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The Student Agreement

Policy and Procedure



Student Experience

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1. BACKGROUND

What is a Student Agreement?

Edinburgh College is a large educational institution, which has over 1,300 staff and 20,000 students.

In order for our students to be successful, and for our staff to provide students with a positive learning experience, it is important students sign up to an agreement which describes their key responsibilities, and outlines the key responsibilities of College staff.

2. SCOPE

What areas does the agreement cover?

The agreement covers the following areas of College student learning activity:

- All students on full-time, part-time, commercial, and outreach programmes, including Schools College Partnership (SCP) activities.
- Students representing the College at external events and extra curricular activities.
- Students on work experience placements as part of a College course.
- Students on residential activities as part of a College course.
- In addition, this policy applies to students who are undertaking a programme of study which involves registration with any regulating body orother associated organisations. In these instances, 'fitness to practice' rules will also apply in addition to this policy.

3. **DETAIL**

What is in the Student Agreement?

A copy of the Student agreement is attached at appendix 1.

Students agree to:

- Uphold the values of the College.
- Respect students, staff and visitors to the College.
- Attend induction and enrollment, classes, tutorials, placements where necessary, events, and other activities that form part of their course.
- Seek advice, guidance and support if students are struggling with their course.
- Adhere to policies, specifically Attendance Policy, Positive Behaviour and Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy, and the IT Acceptable Use Policy, including proper use of Social Media.
- Dressing appropriately for the requirements of courses.
- Follow health and safety procedures.
- Complying with course assessment requirements.
- Checking student communications including texts and emails regularly to ensure awareness of the information sent from the College or ECSA.

College staff agree to:

- Ensure student induction and welcome to the College provides students with all the necessary information, specifically access to funding and course information.
- Ensure students are supported to have a superb student experience and achieve their potential whilst at College.
- Provide timeous and constructive feedback on student work and assessments.
- Provide a safe and respectful environment at the College.
- Provide a supportive environment where positive interaction is encouraged.
- Ensure awareness of key student policies.

When does the student sign the student agreement?

Once the EC number is assigned to a student through enrollment, students should sign the agreement at this time via the Student Portal.

If a student requires support to read and fully understand the agreement, then a Learning and Development Tutor (LDT) will facilitate the signing of the agreement.

Signed agreements will be kept electronically on student file.

What happens when a student breaches the agreement and College policies?

An initial discussion with lecturer and/or LDT will take place, and they will agree a suitable course of action based on the relevant policy.

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information on student policy and procedures can be found on the Student Portal.

Appendix 1 Academic session 2019/20

Edinburgh College – Student Agreement

As a student of Edinburgh College I agree to:

- Uphold the values of the College.
- Respect students, staff and visitors to the College.
- Attend induction and enrollment, classes, tutorials, placements where necessary, events, and other activities that form part of my course.
- Seek advice, guidance and support if I am struggling with my course.
- Adhere to policies, specifically Attendance Policy, Positive Behaviour and Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy, and the IT Acceptable Use Policy, including proper use of Social Media.
- Dress appropriately for the requirements of my course.
- Follow health and safety procedures.
- Complying with course assessment requirements.
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