



Community Standards 2009-2010

Violations of the following rules and regulations subject a student to disciplinary action pursuant to processing by the appointed disciplinary body of the University of San Diego.

Visitors and Guests

1. University Housing Regulations allow for intervisitation in units only during the scheduled hours noted below. Intervisitation refers to persons of one gender visiting persons of the opposite gender in the latter's residence.
 - a. Intervisitation days and hours in Camino, Founders, and Maher Halls, San Dimas Missions A and B, the San Antonio de Padua, San Buenaventura Apartments, and the Alcalá Vista Apartments:
 - Friday and Saturday.....10:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.
 - Sunday - Thursday.....10:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight
 - b. Intervisitation Days and Hours in the Presidio Terrace Apartments, the University Terrace Apartments, and Manchester Village.
 - Sunday - Saturday.....10:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.
2. Cohabitation within University Student Housing areas is prohibited.
3. No more than 6 guests may be in a room at one time, or it is considered a party
4. Guests are to be accompanied by their hosts at all times.
5. Hosts are responsible for the behaviors and/actions of their guests. It is the responsibility of the host to inform their guests of applicable policies and procedures within the Community Standards and/or the Student Code of Conduct.
6. Guests who infringe upon the rights of residents may be asked to leave campus or University Housing by University Officials.
7. Guests must have a picture ID at all times.

Alcohol and other drugs

1. All new students are required to complete an online alcohol prevention program as designated by the Center for Health & Wellness Promotion prior to initial check in to the University's residence halls. Failure to complete this program by the established deadline will result in a \$250 fine assessed directly to the student's account.
2. Consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus is prohibited except in compliance with California State Law (drinking for persons of 21 years of age or older). No one under 21 years of age and no more than six guests may be present when alcohol is being consumed. Students of legal age may exercise the option to consume alcohol only in San Antonio de Padua Apartments, San Buenaventura Apartments, Alcalá Vista Apartments, the Presidio Terrace Apartments, the University Terrace Apartments, and Manchester Village. If a resident of the room is under the age of 21, they cannot be present the room where drinking is

- occurring. They may be in their room with the door closed. Absolutely no alcohol consumption is permitted in Camino, Founders, Maher, San Dimas Missions A and B, and the freshman floors of the San Antonio de Padua Apartments.
3. Establishment of a private bar, storage of excessive quantities of alcohol (more than 2 handles of hard liquor or one large case of beer), or possession and/or use of a tap or keg is prohibited in all residential housing areas. Compliance with all requests by Residential Life or Security Personnel for proof of 21 year-old status is required, and failure to comply with such a request will subject an individual to serious disciplinary sanctions up to and including expulsion from the University.
 4. Use or possession of controlled substances (i.e. marijuana, cocaine, ecstasy, etc.) or abuse of prescription/over the counter medication is prohibited.
 5. Items pertaining to alcohol, including beer cans/bottle displays (full or empty) or alcohol-related items may not be displayed in individual rooms. Drug paraphernalia (i.e. bongs and pipes) is strictly prohibited.
 6. Smoking and the use of any tobacco products, including hookahs, are prohibited at all times in all residence hall areas (i.e., student rooms, lounges, bathrooms, hallways, balconies, bridges, stairwells and entry areas). Tobacco products may not be sold, distributed or promoted on University property. Residents who choose to smoke must maintain a distance of at least 25 feet from any openings to University buildings.
 7. In a room where alcohol consumption is permitted, no more than six (6) guests, 21 years of age or older, may be present while alcohol is being consumed. NO guests under 21 years of age may be present in the room while alcohol is being consumed. When alcohol is being consumed, all room doors must be closed.

Room Conduct

1. Quiet hours designated for study and sleep time shall run from 7 p.m. to 10 a.m., (Sunday - Thursday) and 10 p.m. to 10 a.m. (Friday and Saturday). Residents should, however, show consideration for one another at all times.
2. No television set, radio, stereo (including the bass), or other noise producing instrument may be operated at any time at a volume which in the judgment of the Residence Hall staff is unreasonably loud. This also includes shouting or screaming in a residence hall room.
3. Fire hazards, including but not limited to, burning incense, burning candles, halogen lamps, exposed heating elements, personal barbecues, and flammable liquids and solvents (gasoline, kerosene, lighter fluid, propane, etc.) are strictly prohibited in or around any living area. Doors that open into exit corridors are fire rated and may not be propped open.
4. Misuse and/or tampering with fire equipment (fire alarms, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers or hoses, etc.) is strictly prohibited. Nothing may be hung from sprinkler pipes or any part of the fire sprinkler system.
5. Fish in a bowl of 10 gallons or less are permitted. Aquariums of larger dimensions are not allowed. All types of domestic or wild animals are prohibited in housing areas. The exception is ADA approved assistance dogs as required by law. All other pets will result in a minimum fine of \$100 plus \$25 for each day the pet remains in the residence hall.

