises
- Refrain from the possession, use or distribution of tobacco products either on or off university premises
- Refrain from the possession, use or distribution of illegal substances and the abuse or illegal use of legal substances, including prescription and over-the-counter medications either on or off university premises
- Refrain from all sexually immoral behavior including: premarital sex; adultery; lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender behavior; and involvement with pornography in any form.
 (Biblical marriage consists only of a faithful, heterosexual union between one genetic male and one genetic female, and biblical marriage is the only legitimate and acceptable context for a sexual relationship.)
- Resolve conflict according to the model in Matthew 18:15-20
- Honor the servant-leaders who watch over this community and cooperate with their leadership
- Demonstrate compassion for others and a passion for the lost as a representative of Christ

Community Life Statement

Southeastern is more than a university; it is a community that transforms students. Joining this Christ-centered community obligates each student to embrace a set of core values centered on scriptural and civilized behavior. The core values of Southeastern's community are: authentic spirituality, a Christ-centered worldview, character development for ethics in life, servant leadership, academic and professional excellence, and cultural sensitivity.

SITE DISCIPLINE JUDICIAL PROCESS

Presented below are the levels and steps for the judicial process at Southeastern University and SEU Nor Cal. Southeastern University and SEU Nor Cal reserve the right to change these judicial processes at any time.

Level One Infractions

- 1. Dress code violation
- 2. Classroom misconduct
- 3. Curfew violation (less than 30 minutes past curfew)
- 4. Minor housing violation
- 5. Missed mandatory meetings

First and second violation of above infractions will result in a Verbal/Written Warning placed in your student file and face-to-face meeting with leadership. Consequence of breaking above infractions 3 times will result in the infraction being moved to Level Two.

Level Two Infractions

Student Life Director is notified of Verbal/Written Warning placed in your file. A minimum of 5 hours of Community Service will be required and must be completed by the end of current semester. Please obtain Community Service form from the office — to be filled out by the Community Service leader or manager and returned to the office.

- 1. The use, possession, or distribution of these substances is strictly prohibited; there is zero tolerance for the following infractions**:
 - a. Alcoholic beverages (Note: anyone over the age of 21 years supplying alcohol to those under the age of 21 will be sanctioned more severely, as this constitutes a crime. Sections for suppliers may be sanctioned more severely.)
 - b. Narcotics or other controlled substances, except as expressly permitted by law. Students who possess, distribute, and/or use narcotics on or off campus (including medical marijuana, misuse of prescription drugs, any form of hallucinogens, paraphernalia, etc.) or other intoxicants on or off campus may be subject to the disciplinary process. (See list of description of the substances and the Alcohol and Drug Federal Mandate listed in the Reference section at the end of this section.)
 - c. Tobacco products

**Please note, zero tolerance indicates that no additional warning will be given to any student who violates this policy. A first offense is considered to be a serious violation of the Code of Conduct and will subject an individual to all appropriate disciplinary sanctions.

Alcohol and Drugs Federal Mandate: The federal government mandated on October 1, 1990, that there will be no illegal drug use by students, staff, or faculty on any college campuses anywhere in the United States. The policy is as follows: On November 18, 1988, Congress passed the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (P.L. 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C. 701 et. seq.). This statute required contractors and grantees of federal agencies to certify that they will provide a drug-free workplace. Making this required certification is a precondition for receiving a contract or grant from a federal agency.

Pursuant to the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, it is unlawful to manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, or use controlled substances at university work sites and/or while performing university activities, events, or business. The Drug-Free School and Communities Act Amendments of 1989 (P.L. 101-226) amends the 1988 law, stating that it is also unlawful to manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, use, or sell illicit drugs and alcohol in the workplace, at any university activities or events, or while performing university business.

- Inappropriate sexual behavior, including but not limited to premarital or extramarital sexual activity, acts of homosexuality, and/or any that may be categorized as distasteful or immoral according to the guidelines and determination of Southeastern University and the governing parties therein.
- 3. Deliberate refusal to comply with clearly stated policies or directives issued by university officials, including RAs and security personnel, acting in performance of his/her duties. This includes, but is not limited to breaking housing rules, multiple Level One housing infractions, and failure to evacuate a building or refusal to present proper ID upon request.
- 4. Possession, distribution, propagation, or viewing of inappropriate material that includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Obscene or distasteful material as determined by the community standard of Southeastern University.
 - b. Sexually explicit or pornographic videos, movies, books, magazines, or other media; Internet or cell phone based; or any other form. Intentional distribution, exposure, propagation, and/or forwarding of illicit, explicit and/or inappropriate materials with intent to harass, disturb, discomfort, or bully another individual, including but not limited to:
 - i. Inappropriate text messages, phone calls, emails, pictures, or other correspondence that is offensive, sexual, lewd, or distasteful in nature.
 - ii. Intentional exposure of body parts in any type of live or communicated fashion with or without the intent to harm, harass, or bully another person will be handled with the utmost seriousness and will result in heavy consequences and/or sanctions.
- 5. Aiding, abetting, or conspiring with another person to become involved in inappropriate behavior. Being present when another student violates university policy and behaves in such a way that constitutes permitting or condoning the violation.
- 6. Physical abuse, intimidation, fighting, harassment, pranks, and/or other physical conduct that either threatens or endangers the welfare, safety, and/or security of any person. Verbal abuse, intimidation, harassment, coercion, pranks, or bullying that threaten the welfare, safety, and/or security of any person.
- 7. An accumulation of multiple Level One infractions.
- 8. Acts of dishonesty, including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Cheating, plagiarism, or other forms of academic dishonesty.
 - b. Furnishing false information or lying to any university official, faculty member, or office staff member.
 - c. Forgery, alteration, misuse of any university document, record, or instrument of identification.
 - d. Tampering with the election of any university-recognized leader.
 - e. Failure to give accurate information.
- 9. Unauthorized taking or keeping of university property; items rented, leased, or placed on the campus; property leased by the university; items belonging to students, faculty, staff, or guests of the university; use of another student's ID number/ID card; or possession of suspected stolen property.

