

	<b>Code of Student Conduct Policy LCME Element 3.6</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b>	<b>September 2018</b>
		<b>Current Date:</b>	
		<b>Contact:</b>	<b>Office of Admissions &amp; Student Affairs</b>
<b>Approved By: Committee on Student Professionalism and Promotion</b>		<b>Date Approved:</b>	<b>September 2018</b>

## 1) GENERAL POLICY STATEMENT

Tulane University expects and requires behavior compatible with its high standards of scholarship, and maintains codes of academic and student conduct that establish and govern the expected behavior of students in classrooms, laboratories, and studios; the performance of any work upon which academic achievement will be evaluated; and procedures corresponding to the judicial processes applicable to alleged code violations. In addition to the University's Unified Code of Graduate Student Conduct which applies to all graduate and professional students, including medical students, the School of Medicine maintains a code of professional conduct, which recognizes and addresses multiple responsibilities to patients, colleagues, communities, families, and self.

- a) **Scope:** Applies to all students enrolled in the School of Medicine.
- b) **Responsible Department/Party/Parties:**
  - i. **Policy Owner:** Office of Admissions and Student Affairs
  - ii. **Procedure:** Office of Admissions and Student Affairs
  - iii. **Supervision:** Dean's Office

## 2) DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Policy, the following terms and definitions apply:

- a) **Tulane Ideals of Medical Professional Conduct:** Patient welfare; relationships with colleagues, faculty, and staff as an essential part of professional conduct; integrating personal growth with professional development and a commitment to medicine; and responsible citizenship.
- b) **Unprofessional Behavior:** Behavior that violates the ideals of medical professional conduct, including, but not limited to: acting improperly towards patients, supervisors and/or peers; disrespect for faculty, patients, supervisors and/or peers; dishonest, unethical and/or illegal behavior; failure to meet clinical responsibilities; and failure to correct deficiencies in academic performance in a responsible and timely fashion.
- c) **Breaches of Honor Code:** Include, but are not limited to, cheating, stealing, plagiarism, impairing another student's ability to learn, or acting in a deceitful manner.

- d) **Honor Board:** a representative group of School of Medicine faculty and students: the President and Vice President of the Medical Student Body, the president of each class, four (4) representatives of the Sophomore, Junior, and Senior classes, and two (2) representatives of the Freshman class. Said representatives are to be elected at a general election conducted by each of the respective classes. The Honor Board shall act as a jury to render a decision as to the innocence or guilt of the accused, and in the event of the latter shall make recommendations for a penalty to be acted on by the Dean of the School of Medicine. The Honor Board shall have sole and final authority to judge the innocence or guilt of the accused. The Honor Board also recognizes Tulane University's "Code of Student Conduct" and may defer authority as set forth in Article IV of the by-laws, section 3

### 3) POLICY GUIDELINES

#### 4) REVIEW/REVISION/IMPLEMENTATION

- a) **Review Cycle:** This policy shall be reviewed by the Office of Admissions and Student Affairs at least annually from the effective date.
- b) **Office of Record:** After authorization, the Dean's Office (Office of Admissions and Student Affairs) shall be the office of record for this policy.

#### 5) RELATED POLICIES

- **Tulane University Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct:** addresses academic conduct
- **Tulane University Code of Student Conduct:** addresses complaints that are non-academic in nature
- **Tulane University Grade Grievance Procedure:** addresses grades and other complaints that are academic in nature, and does not apply to cases brought under the Unified Code of Academic Conduct or the Code of Student Conduct
- **School of Medicine Honor Code**
- **School of Medicine Constitution**

#### 6) GOVERNING LAW OR REGULATIONS

Not applicable

#### 7) ATTACHMENTS

- [Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct](#)
- [Code of Student Conduct](#)
- [Grade Grievance Procedure](#)
- [School of Medicine Student Handbook](#)