



VUL LIBRARY CODE OF CONDUCT

Policy Statement

To provide a safe and appropriate environment within the library that allows all students to use library facilities to the fullest extent during regularly scheduled hours, the library board of trustees has adopted the following rules and regulations.

Regulations

1. Students shall engage in activities associated with the use of a university library. Students not reading, studying or using library materials may be required to leave the building, library program or approved community event.
2. Any student not abiding by these or other regulations and regulations of the library may be required to leave the library premises and may forfeit his or her library privileges. Library employees will contact the police if deemed advisable.
3. The librarian authorizes library staff and law enforcement officers to enforce the library's published code of conduct policy up to and including long-term suspension of library privileges, permanent banning from the library or prosecution.
4. A student whose privileges have been suspended or revoked may have the decision reviewed by the librarian.
5. Persons entering or refusing to leave the building after being evicted or banned will be charged with trespassing. Students shall respect the rights of other students.
6. Students shall not assault, harass or annoy others in the library. This includes noisy or boisterous activities, staring at another person with the intent to annoy that person, following another person about the building with the intent to annoy that person, playing audio equipment so that others can hear it, singing or talking loudly to others or in monologues, using profanity, displaying print or nonprint materials of an offensive nature to others or by behaving in a manner that can be reasonably expected to disturb others.
7. The library requires all individuals to set their cell phones to no-ring (vibrate) mode upon entering the library. Individuals needing to use a cell phone to make or receive calls while in the library must go to the lobby area. Voices must be kept at a reasonable level so as not to disturb other students.
8. Smoking is prohibited throughout the library's facilities.
9. Food and drink is not allowed in the library.
10. Students may not utilize the library while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
11. Students shall not engage in any illegal activity while in the library building. Persons whose actions violate state or local law will be prosecuted.
12. Students shall not interfere with the use of the library by other students or with library employees' performance of their duties.
13. Students shall not deface or mar library materials including books, magazines, newspapers or other

items of the library collection. Nor shall they deface, mar or in any way destroy or damage library furnishings, walls, machines, or other library property.

14. Students shall not enter the building without appropriate clothing including a shirt and shoes.

15. Students shall not bring pets or animals into the library, other than service dogs.

16. Knives with blades longer than 3” and guard dogs are not allowed in the library or on library property. Individuals carrying guns must have a concealed weapons permit on their person.

17. Any materials removed from the library must be checked out on a valid library card or through other standard library procedures such as interlibrary loan.

18. Unauthorized use of the library’s computer network or failure to comply with the library’s Internet Access and Use policy may result in suspension of library privileges.

19. In cases of disruptive behavior student identification including name, address and phone number, may be requested.