BP 5500  Standards of Student Conduct

Reference:
Education Code Sections 66300, 66301; Accreditation Standard II.A.7.b

The President or designee shall establish procedures for the imposition of discipline on students in accordance with the requirements for due process of the federal and state law and regulations.

The procedures shall clearly define the conduct that is subject to discipline, and shall identify potential disciplinary actions, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student.

Suspension or expulsion shall apply to both campuses.

The Board shall consider any recommendation from the President for expulsion. The Board shall consider an expulsion recommendation in closed session unless the student requests that the matter be considered in a public meeting. Final action by the Board on the expulsion shall be taken at a public meeting.

The procedures shall be made widely available to students through the college catalog and other means.

Definitions: The following are examples of conduct that shall constitute good cause for discipline, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student.

1. Causing, attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to another person.
2. Possession, sale or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife or explosive, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student has obtained written permission to possess the item from a District employee, which is concurred in by the Police Chief.
3. Unlawful possession, use, sale, offer to sell, or furnishing, or being under the influence of, any controlled substance listed in California Health and Safety Code Section 11053 et seq., an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind;
or unlawful possession of, or offering, arranging or negotiating the sale of any
drug paraphernalia, as defined in
California Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.

4. Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion.

5. Causing or attempting to cause damage to District property or to private
property on campus.

6. Stealing or attempting to steal District property or private property on campus,
or knowingly receiving stolen District property or private property on campus.

7. Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking has been prohibited
by law or by regulation of the college or the District.

8. Committing sexual harassment as defined by law or by District policies and
procedures.

9. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on race, sex, religion,
age, national origin, disability, or any other status protected by law.

10. Willful misconduct that results in injury or death to a student or to District
personnel or which results in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or
personal property owned by the District or on campus.

11. Disruptive behavior, willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or the
open and persistent defiance of the authority of, or persistent abuse of, college
personnel.

12. Cheating, plagiarism (including plagiarism in a student publication), or
engaging in other academic dishonesty as defined by the college and the
consequences that will be applied.

13. Dishonesty; forgery; alteration or misuse of District documents, records or
identification; or knowingly furnishing false information to the District.

14. Unauthorized entry upon or use of District facilities.

15. Lewd, indecent or obscene conduct or expression on District-owned or
controlled property, or at District sponsored or supervised functions.

   Engaging in expression which includes but is not limited to obscene, libelous
or slanderous remarks, or which so incites students as to create a clear and
present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on District premises, or
the violation of lawful District regulations, or the substantial disruption of the
orderly operation of the District.
17. Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct.

18. Unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any commercial purpose, of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any district policy or administrative procedure.

19. Sexual assault or stalking