

Student Bill of Rights

Article I: Rights and Restrictions

- 1) Student Association members shall be afforded the protection of all rights of this Student Constitution, University policy, MNSCU Policy and state and federal laws.
- 2) Neither the University nor any system to which the University belongs shall employ their institutional powers to limit or infringe upon these rights.
- 3) Student Association members shall be afforded equal opportunity without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, reliance on public assistance, physical disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or inclusion in any group or class against which discrimination is prohibited by state or federal law.
- 4) Student Association members shall each have the right to one vote in Student Association general elections and referenda.
- 5) Members of the St. Cloud State University Student Association shall also be members of a statewide student association as determined by applicable laws and policies.
- 6) In addition to the aforementioned rights all students are entitled to the rights and responsibilities set forth by MNSCU policy 3.1.

Article II: Academic Rights

- 1) To encourage free discussion and inquiry, students shall be free to take reasoned exception to the data or views offered in any course of study and to reserve judgment about matters of opinion.
- 2) Student performance shall be evaluated solely on an academic basis.
- 3) Students shall not be subject to unlawful harassment, intimidation, interference with or disruption of classes.
- 4) Prior to enrollment, students shall be provided with relevant information regarding courses. Academic and program information will be comprehensive and accurate.
- 5) Student creators shall reserve their rights to their own intellectual property.

Article III: Privacy Rights

- 1) Students have the right to determine and conduct their own personal lives, so long as they do not violate the law or reasonable University regulations or interfere with the rights of others.
- 2) Students residing on campus shall be free from unreasonable search and seizure to the same extent as students residing off campus.

Article IV: Information Rights

- 1) Students shall have the right of access to institutional information within this University, except that which is specifically protected by state and federal laws.

- 2) In conjunction with the appropriate Student Association representatives, the University shall develop, maintain and publish for the students a Student Record Policy consistent with state and federal laws.

Article V: Participation Rights

- 1) Student representatives shall be incorporated in the process of selecting the executive leadership at the University and System level.
- 2) Through committees and procedure, authorized by Student Government policy, students shall have the right to participate and serve in areas and committees of student and campus interest.

Article VI: Student Activity Rights

- 1) Registered student organizations may sponsor speakers and events with reasonable planning.
- 2) Student funded media shall have editorial autonomy and shall not be subject to censorship nor shall the allocation process be used as a means of editorial control. Student media officers may not be suspended or removed from their posts by Student Government.

Article VII: Public Safety

- 1) All students are required to show ID when interacting with public safety officers.
- 2) Students are not required to submit to a search of private property by public safety officers.
- 3) All cases are submitted to DCI (Dept. of Campus Involvement) to determine further action if necessary.

Article IX: Property Rights

- 1) All tests, exams, and other works the student has intellectual rights to shall be returned in a timely manner after grading or evaluation has taken place unless written permission is given by the student.

Article X: Amendments

- 1) Amendments to the Student Bill of Rights shall follow the same rules as constitutional amendments outlined in Article IX.B.2.