6. Nothing may be thrown from any residence hall.
7. Acquisition of an illegally duplicated residence hall key/card will result in disciplinary action and jeopardize campus housing privileges.
8. Installation of an unauthorized personal lock on any door or window is prohibited.
9. It is prohibited for any student to sell, purchase, print, view or display obscene, offensive, or erotic material in a common/public area of a residence hall and/or an apartment including doors and windows. This is subject to but not limited to material obtained via the internet, pornographic pictures, jokes, written material or the use of live entertainment.
10. In a room where alcohol consumption is permitted, no more than six (6) guests, 21 years of age or older, may be present while alcohol is being consumed, and NO guests under 21 years of age may be present in the room while alcohol is being consumed. When alcohol is being consumed, all room doors must be closed.

Room and Roommate Changes

1. The Office of Residential Life assigns rooms and roommates. The staff reserves the right to make assignments and changes as necessary.
2. No room or roommate changes will be made during the first two weeks of each semester.
3. All residents are required to complete a Roommate Agreement. Roommate agreements will be kept on file with their Community Director.
4. Residents are encouraged to talk to their roommate(s) first to resolve conflicts or violations of the roommate agreement. In cases where the residents cannot reach resolution on their own, they should consult with their Resident Assistant(s). The Resident Assistant(s) will attempt to resolve the situation through mediation. If the residents and Resident Assistant(s) cannot resolve the situation, the students will be referred to the Community Director. The Community Director will mediate and resolve the situation.
5. If residents wish to change rooms, they should obtain a copy of the room change checklist and form from the Office of Residential Life. The brochure explains all the steps to properly complete a room change. We encourage each student to find another student willing to change rooms with him/her or a vacancy that he/she would prefer somewhere in the system. The Office of Residential Life will assist anyone in identifying available vacancies. Once an available room is identified or another student is willing to change rooms, residents need to obtain a room-change approval form from their Community Director, which then must be brought to the Office of Residential Life. The resident will then be required to complete additional paperwork and be issued access to their new assignment. The staff reserves the right to make assignments and changes as necessary.
6. There is no charge for properly completed room changes (aside from any room rate changes). Failure to follow the procedures will result in disciplinary action. Room and roommate change requests for the spring semester should be made by notifying the Office of Residential Life prior to the beginning of finals week for fall semester.

Furniture/Appliances

1. Theft, damage or defacing of University property is prohibited.
2. Residents are responsible for all burns, stains or any other physical damage to floors, floor covering, furniture, window coverings or any other surfaces or fixtures in housing areas.
3. Removal of community furniture to a private room or use of any common area item for personal use is prohibited.
4. No wood and/or upholstered University furniture is allowed to be removed from the residence hall rooms to balconies, lounges, walkways, bridges, outdoors, or storage companies at anytime. A \$25 fine will be assessed for each piece of furniture outside of the residence room per 24 hour period or the resident will be responsible for the total replacement cost of any furniture which is lost or damaged.
5. No furniture of any kind is allowed to be left outside unattended, except in approved areas with the permission of your Community Director. Any furniture left unattended will result in a \$25 fine per 24 hour period.
6. Window screens shall not be removed for any reason, with a minimum fine of \$100 being assessed per violation. The assignment of the fine will be divided equally among the residents of the unit unless responsibility can be placed to a particular person. Damage to a screen shall constitute removal. Damaged screens will be repaired on a continuing basis, with associated costs passed on to the residents of the unit.
7. No waterbeds, lofts or similar furnishings are permitted in housing areas except for lofts from Collegiate Concepts, Inc.
8. Residents are not allowed to disassemble any furniture in the room (including beds, desks, dressers, etc.).
9. Removal/Unhinging of doors (bathroom doors, closet doors etc.) is prohibited in the residence halls.
10. Beds are to be properly bunked using the bunking pegs provided by the Office of Residential Life. Beds cannot be bunked on desks, dressers or any other surface.
11. Residents wishing to bring or rent their own refrigerators are restricted to 5 cubic feet or smaller.
12. Possessions may not be stored or left in any area where they may become a fire hazard or impede access and/or egress.
13. Power strips with surge protection should be used when additional electrical outlets are needed. Extension cords shall not be used as a substitute for permanent wiring. Extension cords shall only be used when servicing grounded portable appliances. The ampacity of the extension cords shall not be less than the rated capacity of the portable appliance supplied by the cord. Multiple outlet octopus plugs are not permitted. All extension cords and power strips must be UL approved. Utilization of electrical appliances is subject to the evaluation and discretion of the Residence Hall staff.
14. The orange/gray electrical outlet found in some residence hall rooms is dedicated to computer and video equipment only (fine for misuse).

