

Institutional Code of Conduct

Introduction

Asan Memorial College of Arts and Science is a community with a mission of imparting value-based holistic education along with co-curricular, extra-curricular and skillbased programmes. A specific code of conduct has been developed to ensure that the Collegefulfills its mission of nurturing personal growth and sustaining a college-wide atmosphereconducive to learning and academic excellence. All the students are held accountable to thiscode of conduct during their course of study. As responsible citizens of our community, students agree to abide by college guidelines and standards in exchange for the benefits of being a partoftheAsanMemorialCollegeofArtsand Science.Thecode hasbeendevelopedwith the help of Code of Conduct for Higher Educational Institution.Any change in the codeisapplicabletothecodeofconductoftheinstitution.

Objectives of the Code

The objective of the code is to make students actin a manner that respect the rights, safetyand well-being of others. The intent of the code is to provide a framework to resolve issueswhen civility and respect for the rights of others break down and informal resolution is notpossible.

Students Code of Conduct

1. The students of the College and the Institute are to conduct themselves on and off thecampusin adisciplined and exemplary mannersoas tomaintain the reputation of the institution as well as the irown.

2. Students should greet and respect the teachers and other officials in the institutions. Theymustobeytheinstructions of teachers and behavein a politemanner.

3. Students are restrained from organizing any type of Union or Association activities otherthan those relating to curricular or co-curricular activities and with the prior approval of thePrincipal/Director.

4. Students must not loiter in the College premises or cause disturbance to fellow students bymoving or talking loudly on the corridors, staircases, etc. when the classes are in progress.Free time should be bestspentinthe Collegelibrary.

5. Students should cultivate the habit of reading notices put up on the various college noticeboards.Ignorance of any instructions as contained in the notice will not be accepted as anexcuseforfailingtocomplywithit.

6. Smoking in the premises of the college, destruction of furniture and fittings, spitting, pasting posters, scribbling on the tables & walls, throwing of waste paper and rubbish are prohibited.

7. The students participating in intercollegiate events should behave decently to keep up

8. UndertheTamilNaduGovernmentEducationalRules,thePrincipal/Directorisempowered to impose fine, withhold attendance certificate and suspend or expel any student,ifconsiderednecessarytodoso.

Punctuality

- 1. The classes for shift I begins at 08:30 a.m. and concludesby 01:10 p.m.
- 2. The classes for shift II begins at 01:30 p.m. and concludesby 06:10 p.m.
- 3. Students have to be punctual in attending the classes and coming late will not be entertained on any ground.

Attendance

1. The College assigns top priority to regular attendance in all classes.Students are expected secure 100% attendance for all theory and practical classes.However, the eligibility forappearing in University examinations with minimum of 75% attendance will be accepted subject to valid explanation for absence.

2. For absence due to illness, the request has to be supported by a detailed medical reportfromaRegisteredMedicalPractitioner.

3. For absence due to participation in College or University programmes – request for suchleave shouldbedulyauthorized and submitted in advance.

4. The College encourages active participation in sports, games and other extracurricularactivities. Provision to meet attendance and other academic requirements will be made onlywhen the student represents the College, the University, the State or the Country. An official letter duly signed by the organizing agency and Head of the Department has to be filed in the Principal's Office along with a letter from parents.

5. All leave applications must be countersigned by Parent / Guardian / Warden and must berecommended by the Head of the Department.

6. If candidate remain absent continuously for 5 days without prior permission, the candidateshould come along withhis/herparentstomeet the concerned HOD/Principal.

 $\label{eq:constraint} 7. Submission of leave application with/without medical certificates does not entitle as tudent to earn attendance for the days of his/herabsence.$

8. Attendance is compulsory on the re-opening and closing day of the Vacation & festivalholidaysifany, failing which severe action will be taken against the absentees.

9. Absence from Classtests and Modelexaminations will be severely deal twith.

10. After the final attendance list is put up on the notice board at the end of semester, norequestforthe correctionofattendance willbe entertained.

Dress Code

1.Everystudentisexpectedtobeinsimpleandmodestformaldress.Girlsareexpectedtobe either in saree with sleeved blouse or Churidar or salwar kameez with sleeved longkurtha withduppatta.Boys are expectedtocomeinfullpantsandshirt.

Disciplinary Rules

Don'ts

- 1. Raggingofanykindandanymagnitudeinside/outsidethecollegecampus.
- 2. Possession/ useofcameracellularphoneswithinthecollegecampus.
- 3. Anykindofboisterousanddisturbingbehaviorinthecampus.
- 4. Possession/ useofdrugs, alcoholorpaddling drugs in the campusor anywhere else.
- 5. Anykindofmisconductmisbehaviorinside/outsidethecampus (inpublicplaces,busses,trainsetc.)ordetectionoffootboardtravel,blockingthetraffic,unrulybeha viorinbusses/trains or any kind of annoyance to the public will also result in the immediate withdrawal /permanentcancellationofalltravelconcessions and the scholarships.
- 6. Misusingofinstruments/computersandelectric&electronicdevices inthecampus.
- 7. Causingdamagetocollege/publicproperty.
- 8. Inviting/meetingstrangersorunauthorizedperson(s)insidethecampuswithoutwrittenpermissi onfromthePrincipal.