- 10. Hazing, defined as an act which endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student, or which destroys or removes public or private property, for the purpose of initiation, or admission into, affiliation with, or as a condition for continued membership in a group or organization.
- 11. Unauthorized possession, duplication, or use of university and church keys or unauthorized entry into or use of university and church premises.
- 12. Violation of federal, state, or local law.
- 13. Possession of firearms, explosives, other weapons, or dangerous chemicals. Firearms, explosives, other weapons, and dangerous chemicals are never permitted on university premises.
- 14. Participation in a campus demonstration which disrupts the normal operations of the university and infringes upon the rights of other members of the university community. Breach of peace or aiding, abetting, or causing another person to breach the peace on university premises or at functions sponsored by the university.
- 15. Conduct that is disorderly, lewd, or indecent.
- 16. Violation of Chapel policies.
- 17. Coarse, profane, or other language that is offensive to others.
- 18. Propagation of unhealthy and unsound practices, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Occult practices
 - b. Witchcraft
 - c. Anti-Christian activities
 - d. Intended worship of a non-Christian deity
 - e. Doctrinal practices/teachings/etc. that endanger the university community
 - Unsound doctrine and practices with the intent to deliberate contradiction of university held beliefs for the purpose of disruption of the university community.
 - ii. The University is a place to discover self, learn, question, and challenge your beliefs. Southeastern University encourages the academic and inquisitive mind; however, deliberate acts are deemed unscriptural by the Assemblies of God fellowship and/or the administration of the University for disruptive and potentially destructive purposes are prohibited.
- 19. Any type of gambling activity. Gambling is defined as any gaming activity that includes the wagering or exchanging of monies or material wealth.
- 20. Attending places of questionable amusement, including but not limited to bars, dance clubs, casinos, adult entertainment clubs, and/or X-rated establishments.
- 21. Any improper entrance or exit of the university campus or university housing. This includes returning to campus or student housing more than thirty minutes past curfew.
- 22. Any activity that violates the polices of Information Technology.
- 23. Conduct that is not keeping with the values of the Southeastern University community, including but not limited to:
 - a. Attempts to circumvent regulations in order to enable disruptive, destructive, or inappropriate behavior.
 - b. A series of acts, attitudes, and instances that establish a consistent pattern of behavior that does not keep with university values.

- c. A habitual lack of regard for the community, students, and systems at the university.
- 24. Pets on university housing premises (never allowed).
- 25. Babysitting on university housing premises (never allowed).
- 26. Intentional violation of the opposite sex visitation policy with suspected intent to engage in illicit, explicit, and/or inappropriate activity.
 - a. No guys in girls apartments or girls in guys apartments. Exceptions must be approved in advance and are only allowed for situations of maintenance, moving of furniture, socials, etc. For all social events such as birthday parties, gettogethers, etc., you must have written approval from the Student Life Director.
- 27. The accumulation of 2+ violations of the opposite sex visitation policy, even where no intent for inappropriate behavior is suspected.
- 28. Being out overnight with members of the opposite sex without prior approval or supervision from the Student Life Director.

Level Two Sanctions

In recommending or determining a sanction, a judicial body or judicial official shall consider relevant factors including the nature of the offense; the severity of any damage, injury, or harm resulting from the offense; the student's current demeanor; and the student's past disciplinary record.

- 1. The following sanctions may be imposed upon any student found to have violated a Level Two infraction of the Code of Conduct:
 - a. Warning: A notice in writing to the student that the student is violating or has violated institutional regulations.
 - b. Probation: A written reprimand for violation of specified regulations. Probation is for a designated period of time and includes the probability of more severe disciplinary sanctions if the student is found to be violating any institutional regulation(s) during the probationary period.
 - c. Loss of Privileges: Denial of specific privileges for a designated period of time.
 - d. Fines: Precedence and previously established fines may be imposed.
 - e. Restitution: Compensation for loss, damage, or injury. This may take the form of appropriate service and/or monetary material replacement.
 - f. Discretionary Sanctions: Work assignments, service to the university, or other related discretionary assignments.
 - g. Other Sanctions: Other sanctions may be imposed instead of or in addition to those specified above (imposition must be related to the nature of the violation), including but not limited to the following:
 - i. Educational or research projects.
 - ii. Mandated counseling or therapy, and/or substance abuse assessment.
 - iii. University Suspension: Separation of the student from the university for a definite period of time, after which the student is eligible to return. Conditions for readmission may be specified and is at the sole discretion of the university.

