Student Conduct in Residence Guidelines

A central task of the Institute is the provision of tertiary education and training programs which engage students in the development of appropriate responses to issues of cultural protocol, cultural safety, cultural sensitivity, cultural survival, cultural maintenance, renewal and transformation, within the context of the national and international social, political and economic order. The Residence Guidelines work in conjunction with Institute rules and policies (in particular the Student Code of Conduct Rules - http://www.batchelor.edu.au/biite/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/StudentCodeofConduct.pdf).

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that students have a safe and non-threatening environment whilst residing in Student Residences. The rights of individual residents should be respected and include the right to privacy, security and a healthy living environment. The individual must in turn accept responsibility for their actions and the consequences of their actions. Individual rights can only be upheld where they do not violate the rights of other individuals or the community in general.

The Institute affirms that the right of all residents is to live free from harassment and discrimination of any kind, including harassment, ridicule or discrimination based upon gender or sexual preference, race, religion, age, disability, nationality or marital status. Harassment or discrimination in any form is unacceptable and is illegal under both Commonwealth and Northern Territory Laws.

These Guidelines apply to all students living on residence at a campus or regional/remote training centres where students may reside.

If you live in a Batchelor Institute Student Residence you agree to:

1. Act in a considerate manner towards your fellow residents and staff at all times;
2. Stay within the designated Men’s and or Women’s residences as allocated.
3. Respect the rights and property of others and agree to:
   - Only enter another resident’s room when invited;
   - Only use another resident’s property with their permission;
   - Have respect for common property (eg. kitchens, furniture, common rooms and laundries);
   - Have respect for privacy and quiet enjoyment in their rooms, from other residents;
4. Not to act in a reckless or dangerous manner that potentially can cause harm to self, others or damage the facility;
5. Take responsibility for your own health and wellbeing;
6. Accept the cultural diversity of backgrounds and beliefs of other residents and abide by the Student Code of Conduct;
7. Not to smoke outside of designated areas;
8. Observe the noise, alcohol and safety instructions of the Residences;
9. Take responsibility for the security of your own property & the property of others;
10. Participate fully and equally in maintaining your residence in a clean, comfortable and hygienic condition at all times;
11. Commit to your own academic success and actively support the academic success of fellow residents;
12. Take responsibility for your actions and admit when you have been wrong;
13. Maintain open and honest communication with other residents and staff at all times;
14. Ensure that furniture and equipment provided in common areas and residents’ rooms remains where located and is not to be moved/relocated by residents. While chairs (excluding soft furnishings) may be taken outside for temporary use, they must be immediately returned to their correct room immediately after use.
Accident or emergency
In the event of an accident or emergency, please contact the Residential Manager or delegate for assistance.

Guests
Residents may invite guests to student residences, but the following conditions apply:
• Guests should not stay overnight;
• All guests must be invited by and accompanied by a resident. This resident must accept responsibility for their guest/s and the consequence of their guests’ actions. Damage or trouble caused by a guest will be deemed to be the responsibility of the resident who invited them.

Illegal drugs
Illegal drugs are strictly forbidden at student residences. The possession, cultivation, usage, or selling of any non-prescribed or illegal drugs and/or the possession of any equipment to aid the use of illegal drugs or substances is prohibited.

Identification
Residents should obtain a Student Identification (ID) card from Student Support as soon after arrival as possible. Residents may need to produce photo ID when returning to campus outside of normal business hours.

Political and Religious Views / Solicitation
Residents are encouraged to discuss and debate their political and religious views, however, no resident has the right to force their opinion and views on another in a way that is abusive or which causes physical or emotional harm or distress, and no person may be discriminated against or oppressed because of their beliefs.

Smoking
Smoking of any substance is prohibited in all rooms and buildings.

Storage of personal items
Student Residence has no facility to store any personal items after a student has departed. Any items left by students will be disposed of.

Weapons
Weapons, including knives, and firearms and ammunition are prohibited at Batchelor Institute and in residents’ rooms. Flammable and dangerous items such as fireworks, flammable liquids and gases, home brew kits, stills etc. are forbidden at Batchelor Institute.

This Residential Guidelines are supported by the Institute’s Student Code of Conduct. A finding of misconduct under the Student Code of Conduct may lead to penalties, which may include warning, restriction or exclusion from the Residences or the Institute.

By accepting the offer of accommodation, students agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Guidelines.

Associated Documents
Student Code of Conduct
Student Complaints and Appeals Policy
VET & Research Student Guide

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