COLLEGE POLICIES

It is the responsibility of each individual to know and abide by the Rules, Regulations, and Policies of the College and the University. Read Student Policies and Regulations Handbook, University Terms & Conditions of College Residence, Student Life and Housing Guide, College Planner, and all official newsletters, flyers, and mailings for details regarding policies on student conduct and academic integrity. Please talk to the college staff if you have any questions/concerns.

The University's complete regulations and policies are contained in the Student Policies and Regulations Handbook online at http://deanofstudents.uscs.edu/student-conduct/student-handbook.html

In order to carry on its work of teaching, research, and public service, the University has an obligation to maintain conditions under which the work of the University can proceed freely. This is done in accordance with the highest standards of quality, institutional integrity, and freedom of expression, and with full recognition by all concerned, for the rights and privileges, as well as the responsibilities, of those who comprise the University community. Each member of the UCSC community shares the responsibility of maintaining an environment conducive to the achievement of the University's purposes.

The University's standard of conduct consists of system-wide policies, campus regulations, and individual College rules. The Chancellor has delegated authority to the Provosts, College Administrative Officers, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, and Vice Chancellor of Student Services or their designees to impose discipline for violation of these policies, regulations, and rules.

“Lock-Out” Policy

Students must carry keys and ensure that their door is secured at all times when they are not present. If a student locks himself or herself out more than three times in an academic year, there is a service fee of $15 upon the fourth lock out and every lock out thereafter.

Alcohol Policy

(Refer to the Student Policies and Regulations Handbook and any residential staff member if you have questions.)

- State law prohibits the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages by anyone under 21.
- College policy complements the University policy on alcohol and both support the State law.
- University policy states that alcohol consumption is not allowed in public areas including the courtyard, dining hall, or any outdoor areas.
- Federal and State laws prohibit alcoholic beverages from being sold, furnished, possessed by, or given to any person under the age of 21.
- In addition, no possession or transport of open containers or consumption of alcoholic beverages will be allowed in public areas by any person, regardless of age.
- Kegs or other “common source” containers holding alcoholic beverages are not allowed on campus. Violation of this policy may result in cancellation of your housing contract and other disciplinary action.
- Alcohol in a “private” area but visible from a public area is considered “in public” and therefore is a violation of policy. For example, an open residence hall room door makes the room “public” because it is visible from the hall.

Any person under the age of 21 found to be under the influence of alcohol is in violation of University Policy.

No written notices (posters, ads, etc.) may be circulated announcing the availability of alcohol at an event.

Harassment Policy

Physical and verbal harassment will not be tolerated by students, staff, or faculty, and is prohibited on the UCSC campus. If any form of harassment occurs, you should notify a staff member immediately. It is the policy of Stevenson College and the University that the working and learning environment shall be free of harassment, including any form of sexual harassment. Stevenson College and the University will take action to eliminate harassment. For further information on sexual harassment please refer to the Student Policies and Regulations Handbook or contact Rita Walker, Title IX Coordinator/Sexual Harassment Officer, at (831) 459-2462 or via e-mail at rew@ucsc.edu. Her office is located at 105 Kerr Hall.

Noise Policy

Noise is any sound, human or otherwise, which is disturbing to a resident. In an effort to provide an atmosphere conducive to studying and group living, 24 hour Silent Hours are in effect during the last week of each quarter in preparation for finals.

Quiet Hours

10:00pm to 8:00am on Sunday to Thursday nights.
12:00am to 9:00am on Friday and Saturday nights.

Drug Policy

The University and College adhere to all Federal, State, and local laws.

The University strictly prohibits the possession, sale, or transportation of any illicit drugs. Violation of this policy will result in judicial action, and possible legal action being taken.

Any person found to be under the influence of any illicit drug is in violation of College and University policy. Unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, use, or sale of, or the attempted manufacture, distribution, or sale of controlled substances, identified in Federal and State law regulations, is strictly against University policy.

Alcohol and Other Drug “Trophies” and Paraphernalia

Emptied containers of alcohol and other paraphernalia are considered evidence of policy violations. Residents may not have these materials in their rooms. These materials include alcohol bottles and cans, pipes, water bongs, and hookahs. Drug paraphernalia is defined here as all equipment, material, and products intended for the use or designed for use in growing, processing, harvesting, storing, concealing, injecting, ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing a controlled substance into the human body.