Room Cleanliness and Damage

1. Communal and individual rooms in residence halls will be subject to periodic inspection for their cleanliness and for damages. Should there be damages or a problem with cleanliness, the resident(s) of the room will be responsible for restoring rooms or common areas to acceptable standards. Repair work will be scheduled at the discretion of the residence hall staff and may occur while residents occupy their rooms. Repair costs will be assessed and payable immediately. Charges not paid when assessed will be deducted from the residents' damage deposit. Charges will be assessed per determination of an individual's responsibility or to all assigned roommates if responsibility is coequal or determination of responsibility cannot be individually assigned. Charges for communal area damage will be assigned per determination of individual or collective responsibility.

Cleanliness is defined as a reasonable person's expectation of healthy order in an ordinary living environment. **Damage** is defined as destruction of permanent fixtures, structure configuration, violation of original surface area finish or destruction of University furniture.

2. Decorative stickers may not be applied to the walls, doors, windows, furniture or ceiling of any residence hall room.
3. Nails, screws, tacks, staples and hooks may be utilized sparingly. Holes left by these items used to hang decorations on walls must be properly spackled and/or sanded prior to departure. Painting charges may be assessed. Tape or gummy adhesives are expressly prohibited.

Sales and Solicitation

1. All student advertising must be posted in designated areas and comply with established guidelines for display of such materials.
2. All sales and solicitations within the parameters of the campus area must be approved in writing by the Dean of Students or their authorized representative.
3. No commercial or private organization may post, exhibit or distribute materials unless approved by the Dean of Students or their authorized representative.
4. Pursuit of personal activities on University premises for purposes of personal income is prohibited unless authorized by the Office of Student Affairs.

Other

1. Failure to comply with the directions of University acting in performance of their University duties is prohibited. Prohibited conduct includes verbally threatening, abusing or harassing of any of the above in the performance of their duties.
2. Residents should not loan out, use, or borrow any student ID card. All residents are responsible for the use of their ID card by any person. Residents found abusing their ID card will be subject to the Student Conduct process.
3. Riding or parking/storage of motorized vehicles on sidewalks, pedestrian pathways, residential courtyards or in any University building is prohibited.
4. Climbing or other activity on the facade, roofs or adjacent building extensions is strictly prohibited.
5. Every person within a building must respond to a fire alarm by immediately exiting the premises. Reentry to the premises is permitted only on the signal of

authorized Residential Life, Public Safety or fire department personnel. Tampering with fire equipment is strictly prohibited. Violations will result in disciplinary action, jeopardize campus housing privileges and be subject to a maximum fine of \$1,000.

6. Unauthorized entry/exit through windows or emergency exits is strictly prohibited. A minimum fine of \$100 will be assessed per violation.
7. Unpaid discipline fines will be added to a student's account and must be paid to complete registration for the semester following the fine.
8. Any forgery, alteration or other misuse of institutional documents, identification or records is prohibited.
9. Possession of illegal knives, firearms, pellet guns, skeet rifles, paint guns, potato guns, spear guns, sling shots, bows & arrows, air rifles, pistols or any other form of weapon, sporting instrument, self-defense instrument or ammunition for any purpose within a housing area is absolutely prohibited.
10. Possession and/or use of explosive material (i.e., firecrackers of all types, dynamite or any other similar item) is absolutely prohibited.
11. Electric and percussion musical instruments may be stored in the residence areas. However, any use of such instruments must be confined to University provided practice facilities with approval of residence hall staff.
12. Storage or use of any materials requiring the use of ventilation hoods, eye wash stations, or safety showers (e.g. photograph development supplies) is prohibited.
13. All resident vehicles must have an appropriately displayed University parking permit. Full size cars may not be parked in spaces designated for compact cars.
14. No personal items (including but not limited to television antennas or dishes, clothing, towels, flags, wet suits, signs, and posters) may be displayed or attached in such a manner that they are visible from outside the resident rooms.
15. Trampolines, hot-tubs, window air-conditioners, personal clothing washers and dryers, or other items deemed as inappropriate by the Office of Residential Life are prohibited in housing areas.