

## Columbia University Programs for Pre-College Students Community Standards Consent Form

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All students enrolled in Columbia University's Pre-College Program must adhere to the policies outlined in the Student Conduct and Community Standards for Pre-College Programs. Every subtlety of proper behavior cannot be detailed and the outline below is not an exhaustive list, however, the following rules are to be strictly followed in addition to all policies outlined in the Student Conduct and Community Standards for Pre-College Programs. Failure to abide by these policies may result in discipline, including dismissal from the program; serious first offenses will result in immediate dismissal.

No portion of tuition or fees will be refunded to a student who has been dismissed. Dismissed students do not receive evaluation letters or Certification of Participation. Upon dismissal, students will have all system access revoked, and if on campus, immediate departure (within 24 hours) will be required. Dismissed students are not permitted to access campus facilities and/or participate in any University-affiliated programming.

### **Behavioral Standards**

**Students enrolled in our Online and On Campus Modalities are expected to abide by the following standards:**

1. The University expects that students will act in a sensitive, considerate, and responsible manner at all times and respect the rights of others. Columbia University deems unacceptable any verbal or physical conduct that demeans others because of their race, gender, ethnic background, religion, sexual orientation, or any other protected category as outlined in the University's Nondiscrimination Statement. Students are responsible for their social or public conduct, including that in digital forms, such as online courses, text messages, social media posts, emails, and discussion boards.
2. Plagiarism is not tolerated. Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, submitting work done by another person or submitted by another source; failing to document ideas found in sources, whether print or electronic, with appropriate notes and bibliographic references; failing to enclose borrowed phrases or sentences within quotation marks, and turning in the same assignment from a previous course without advance permission from their current instructors.
3. Class attendance is critical to the successful completion of the program. Students who miss more than two classes may not be eligible for the Certification of Participation, and multiple absences will be noted in the course evaluation letter the student receives after program completion.
4. Students are expected to engage seriously in their courses (virtual or on campus) through both class participation and completion of assigned work. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.
5. The misuse, destruction, hacking, or disabling of university property, software, or equipment is forbidden.
6. Students participating in field trips are expected to uphold the same behavioral standards as they do on campus. This includes respectful behavior toward staff, peers, external partners, and the general public during off-campus activities; compliance with instructions from program staff and trip leaders at all times to ensure safety and organization; and remaining with the group throughout the trip.

Students enrolled in on-campus programming, and/or participating in residential programming, are required to abide by these additional standards:

1. Smoking, including e-cigarettes/vaping, is prohibited on the campuses of Columbia University and our various host institutions.
2. The possession or use of illicit drugs or alcohol is forbidden.
3. Possession of weapons or incendiary devices of any kind is prohibited.
4. Commuter students are not permitted to enter the residence halls under any non-public-safety circumstance or to participate in programming specific to residential life.
5. Commuter students may only stay on campus before 7:00 pm Monday-Friday and should not be on campus on weekends.
6. Residential students may not sign in or host visitors in the residence halls; this includes parents/legal guardians, family members, classmates, program commuter students, or other university affiliates. Family members may help students move in and out of the residence on the first and last days of the program.
7. Residential Program students may only enter the residence hall areas of the floor or suite to which they are assigned.
8. Residential students must observe curfew. Students must be in their assigned buildings by 9:00 pm on weeknights and 10:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday.
9. Residential students must be in their assigned rooms on weeknights by 11:00 pm and remain there throughout the night. In-room curfew is extended to 12:00 am on Friday and Saturday nights.
10. Residential curfew lifts daily at 6:00 am.
11. Residential students may not leave the outlined campus boundaries at any time without express permission from the Student Services office. The boundary perimeter extends from 110th to 120th Street and Amsterdam to Riverside Drive. All out-of-campus boundary requests and requests to stay off campus overnight must be approved by a parent/guardian before being reviewed and approved by the Student Services office.
  - a. Students are limited to two out of boundaries requests per session and one overnight request per session.
  - b. Students who leave campus boundaries without formal approval will be dismissed from the program.
  - c. All requests for off-campus passes must follow the outlined policies for off-campus requests listed in the student handbook and the request form.
12. Students are not permitted to be in a park, on the subway, in a rideshare, or in a private vehicle without supervision by a staff member.
13. Sitting on window ledges, accessing roofs, and dropping or throwing objects out of windows or from roofs are forbidden.

14. Students must maintain an acceptable level of cleanliness in dorm rooms and public spaces and leave dorm rooms and other spaces clean at the end of the program. Weekly room and bathroom checks will be administered to ensure livable standards.
15. Students must adhere to Health & Safety inspections which involve staff from the Pre-College Program entering your assigned living space to inspect for health and safety concerns.
16. Commuter students are required to abide by the campus boundaries policy during program hours of 9:00 am- 5:00 pm, except to the extent of commuting immediately before or after the program.
17. Commuter students who will not reside in their primary residence during the program attest that they will live at a residence that includes direct adult supervision in the form of family members or family friends who will live in the same domicile. Commuter students who will not reside in their primary residence during the program attest that they will not take unsupervised housing in the form of hotel rooms, Airbnb rentals, hostels, or other such accommodations.
  - a. Should the Pre-College program learn that a student is living in an unsupervised arrangement they will be required to move on campus or withdraw from the program and return home.
  - b. If a student opts to move on to campus, they will be responsible for the cost of housing and a meal plan.
18. Students must abide by the rules and regulations of Columbia University and our various host institutions.

It is important to note that all faculty and staff are considered mandated reporters and are obligated to report any suspicion of maltreatment of a minor.

**Authorization/Consent**

I, the undersigned, understand and agree to abide by the above-stated expectations and behavioral standards and all policies outlined in the Pre-College Student Conduct and Community Standards Guide. I understand that I will be held accountable for compliance with these standards and may be subject to dismissal for not adhering to the standards set forth.

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***Student's name/Signature date***

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have read and discussed the above stated expectations and behavioral standards and all policies outlined in the Pre-College Student Conduct and Community Standards Guide with my student. I understand that my student will be held accountable for compliance with these standards and may be subject to dismissal for not adhering to the standards set forth.

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***Parent/Legal guardian's name/Signature date***