Examination Guidelines

- 1. Candidateswhohaveearned75% of attendanceare eligible to appear for these mester examination s. (Theory & Practical papers separately)
- 2. CandidateswillnotbeallowedinsidetheexaminationhallwithoutproperHallticket&IdentityCar d.
- 3. MobilePhones&Programmablecalculatorsarenotallowed.
- 4. Lending/Exchangingof calculators orany otheritemsinsidetheexamination hallisstrictlyprohibited.
- 5. Candidatesmustobservesilenceand maintaindisciplineintheexaminationhall.
- 6. Malpracticeormisconductofanykindispunishable. The examination written by such candidates will be treated as absent.

Library Rules & Regulations

- 1. Allthestudentsandstaffofthe collegearemembersofthe collegelibrary.
- 2. Silencemustbemaintained inandaroundthelibrary.
- 3. Nopersonshallwriteordamageormarkonanybookbelongingtothelibrary.
- 4. Readersshallberesponsibleforanydamagecausedtothebooksorotherpropertybelonging to the library and shall be required toreplace such books or property damagedor to pay thrice the value thereof. If one book of a set is damaged, the whole set shall bereplaced.
- 5. Beforeleaving, thereaders shall return the books to the assistant at the counter.
- 6. Membersinthereading roomshall vacatetheir seats10minutersbeforetheclosingtime.
- 7. Theborrowersshouldexaminethebooksatthetimeofreceivingandif founddamaged, it should be brought to thenotice of the librarian.
- $8. \ If the book is found a mage dathetime of return, the borrowershall be held responsible for it.$
- $9. \ Reference books and periodical schall not be lent out and are meant for use within the library.$
- 10. Studentsarenotsupposedtosub-lend either thecardorbookstaken fromthelibrary.

- 11. Absence from the college will not be admitted as an excuse for delay in the return of the books.
- 12. Readersshouldensure that they take their cards when they return the books.
- 13. Studentsmustreturnthecardswhenleavingthecollegeandobtain"NODUESCERTIFICATE"
- 14. Ifabookisnot returnedontimea fineofRs.1/-perbook perdaywill belevied.
- 15. Any change in the rules or regulations or any information will be notified on the librarynoticeboard.
- 16. Useofcellphoneinsidethelibraryisprohibited.

Disciplinary Sanctions

Ragging

1. Ragging is strictly prohibited within and outside the campus.Prompt and severe actionwill be taken against those indulging in Ragging activities as per the Tamil Nadu ProhibitionofRaggingAct1997.

2. As per the Act, ragging means display of noisy, disorderly conduct, doing any act whichcauses or is likely to cause physical or psychological harm or raise apprehension or fear, shame or embarrassment to a student in any educational institution and includes teasing, abusing, playing practical jokes on causing hurt to such student. Asking the student to do anyactorperformsomethingwhichsuchstudentwillnotinthe ordinarycourse willinglydo.

3. As per the law, ragging or abetting in ragging are acts of indiscipline and crime, which theSupreme Court of India in SLP No.24295 of 2006, held as a perverse act having the effect ofdehumanization of the individual affecting his or her self esteem and give directions to treatraggingmore or less at par with rape and atrocities againstwomen,ill-treating personsbelonging to reserved categories etc., fresh students, like other weaker sections of the society,needanddeserveprotection.

4. It has recommended the following punishments which are strictly enforced in the UGCRegulationsoncurbingtheMenaceofRaggingin HigherEducationalInstitutions,2009:

> Penalty For Ragging: Whoeverdirectly orindirectly commits, participates, abets or propagates "ragging" inside or outside any educational institution shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years and shall also be liable to a fine which may extend to two years.

 \succ **Dismissal of Student:** Any student convicted of an offence under the Act shall also be dismissed from the educational institution and such student shall not be admitted in any othere ducational institution.

 \succ Suspension of Student: Whenever any student complains of ragging to the Head of aneducational institution, he/she shall enquire into the same immediately and if found true, shallsuspend thestudentwhohascommittedtheoffence,fromtheeducational institution.

> If any student violates the Code of Conduct which leads to lowering of the esteem of theCollege or involves in ragging or involves in any activity which endangers the dignity andsafety of other students or staff of the college and if the college authorities finds prima facieevidence is available against the student, he/she shall be suspended from the college for amaximumperiodof15days,pendingfurtherenquirybythecollege authorities.

UltimateAuthority

 \succ For all disciplinary matters related to students, the Principal shall be the ultimate authority as provided herein.

Request to Parents

> Parents and Guardians are requested to co-operate with college authorities in the formation of good character, in maintaining regularity in attendance and progress in studies of theirwards.

> Letterswill besentto theparentsofthestudentswhoareirregularinattendance.

> At the same time, they are advised to check in person with HODs/class teachers regarding the attendance of their children/ward.

> Alltheparents/guardianshavetocomewiththeirwardsfor parents-teachers meeting.

Grievances Redressal Committee

The college has a dedicated Students' Grievances Redressal Committee where students canairtheirgrievances. The Principal along with the committee members will address the situation. The students can also approach the college authorities any time to air their grievances.