Stereos and Amplified/Loud Instruments

Stereos in the residence halls are a privilege. No one would want to deny you the pleasure of listening to your favorite music; however, no one wants to be awakened out of a sound sleep by a stereo. Stereo speakers may not be placed in windows facing outside. Any lack of consideration may result in loss of stereo privileges. Please bring headphones. Blasting
Aerial Objects

Upper, lower, apartment quads, or patio areas are not to be used for play involving the throwing or kicking of any object. This includes, but is not limited to, ball throwing, water balloons, Frisbees, soccer balls, baseballs, footballs, etc. In addition, safety concerns prohibit throwing anything from or at the buildings, windows, or balconies. Residents are responsible for damages or clean-up charges that result from such action and are subject to possible college/university judicial sanctions. If you want to play Frisbee or the like, please use the Knoll or the East Field.

Smoking Policy

UCSC is committed to providing a healthy, smoke-free environment for everyone. Smoking is not allowed in any University building, including the residence halls and apartments. No burning of incense is allowed in any residential facility. No smoking is allowed on porches, balconies, or in stairwells. It is important to know smoking is prohibited within 25 feet of building entrances or air intakes.

NOTICE: Effective January 1, 2014, smoking is prohibited in all UC Santa Cruz facilities, on all University grounds, and on all University-owned and leased properties regardless of location. Smoking, the use of smokeless tobacco products, and the use of unregulated nicotine products (e.g. “e-cigarettes”) is strictly prohibited. This smoke-free policy applies to all indoor and outdoor areas.

Barbeques

Propane gas barbeques are prohibited on campus. Charcoal barbeques are prohibited on all balconies, patios, or within 25 feet of a building. Barbeques can only be used with an RA present or for a college approved function.

Windows

For safety reasons, throwing anything from windows is strictly prohibited. Residents are responsible for damages or clean-up charges that result from this action. Do not exit or enter rooms through windows.

Skateboards

In order to protect the safety of the many pedestrians at UCSC, the use of skateboards, rollerblades, or roller-skates anywhere on campus is strictly prohibited. This campus policy is enforced by the UCSC Police Department, and citations will be issued.

Bicycles, Mopeds, and Motorcycles

To comply with fire regulations and for general purposes of safety, bicycles may not be parked in the walkways, hallways, stairways, or entranceways. Illegally parked bicycles will be impounded at the campus police station. Mopeds and motorcycles must be parked in designated areas. Because they contain flammable liquid, under no circumstances are mopeds and motorcycles allowed into buildings.

Pet Policy

In addition to the campus pet policy, no animal with exception of fish or other aquarium-kept pets, are to be taken into or kept in any residential facility. This prohibition specifically includes, but is not limited to, dogs, cats, birds, monkeys, and rodents. Any resident found to be in possession of an animal, other than fish or other aquarium-kept pets (so gallon tank or less), shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Guest Policy

1. A “guest” is defined as a student or non-student from off-campus, another residence hall, or another college who stays overnight. A “visitor” is a student or non-student from off-campus, another residence hall, or another college, who does not stay overnight.
2. The hosting individual must be a resident of the hall.
3. The housing contract limits the stay of any one guest to a maximum of three consecutive days, and a total of fifteen days during any one academic year. A period of visitation exceeding three consecutive days is a violation of Stevenson’s housing policy.
4. The hosting individual must have permission from his/her roommate before a guest or visitor is permitted. Although roommates are encouraged to work out their hosting privileges with one another, the rights of the residents take priority over those of the guest and visitor. If your roommate does not want the guest, the guest needs to leave.
5. Visitors and guests must abide by all University and residence hall rules and regulations and must show consideration for the community.
6. Guests and visitors may not bring pets.
7. A host student is responsible for their visitor/guest and must ensure that the visitor/guest abides by all University, College, and Housing policies and does not interfere with the enjoyment of the residential facilities by other residents. To ensure this, the host students must accompany their guest/visitor at all times.
8. Guests must be housed only in the hosting students’ rooms. Residence hall lounges are not to be used as guest rooms.

For students living on campus, the residential staff is another component of the student conduct process. Staff, including Community Safety Officers (CSOs), Resident Advisors (RAs), and Coordinators for Residential Education (CREs), work together to teach and model standard behavior.

The rest of Stevenson College’s policies are included online at: www2.ucsc.edu/judicial/