



REGULATIONS REGARDING DISCIPLINE AND CONDUCT OF STUDENTS OF NORTHERN UNIVERSITY

These regulations shall apply to all students on the rolls of the University. A student on the rolls of the University who violates these regulations shall be guilty of indiscipline and misconduct and liable to disciplinary action being taken against him/her under these Regulations.

1. Acts of Indiscipline and Misconduct

The following, among others, shall constitute acts of indiscipline and misconduct for which action may be taken against the student or students:

- (a) Breach of any rule of public morals;
- (b) Use of indecent or filthy language in class rooms, residential halls, playgrounds and on the Campus;
- (c) Use of immodest, improper and provocative dress;
- (d) Use of undesirable remarks or gestures;
- (e) Disorderly behavior, such as, shouting, abusing quarrelling, fighting and insolence;
- (f) Use or attempt or threat to use force;
- (g) Defiance of authority;
- (h) Impersonation perjury, giving false information, willful suppression of information, cheating, deceiving and stealing;
- (i) Visiting places out of bound for students; unless allowed to visit with a pass;
- (j) Inciting or staging a walk-out, a strike or an unauthorized procession;
- (k) Shouting of slogans derogatory to the prestige of the University, the reputation of its teachers and officers;
- (l) Use of intoxicants;
- (m) Keeping of licensed or unlicensed arms;
- (n) Failure to comply with any penalty imposed by a University disciplinary authority;
- (o) Causing loss or damage to University property movable or immovable;
- (p) Actions defamatory of and derogatory to Islam and Pakistan;
- (q) Spreading false news, rumors or panic. Cheating in the University Examination. Conviction for any criminal offence by a Court of law;
- (r) Any act on the part of a University student to bring or attempt to bring political or other outside influence directly or indirectly on the President, the Vice President, the Rector or any officer, or any Authority or teacher of the University.

2. Competent Authorities and Penalties

The Disciplinary Committee of the University and Hall Wardens, after consultation with the Disciplinary Committee of Halls, shall be competent to take disciplinary action against students found guilty of misconduct and indiscipline. The disciplinary action may take one and/or more of the following forms, depending on the nature of indiscipline or misconduct:

- (a) Imposition of fines;
- (b) Recovery of loss or breakage of movable and immovable University property;



- (c) Placing a student on probation;
- (d) Suspension from the rolls;
- (e) Rustication; and
- (f) Expulsion.

3. Major and Minor Penalties

For the purposes of these regulations:

- (a) The following penalties shall be deemed to be minor penalties:
 - (i) Imposition of fine less than Rs. 5000/-
 - (ii) Recovery of loss or breakage of movable and immovable University property;
 - (iii) Placing a student on probation;
 - (iv) Suspension from the rolls;
- (b) The following shall be deemed to be major penalties:
 - (i) Imposition of fine more than Rs. 5000/-;
 - (ii) Rustication;
 - (iii) Expulsion.

4. Payment of Fine

A fine when imposed shall be payable within ten days of its notification, failing which the name of the defaulter shall be struck off the University rolls.

5. Recovery of Loss or Breakage of Property

A student shall be liable to make good the loss caused by him/her to the University property within 15 days of the notification of the order by the Competent Authority. Failure to make good the loss shall be considered an act of indiscipline and misconduct, within the meaning of regulations. The name of such a student shall be struck off the rolls for failure to make good the loss, and besides, the competent authority, with the prior approval of the Rector, may initiate legal proceedings against him/her in a court of law.

6. Placing on Probation

A student may be placed on probation by the competent authority for a specified period and such period of probation may be extended if the student fails to improve his/her conduct. Continued failure to improve his/her conduct may lead to further disciplinary action.

7. Suspension from Rolls



- (a) A student may be **suspended** from classes for a period not exceeding eight weeks at a time. Such a student may be asked to pay a fine of absence as prescribed for the period of suspension. A student suspended from the classes may be reinstated or his/her period of suspension may be extended, as the case may be, by the competent authority.
- (b) A student committing an act of major indiscipline and misconduct may be **rusticated** for one semester or two semesters which shall mean the loss of one or two semesters to the rusticated student.
- (c) A student committing an act of major indiscipline and misconduct may be **expelled** from the University for at least two academic years or four semesters from the date of expulsion.

