

# **EXHIBIT 5**



## Student Code

### Section 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Purpose

Standards of conduct are established in order to generate an atmosphere in which the mission, vision and values of Grand Valley State University (hereafter "University") can flourish. Individual rights can only be ensured with acceptance of individual and group responsibilities and respect for the rights of others.

Individuals attending and/or entering upon property owned or controlled by the University or engaged in University sponsored activity or program automatically places themselves under the applicable rules and regulations of the institution. The conduct, herein described, provides due process and is consonant with constitutional guarantees.

#### 1.2 Values

The Board of Trustees has adopted [Values for the University](#) and published them in the [Administrative Manual](#).

#### 1.3 Other Applicable Documents

The Grand Valley Manual at <http://www.gvsu.edu/qvmanual/> is the official source for University-wide administrative policies approved by the Senior Management Team, and includes, but not limited to, the policies below:

- **Alcohol and Other Drug Policy**
- **Anti-Harassment Policy**

The Department of Public Safety Services publishes the GVSU Annual Security and Fire Safety Report, available on line at [www.gvsu.edu/gvpsd/](http://www.gvsu.edu/gvpsd/).

#### 1.4 Authority

##### 1.4.1 Authority to Establish Standards of Conduct

In the Administrative Manual, Chapter 5, Section I, the Board of Trustees has delegated the authority to establish "The Student Code, which contains the rules, regulations, and conduct process of the institution, is approved by the president upon recommendation of the appropriate student services administrator."

##### 1.4.2 Effect of Violating the Student Code

A student, or person subject to The Student Code, violating any of the standards of conduct, either on the campus, or off the campus where a federal, state or local law has been violated and where the University's name is authorized in an activity of a student or faculty group or both, is subject to disciplinary action by the University that is appropriate to the nature of the offense and that may take into account a previous conduct record. Disciplinary action may be conditional or final, and it may include one or more of the following: a warning, disciplinary probation, counseling procedures, requirements of restitution, a work penalty, loss of course credit or reduction in grade points (for academic offenses), removal from the University housing, suspension, dismissal, and denial of a University honor or degree or any other such action the University deems appropriate. A degree or honor fraudulently procured may be revoked.

**Note:** Students and members of the University community should be aware of the fact they may be violating University regulations, but also local, state or federal laws, and may be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Such disciplinary action under The Student Code shall be taken in accordance with the applicable procedures within The Student Code. Action may be taken pursuant to The Student Code notwithstanding the occurrence or possibility of legal prosecution, as the University conduct system is not intended to be substituted for criminal prosecution should such prosecution be appropriate.

### **1.5 Change to Student Code**

Grand Valley State University reserves the right to change policies and procedures any time during a student's term of enrollment. Each student is responsible for maintaining current knowledge of disciplinary rules and regulations.

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### Voluntary Compliance

A student shall comply with the legitimate and reasonable directions of University Officials and must identify themselves to these Officials upon request.

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