Level Three Infractions

A Level Three Infraction is defined as any severe or overt violation of the Code of Conduct. It may also include the accumulation of two or more Level Two Infractions within one semester.

Level Three Sanctions

University Expulsion:

This is mandated through the Main Campus in Lakeland, FL, and represents permanent separation of the student from the university. Council recommendations for a university expulsion are referred to the Vice President for Student Development. In consultation with the university President, the Vice President for Student Development may impose a university expulsion or modify sanctions. The decision of the Vice President for Student Development is final, and there shall be no subsequent hearing or appeal.

Interim Suspension:

- 1. In certain circumstance, university officials may impose a university suspension upon a student prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Covenant Council. Interim suspension may be imposed only:
 - **a.** To ensure the safety and well-being of members of the university community or preservation of university property.
 - **b.** To ensure the student's own physical or emotional safety and well-being.
 - **c.** If the student poses a definite threat of disruption of or interference with the normal operations of the university.
- 2. During the interim suspension, students shall be denied access to the residence areas and/or campus classes and/or all other university activities or privileges for which the student might otherwise be eligible, as the university may deem appropriate.
- 3. Failure to comply with the guidelines of the interim suspension may result in further disciplinary action. In the case of all university expulsion and suspension, the student will not be allowed to finish classes for that semester and will be asked to leave campus and/or student housing within 24 hours. At the time, the student is responsible for following the withdrawal processes that involve the SEU NorCal Office and SEU Retention Office. The grade of "W" is assigned in each of the student's courses, and credit is not earned.

Please note:

- More than one of the Level Two or Level Three sanctions may be imposed for any single violation.
- All disciplinary sanctions (i.e. fines, work assignments, research projects, etc.) must be completed before end of current semester and before student will be permitted to receive their current semester grades or register for classes the following semester.
- Students who are expelled or suspended from the university shall be denied access
 to the residence areas, to the campus classrooms, and all other university activities
 or privileges for which the student might otherwise be eligible.
- Other than university expulsion, disciplinary sanctions shall not be made part of the student's permanent academic record, but shall become part of the student's confidential record. Upon graduation, the student confidential record may be expunged of disciplinary actions, at the office's discretion.

Parental Notification

Consistent with federal law, the Student Development Department of Southeastern University is prohibited from sharing a student's counseling or judicial records with parents, faculty, administrators, and other students – unless the student has given express consent, per FERPA.

The Student Development Department can disclose some student information to parents or guardians during extreme circumstances. A Student Development administrator reserves the right to notify the parents or guardians of a student's actions in the following circumstances:

- 1. The student presents a serious danger, or is perceived to be a danger to himself/herself, SEU staff, faculty, or other on campus administration physically, mentally, or in any other way.
- 2. The student is transported to the hospital in a life-threatening emergency.
- 3. The student is a victim of a crime.
- 4. The student commits a disciplinary violation that results in suspension or expulsion.
- 5. The student is found purchasing, distributing, using, or possessing alcohol or controlled substances.
- 6. In extenuating circumstances, when the university deems it to be absolutely necessary.

COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS

Extension Campus Complaint Policy

Students have the right to submit formal complaints to both their extension site leadership and main campus leadership. As a general rule, any complaints related to campus operations and facilities should be directed to the Campus Director. Any complaints that are academic in nature, related to coursework and faculty, should be directed to the Campus Academic Director. Any complaints that are related to student life and/or practicums should be directed to the Campus Student Life Director. Any and all complaints which are not resolved by the local leadership should be forwarded to the Senior Director of Extension Campuses.

Disciplinary Appeal Policy

A student may appeal a disciplinary action taken against him or her according to the following protocol:

Disciplinary action: Appeal to:

Level One, Two, or Three Infraction
 Decision of NorCal Student Life Director
 Senior Director of Extension Ed

Decision of Senior Director of Extension Ed Covenant Council

Decision of Covenant Council
 Student Development VP

The student must make all appeals in writing to the appropriate office within 24 hours of receiving disciplinary notification. All decisions of the Student Development VP are final and there shall be no subsequent appeals.

Non-Academic Complaints and Appeals

Students with a complaint or problem concerning student life that is non-academic in nature should go to the Resident Student Life Director or the Office of Student Development.

Financial problems, questions and issues regarding student accounts should be addressed to Student Financial Services.

It is suggested that requests for resolution be submitted in writing, and all complaints/appeals will be addressed promptly.

Students are welcome to connect with the Retention Coordinator (retention@seu.edu) to get help with solving issues, including financial, residential, or academic when the student is unsure of where to go for a resolution.