8. Notification of Rustication or Expulsion

- (a) The name(s) of the rusticated or expelled student(s) communicated by the competent authority shall be notified by the Registrar, with the approval of the Rector, and name(s) of such student(s) shall be struck off the rolls of the University. The University shall not issue a migration certificate to such students.
- (b) Acts of indiscipline and misconduct committed by University student(s) and penalties imposed under these regulations shall invariably be intimated to the parents/guardians of the student concerned.

9. Readmission of Rusticated Student

- (a) It shall be obligatory on the part of the Faculty concerned to readmit the rusticated student, if he/she wishes to rejoin the University in the beginning of the next academic year or on the lapse of two semesters.
- (b) An expelled student shall not be readmitted to the University, except with the special permission of the BOG after the explicit undertaking given by the student, countersigned by his/her parent/guardian, the Head of Department and the Dean to abide by the rules of conduct of the University and not to repeat any act of misconduct and indiscipline.

10. Disciplinary Committee

The cases of indiscipline and misconduct shall be investigated by the Disciplinary Committee of the University.

11. Disciplinary Committee for Residential Halls

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these regulations, the Hall Warden, may, in consultation with the Disciplinary Committee of Halls, impose the following penalties on



residential students of Halls for acts of indiscipline and misconduct committed in the residential Halls:

- (a) Imposition of fine up to Rupees 500/-.
- (b) Recovery of loss to University property.
- (c) Placing a student on probation.
- (d) Expulsion from the Residential Halls.

The Disciplinary Committee for Residential Halls shall comprise the Hall Warden as Chairman and two or more Hall Superintendents as members.

12. Procedure for Investigations

The Disciplinary Committee shall:

- (a) Frame charges and communicate it to the student together with a statement of allegations, explaining the charges and of any other relevant circumstances which are proposed to be taken into consideration.
- (b) Require the student, within a reasonable time, which shall not be less than 4 days or more than 7 days, from the day the charges have been communicated to him/her, to put in a written defense and to state, at the same time, whether he/she desires to be heard in person.
- (c) Enquire into the charges and examine such oral or documentary evidence in support of the charges, or in defense of the student, as may be considered necessary and the student shall be allowed to cross examine the witnesses against him/her.
- (d) Determine on the basis of evidence and proceedings of enquiry whether the act of indiscipline or misconduct warrants a major or a minor penalty and communicate its recommendations to the competent authority for final order.
- (e) In case the student fails to respond to the notice issued to him/her, the decision will be taken against him/her provided that the student under legal detention or hospitalized may respond to the said notice within seven days after the release.

13. Proceedings for Serious Acts of Indiscipline

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these regulations, a student accused of a serious act of indiscipline, such as:
 - (i) Indulging in any criminal act(s); or
 - (ii) Provoking the students to demonstration or boycott of classes; inside or outside the University;
 - (iii) Bringing fire arms on the campus; or
 - (iv) Indulging in any immoral act.



- (b) Shall be proceeded against immediately by the Disciplinary Committee concerned and the proceedings shall be concluded within 48 hours of the commission of the offence and act of indiscipline. The accused shall be given an opportunity to be personally heard and in case of absence or non-appearance the notice of the proceedings shall be given to the parents/guardian, if available, for ensuring the attendance. The ex-parte action shall be taken against those who would not be available. Before taking ex-parte action, a notice shall be posted on Notice Board or at a prominent part of the buildings of the campus. In case allegations leveled against the accused are proved, the penalty of expulsion shall be imposed upon him/her.
- (c) The matter shall also be reported to the police about the commission of offence having been committed, as and when required.

14. Appeal or Review against Penalty

- (a) A student on whom a major penalty has been imposed under these regulations, may within 30 days from the date of the communication of the order, appeal to the Rector against that order or apply for review of the order.
- (b) The Rector may, after obtaining advice of the Disciplinary Committee, dismiss the appeal or acquit the appellant, order a fresh enquiry, reduce, or enhance the penalty.
- (c) The appeal against the orders passed in a case of minor penalty may be made to the competent authority within fifteen days from the communication of the order for consideration.
- (d) The decisions reached by the Rector and/or Disciplinary Committee shall be considered as final and shall not be challenged in any court of law.