

## POLICY

Title: Student Conduct

**Policy Statement:** 

The Board of Governors of Northern Lakes College is committed to empowering students to exercise their rights, fulfill their responsibilities, and successfully complete their studies. Students are expected to follow College procedures and to demonstrate appropriate behavior towards other students, staff and the public.

Approved:\_

(Chair of the Board)

(Date)

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**Stakeholders Consulted (Date):** Deans' Council May 17, 2012; Senior Management Team September 7, 2012; Academic Council December 4, 2012

## Reference to other Documents (if any):

Code of Ethics and Conduct Policy; Student Services Procedure - Student Conduct; Harassment Policy; Violence in the Workplace Policy and Procedure; Computer and Information Usage; Academic Standards Regulation; Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities Policy; Student Appeal Procedure

## **Guidelines:**

- 1. The Board values an environment conducive to learning and teaching for both distance and onsite environments. The environment must be based on civility and mutual respect. It must also be based on respect for:
  - a. diversity and intellectual inquiry,
  - b. property (including intellectual property),
  - c. maintenance of individual safety, and
  - d. equitable, unbiased and timely resolution of violations.
- Student conduct is not reviewed in isolation. Considerable attention must be given to the laws of Canada, Alberta, and municipalities. E.g. The Alberta Human Rights Act. Students on practicum are also subject to the policies or regulations of assigned practicum sites.
- 3. Each student, upon enrollment in the College, is governed by the rules and regulations of the College. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the educational objectives of the College in accordance with generally accepted standards of behaviour, and in accordance with published College policies, procedures and regulations. At the heart of accepted standards of behaviour is respect for other members of the College community.
- 4. The College will ensure that students are aware of their rights, but also the responsibilities that they bear by virtue of their membership in the College community.
- 5. All employees of the College who interact with students should be familiar with this policy and related documents and able to advise students of their rights and responsibilities when required.
- 6. Where policies, procedures or regulations have been violated, this College will utilize fair and efficient procedures to address academic and non-academic disciplinary matters.
- The President has the authority to investigate all issues related to students' rights and responsibilities. This authority may be delegated to the appropriate program staff.
- 8. Students have the right to appeal.