Freshmen Briefing – Living and Learning on Campus
Learning As Young Adults – Transitioning to a University Environment, Preparation for the Workplace.

All students are required to abide by NTU’s Student Code of Conduct
NTU’s Student Code of Conduct

- Integrity in learning and research
- Respect for others
- Observance of laws, rules and policies

✓ Lays down key principles that students are expected to live out and abide by.

➢ To create and maintain a safe and conducive environment within the NTU Community to Learn, Live, Work and Play

✗ Mirrors what is valued and unacceptable conduct at the work place.
NTU’s Student Code of Conduct – Expected Behaviour

Integrity in learning and research

Zero tolerance on academic misconduct/dishonesty including:
- Cheating in quizzes, examinations
- Plagiarism in reports, assignments
- Falsification of research findings
- Violating intellectual property laws
- Providing false information

Respect for others

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Observance of Laws, Rules and Policies

Including:

• University and Student Codes of Conduct
• University statutes, regulations, policies, and procedures
• Singapore law and the laws of any country that they visit during their time as an NTU student.
• The rules of any other university, institution or organisation that they visit, attend or work at during their time as an NTU student.

To cultivate a conducive environment to learn, live and play for all
Antiharassment
in NTU

Examples include:
- Inappropriate, threatening, abusive messages, emails, social media posts
- Cyberbullying, doxing
- Mass sharing of false/unverified information
- Inappropriate physical contact or verbal comments
- Voyeurism, indecent exposure

Please seek help from any NTU Faculty/Staff if you experience any form of perceived harassment.

Complete the compulsory online Co-Curriculum Learning module: “Fostering a Community of Respect”.
Ragging

Any action taken or situation created that cause a risk of harm to an individual’s physical, emotional and psychological well-being.

- normally done in conjunction with induction into a group, e.g., during orientation

Examples include:
- Cheers that are disrespectful to individuals or groups of individuals
- Acts that are aimed at humiliating others
- Teasing or taunting (especially of freshmen) that makes others uncomfortable
- Inappropriate contact between individuals or compromising body positions

Consent of participants is not a valid defence to a charge of ragging.
IT misconduct

- Infringement of software piracy / pornography laws
- Illegal top-up of stored value cards (e.g. Hall air-con cards)
- Hacking and unauthorised use of other’s computer accounts

Abuse/misuse of NTU property

- Tampering of security locks, cameras
- Vandalism
NTU’s Student Code of Conduct – Unacceptable Behaviour

Social Media / Instant Messaging / Cyber-etiquette

- Cyber-bullying
- Doxxing
- Posting of personal information on social media / instant messaging
- Posting of private conversations without permission on social media / instant messaging
Singapore Law on Smoking

Year 2020

Year 2021 onwards

Legal “smoking age”

Educational Institutions are smoke-free
Smoking is not allowed in NTU Campus, except in designated smoking areas (DSAs). Location of DSAs: Click here

[Smoking (Prohibition in Certain Places) Act, Singapore]

Help can be sought at Health Promotion Board’s Quitline, 1800 4382000.
Singapore Law on Vaping

• **Note:** Purchase, usage and possession of emerging and imitation tobacco products (e.g. e-cigarettes, e-pipes and e-cigars) are not legal (regardless of one’s age).

• Offenders can be fined up to $2,000 by law.

[Tobacco (Control of Advertisements and Sale) Act, Singapore]

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Singapore’s Drug Laws
The Misuse of Drugs Act 1973

• It is an offence to
  • Traffic controlled drugs
  • Possess and consume controlled drugs
  • Consume controlled drugs outside of Singapore
  • Possess drug paraphernalia
  • Allow and facilitate drug activities

• Commonly abused drugs
  • Methamphetamine (aka Glass, Speed, Ice, Ya Ba, Shabu)
  • Cannabis (aka Marijuana, Pok, Grass, Weed, Ganja)
  • Heroin (aka White, Smack, Junk, Powder, Ubat)
Consumption of Liquor / Alcoholic beverages

Legal drinking age in Singapore is 18. Legal age to buy liquor / alcoholic beverages is 18. Legal age to drink liquor / alcoholic beverages in any licensed premises (e.g. restaurants) is 18.

Drinking of liquor / alcoholic beverages is banned in all public places from 10.30 pm to 7 am. Public places are places where a person has free access (e.g. carparks, canteens, parks etc).

Contravention can attract fines of up to $1,000 and repeat offenders may be fined up to $2,000 and jailed up to 3 months.

[liquor Control (Supply and Consumption) Act, Singapore]

Do guard against alcohol (or other substance) abuse and addiction
Help can be sought at National Addictions Management Service’s Helpline, 67326837.
Violation of code of conduct may result in:
- Disciplinary action taken against students
- Possible report against violators to the authorities for criminal offences

Process upon complain being lodged:

- **Preliminary inquiry**
  - Determine whether matter has sufficient merit to warrant escalation / further investigation

- **Committee of inquiry**
  - To investigate and establish facts pertaining to misconduct
  - To assess if student is guilty of misconduct

- **Board of disciplinary**
  - For misconduct deemed as serious
Violation of Student’s Code of Conduct

Example of sanctions may include:

- Mandatory counselling
- Issuance of verbal or written letter of warning
- Imposition of a fine
- A “Fail” grade
- Barred from hall application
- Suspension or withholding of degree certificate
- Referral to external law enforcement agencies for further action
- Expulsion

Students who are undergoing investigations may:

1. have their results withheld
2. have applications for Hall stay put on hold
3. have other student privileges withheld pending outcome
# Important Contacts

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<td>- Fire and medical emergencies</td>
<td>Campus security</td>
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Starting off right, and making the most of university life.....

Your personal and collective effort will determine the extent you benefit from university experience. Take care of yourself and each other and develop yourself holistically

Learn from each other, and bring out the best in each other - Mutual Learning and Mutual Respect

Be a positive bystander and play an active role in NTU’s culture of supporting each other. (If we see something that’s not right or may go wrong, each of us must intervene actively and appropriately.)

Embrace the NTU graduate attributes of Character, Competence, Cognitive Agility (3 Cs)

Be co-owners, co-drivers and co-creators of the NTU Experience
Enjoy our Freshmen Transition and Orientation Programmes.

Make new friends, Take ownership in learning and have a good transition to university life.