## RULES OF STUDENT CONDUCT

The following is a non-exhaustive list of rules of conduct for LMU students. Violation of any University rules or policies may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion.

- 1. The University does not accept responsibility for loss of personal property due to theft, fire or vandalism. Students are encouraged to purchase renter's insurance (a student's property may be covered under his/her parents' or guardians' homeowner's policy). All students are encouraged by the Office of Safety and Campus Police and Security to properly secure their property while on campus.
- 2. All students must obtain an LMU Student ID Card ("ID"). Students are required to have a valid form of photo identification at all times while on campus (i.e., LMU ID, driver's license).
- 3. Students under the age of 21 may not possess, consume, sell, use or be in the presence of alcoholic beverages on campus grounds, in University facilities or at University activities. Students may not possess, consume, sell, use or be in the presence of nonprescription drugs on campus grounds, in University buildings or at University activities (see "Policy on Alcohol and Other Drugs").
- 4. Use of tobacco products is prohibited in all University buildings.
- 5. Guns, ammunition, explosives (including firecrackers, fireworks and other flammable materials) or any other potentially dangerous weapons or paraphernalia, concealed or visible (including bladed items over three inches long), or potentially dangerous and unauthorized recreational equipment (such as archery equipment or paintball guns) are prohibited on campus. The discharge of firearms at any time on LMU property will result in a \$500.00 fine and possible arrest. The item will be confiscated and removed from LMU property. Anyone wishing to temporarily store weapons on campus must apply for such arrangements for storage with the Chief of Campus Police and Security **before** these items are brought on campus property. Hunting is not permitted on the campus or surrounding parklands or farmlands owned by the University.
- 6. Abuse or harassment of any person or property on the campus will result in immediate action including payment of damages, fines, and possible removal from campus housing and/or suspension. Please refer to the Harassment Policy in Section II of this *Student Handbook*.
- 7. Falsely reporting fires, bomb threats or other emergencies (either to LMU personnel or local 911 / police force dispatch personnel), falsely setting fire alarms and the non-emergency use of emergency equipment will result in immediate administrative action up to and including suspension or expulsion from the University and prosecution through state and federal laws. Tampering or damaging smoke detectors is subject to a \$250.00 fine and possible suspension.
- 8. Students are prohibited from entering another student's room, faculty or staff offices, or any other campus facility without permission. This includes unauthorized entry into any facility outside of regular working hours.
- 9. Setting off, dismantling, tampering with, or disarming "Emergency Only" residence hall exits can result in a finable offense (up to \$250.00).
- 10. Theft of University property or of someone's personal property is against the law. Penalties may include campus sanctions as well as criminal prosecution.

- 11. Cheating, plagiarism and other similar ethical violations are serious offenses. Penalties for such violations are within the discretion of the faculty member and may range from an "F" in the course to suspension from the University. Appeals of faculty decisions may be pursued through the regular academic appeals process. Violations will be recorded in the Associate Dean of Students disciplinary files. See "Academic Integrity" in section II of this *Student Handbook*.
- 12. Giving false testimony to an investigating staff member or member of a judicial committee, attempting to intimidate or coerce witnesses, or seeking revenge against anyone due to his/her role in a disciplinary procedure will result in appropriate disciplinary action.
- 13. Giving false names or identification to any inquiring LMU staff person will result in disciplinary sanctions.
- 14. Littering the campus is offensive to everyone. Anyone found littering is subject to a \$100.00 fine and will be assigned appropriate community service.
- 15. A student's behavior is not only a reflection of his/her own choices, but is also a strong reflection upon the caliber of students enrolled within the University community. The University may discipline students who commit certain off-campus violations of University policies. Likewise, the University may take disciplinary action with students who commit violations of public law outside the University.
- 16. The falsification of University documents of any kind is prohibited.
- 17. Any residential student missing two weeks of a class may, based on the student's determined reasons when addressed by university, be administratively withdrawn from the residence hall and/or the University. Students missing class excessively will be reported to the office of Dean of Students and / or the Director of Academic Excellence and subject to administrative action.
- 18. The University respects an individual's right to express themselves uniquely and strongly, however, "foul" or "offensive" language or insinuations will not be tolerated.
- 19. All forms of Hazing on the part of any individual, group of individuals or organizations is illegal, and is subject to civil and University disciplinary action. (See complete policy on hazing under the athletics section of this handbook.)
- 20. Creating a digital or photographic image of a fellow student that a reasonable person would find objectionable or obscene, and transmitting such an image via telephone, or posting such an image on social media is prohibited.
- 21. Conduct violations will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis and, according to the seriousness of each incident, may result in sanctions ranging from a simple warning to expulsion from the institution.