

## **University of Massachusetts Boston Student Leader Code of Conduct**

It is a privilege to serve as a student leader at the University of Massachusetts Boston. With a leadership position come responsibilities.

Student leaders are defined as the following: Undergraduate Student Government officials, Graduate Student Assembly Executive Board, Student Center Coordinators, SAEC Coordinators, Editors of the Media including Mass Media, Yearbook and Watermark, Harbor Art Gallery Director, presidents of recognized student organizations (RSO's), and presidents of recognized professional associations (RPA's).

In addition to adhering to the Student Code of Conduct, student leaders will also be expected to adhere to the following:

1. Understand that it is a privilege to serve as a student leader and requires that I act in the best interests of the student community-at-large and the specific constituents I represent.
2. Be a matriculated degree-seeking student as determined by the University Registrar at all times during appointment. If a student's enrollment status changes while serving in a leadership role, and they are no longer taking classes and/or degree-seeking students their appointment will end.
3. Conduct themselves responsibly and para-professionally both on and off campus, and in a manner that brings credit to the University and their organization.
4. Maintain good academic and disciplinary standing. All student leader positions and club officers must have earned at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average at the time of election or appointment and must maintain a 2.5 throughout their appointment. If found responsible for a violation of the Code of Conduct and the resulting sanction is Disciplinary Probation, Suspension or Expulsion, the leadership appointment will end upon assignment of the sanction
5. Avoid conflicts of interest. The student leader is expected to recuse themselves from any situation in which there is a perceived or real conflict of interest.
6. Should a student leader be referred by the Dean of Students or an academic college with a violation of the Student Code of Conduct, they will be asked to relinquish any benefits of their position, including the power to represent the University in outside conversations, signatory power, pay, or any other benefits. If the student is found not responsible, then these benefits as a student leader shall be immediately reinstated. If the official is paid, any time logged during the suspension of benefits that would qualify for pay under normal conditions shall receive pay for those hours. Should the student leader be found responsible, then they must immediately relinquish their position and all benefits thereof.