

Online Classroom Policies and Expectations

The Office of Student Conduct and CARE Team are dedicated to ensuring productive, safe virtual classrooms for all students and instructors. As a reminder, the WVU Student Code of Conduct still applies to **all** students regardless of their physical location.

Behavioral Expectations

- Awareness of intended audience (e.g., classes are meant for students currently enrolled in the course, and you must not enter or share a class meeting with someone unauthorized)
- General etiquette (e.g., mute microphones when not speaking, raise hand virtually to ask a question, turn off camera if you're stepping away)
- Discussions (e.g., you can disagree with others but should do so respectfully and constructively)
- Privacy (e.g., students should consult with the instructor to receive permission to record the class)
- Communicate instances of disruptive behaviors to the proper instructor, faculty member, or escalate the complaint when necessary

Examples of Unacceptable Behavior

- Offensive/inappropriate discussion posts or submissions
- Harassment of others, either inside or outside of the course space
- Inappropriate or concerning behavior in a synchronous session
- Inappropriate or confrontational email, classroom, group or telephone communications

Possible Consequences for Disruptive/Unacceptable Behavior

- Class removal (individual class periods)
- Grade reductions (under syllabus guidelines)
- Disciplinary action taken by the Office of Student Conduct
- Disruptions and misconduct may violate local, state, or federal laws

For More Information

- Expected and acceptable behavior—refer to your syllabus or contact your instructors directly
- Student conduct process—visit studentconduct.wvu.edu or contact the Office of Student Conduct at wvustudentconduct@mail.wvu.edu
- CARE Team—visit careteam.wvu.edu or contact the CARE Team at CARETeam@mail.wvu.edu.