Community Standards
NORMS FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

On March 11, 1976, the Community Council affirmed the following principles as “Norms for Community Living.” These are the set of community standards to which Hampshire students and employees should conform. The Norms for Community Living below are applicable to all community members, employees and students. Policies beginning with the Code of Conduct (after the Norms for Community Living) pertain to students only.

CHARGE AND MEMBERSHIP

Members of the Hampshire College community have a common concern for each individual and their personal development. Each member of the community has rights that afford personal protection and ensure the College’s commitment to learning and the advancement of knowledge through free inquiry. No member of this community shall violate the rights of any other member, as represented by the norms described in this document.

All persons affiliated with Hampshire College are considered members of the Hampshire community. The families of any of these members are members while they are on the Hampshire campus. All guests are considered members while they are on the Hampshire campus and are, therefore, expected to abide by college policies.

RIGHT OF ASSEMBLY

All members of the Hampshire community have a right to assemble peaceably and petition for the redress of their grievances.

RIGHT OF FREEDOM OF COMMUNICATION OF IDEAS

All members of the Hampshire community have the right to freely express their ideas provided that the method of expression does not violate any other rights affirmed by this document. Any member of the College has the right to publish and distribute without interference. However, while such members may not be subject to previous restraint, they shall be held accountable for any erroneous, malicious, or defamatory statements that violate any other right affirmed by this document.

RIGHT OF INTEGRITY

Every member of the Hampshire community is entitled to the Right of Integrity. The Right of Integrity is composed of three parts:

1. Academic Integrity. Every member of the college community has the exclusive right to their own academic work. To use or convert another person’s work as one’s own for academic credit, public approbation, or monetary gain violates this right. (Also see “Ethics of Scholarship.”)

2. Business Integrity. Every member of the college community has the right to expect that any business conducted with any other member is free from malice and fraud.

3. Personal Integrity. Every member of the college community has the right not to be the subject of slander or libel, and not to have their character impugned.

RIGHT OF PERSONAL SECURITY

Every member of the Hampshire community has the right to reasonable security from threat or physical abuse or mental anguish by any other person or device or substance controlled by any other person.
CODE OF CONDUCT

UNACCEPTABLE ACTIONS

Lack of Respect for People

The Norms for Community Living are predicated on a concern for the welfare of every individual and the community as a whole. Actions that jeopardize the health and safety of members of the Hampshire community, or that intrude on their right of privacy, cannot be tolerated. Among such actions are the following:

Noise

Members of the Hampshire community have the right to a quiet environment. Loud noise that infringes on a person’s living or working environment at any time cannot be tolerated. Quiet hours begin at 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. Unlike areas surrounding other buildings, noise made outside of residence halls can interfere with the ability to sleep, study, or socialize. The same expectations regarding courtesy that apply inside residence halls also apply to the area surrounding them. The use of amplified instruments and drums in the residences, indoor or outdoors, and the placing of stereo speakers in windows facing outward are prohibited. The disciplinary action for violation of noise regulations will depend on the severity and frequency of the noise and an offender’s behavior when alerted by Campus Police or a staff member.

Failure to Comply

Students are required to comply with all requests or instruction of any college official or Campus Police officer when that official or officer is carrying out the assigned duties of their position.

 Physically Endangering Behavior

Actions that endanger any person’s physical well-being including, but not limited to, physical assaults, use or possession of fireworks or weapons, the setting of fires, the sale of illegal drugs, reckless driving or speeding, or the throwing of objects out of windows, off roofs, or in any other dangerous manner are unacceptable. Actions that are excessively violent or life threatening will result in the offender’s removal from the College. Campus Police should be contacted regarding any physically endangering behavior.

Threatening and Intimidating Behavior

Verbal threats to do violence, psychological intimidation, and harassment of any person are unacceptable behaviors. Campus Police should be contacted regarding any threatening and intimidating behavior.

Lack of Respect for Property

Maintaining and preserving the private property of individuals as well as the resources of the College itself (including its grounds, academic buildings, residences, furnishings, dining facilities, and associated structures) are the responsibility of all members of the Hampshire community. College resources are provided to benefit the entire community, and must be maintained so that no one is denied their right to the proper resources. This right is possessed not only by those who are students now, but also by those who will be students in the future. The following sorts of behavior, therefore, are considered unacceptable.
Improper Upkeep
Massachusetts law requires that all community members maintain their areas in a condition that is in accordance with health and fire codes. Rooms, lounges, and offices must be cared for in a manner that maintains their condition for future use.

Vandalism, Damage to Property, Theft
Theft of college or personal property, as well as damage done to such property (due either to malice or to extreme carelessness), is considered inappropriate behavior. This includes the moving or removal of furniture and other college property from their appropriate location in public places, as well as theft, damage, or moving of bicycles marked as belonging to the campus EMT service.

Pets
Pets and other animals, with the exception of certified service animals, are prohibited in all residence buildings. Residents are also prohibited from keeping or providing for animals on college property, and visiting animals must be kept outdoors on a leash at all times in the presence of the owner. Hosts are responsible for cleaning up after any visiting animals. Visiting is defined as temporary, short term (less than a day), and occasional (no more than three times per term).

Students who violate this policy are subject to disciplinary actions, including seizure of animals when students fail to heed warnings and other attempts to resolve concerns with animals found in the residences. Students will bear any associated cost to the College or any of its employees or agents, whether because of damage to property owned by the College or others or because of any claim brought against the College by any person because of injury, illness, or other reason as a result of the student having brought an animal onto campus, regardless of whether the animal is in violation of this policy.

DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT

ANTIDISCRIMINATION POLICY

Discrimination on the basis of race, age, color, national origin, religion, sex (including sex stereotyping), sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, genetic information, or military service (hereinafter, the “Protected Factors”) is in conflict with the mission of the College and is strictly prohibited by its policy. Hampshire College is strongly committed to building an inclusive environment and will not tolerate any actions of any individual that violate this policy.

Discrimination and harassment in many instances violate Massachusetts statutes and federal laws as well.

Discrimination is understood to comprise any one or more of the following actions and courses of conduct between persons:

1. Physically assaulting, or threatening to assault, any person because of the Protected Factors.
2. Causing any person to have reason to believe that by virtue of the Protected Factors or membership in one or more of the aforementioned groups they will be prevented from pursuing a chosen activity.
3. Making written or oral statements designed to produce in members of the aforementioned groups fear for their physical safety or fear that freedom of movement or expression would be restricted; or making written or oral statements that can reasonably be supposed to have this effect. Threatening language is expressly prohibited.
4. Directing at an individual or person, present or absent, language that grossly offends or insults such individual or groups on the basis of the Protected Factors.
5. Denying academic, social, recreational, housing, employment, health service, or other college opportunity or service on the basis of the Protected Factors, or any action or statement that might lead any member of any such group to reasonably expect that access to such opportunities or services might be denied to them on such a basis.

At the same time that Hampshire College stands strongly behind not discriminating on the basis of identities listed above, allocation of college opportunities or services follow other established procedures in order to satisfy the needs of a broad population:

1. Using different standards of evaluation for academic work, suitability for employment or promotion, or job performance because of the Protected Factors.
2. Any similar actions designed to degrade, insult, threaten, or harm one or more members of the aforementioned groups, or which can reasonably be expected to have these effects.

With regard to language used in classrooms and other teaching/learning contexts, at the same time that we stress that unreasonable constraints on either scholarship, academic freedom (of teachers and learners), and creative work would be chilling in an academic environment, individuals weighing the use of offensive language for an ostensible educational or creative purpose should proceed with care.
DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT POLICY

Whenever a member of the community (student, staff, or faculty) believes their rights as defined above have been violated, said person can, without losing the right to access other resources inside and outside of Hampshire College, file a complaint with the office for diversity and multicultural education. The special presidential assistant for diversity and multicultural education will ascertain which of the methods below the complaining party would like to follow.

Informal Processes

If at all possible, the complainant should bring notice of the problem directly to the person whose actions have been found objectionable. It is hoped that in discussing an issue or concern directly with another person, the parties will be able to reach a mutually satisfactory resolution. Individuals with complaints against an employee of the College are encouraged also to consider speaking to the employee’s immediate supervisor. (The special presidential assistant can be helpful in identifying who that person is; in the case of a faculty member, for these purposes it is considered to be the School dean.)

If such direct communication either is not acceptable to the complainant or proves unsuccessful, the complainant may bring the complaint to the special presidential assistant for diversity and multicultural education, who—normally within two working days of receiving the complaint—will notify the person being complained about, henceforth referred to as the respondent.

As part of this informal process, the special presidential assistant will initiate an investigation. Investigations for informal procedures will consist primarily of interviewing the complainant(s) and respondent(s). This investigation has, as its main goal, facilitating a resolution between the involved parties with the special presidential assistant or designee serving as mediator or facilitator. The period for investigation should not be protracted. The special presidential assistant will notify both parties of their recommendations for facilitating resolution within a reasonable time, normally no more than five business days (within one semester).

Formal Process

Filing a Complaint

If the complainant chooses not to use the informal procedure or the informal procedure is not successful, said person can file a complaint to the Campus Climate Subcommittee of the Diversity Committee. The complaint is filed by submitting a written description of the event(s) in question to the special presidential assistant for diversity and multicultural education, together with an explanation of which of the seven actions or conducts listed the complainant believes to have been involved. The special presidential assistant must forward this written complaint to the Campus Climate Subcommittee of the Diversity Committee promptly upon receipt, normally within two working days. The special presidential assistant also forwards this written complaint to the respondent(s) within the same period, setting a deadline for response (again, normally another two working days). This response is immediately forwarded to the Campus Climate Committee.

Constitution of a Response Team

Normally within five business days (in one semester) of receiving the initial communication regarding the complaint, the Campus Climate Subcommittee will, from among its members, constitute a response team to hear the complaint and assist the complainant through the complaint process. The response team will consist of a student, a member of the staff, and a faculty member. These three members will be selected by the Campus Climate Committee to ensure the ability of the team members to remain impartial. If for any reason the Campus Climate Committee fails to identify members that the committee, the complainant, and the respondent agree are impartial, it will select additional members from within the Diversity Committee, always maintaining the membership to be one student, one member of the staff, and one faculty member. This second membership selection, when necessary, will identify members within seven calendar days of the receipt of the original complaint.

Information Gathering

Within 72 hours of being constituted, the response team will meet with the complainant. Options for course of action and desired responses will be discussed, and the complainant will choose a course of action and inform the response team. If the complainant chooses to proceed with the formal process, the members of the response team will elect a chairperson from among its members. The chairperson will be responsible for following the case, assisting the complainant with the case, and, based on the status of the respondent, contacting the appropriate responsible entities: the vice president for academic affairs/dean of faculty for faculty members; the dean of students and/or the Community Review Board (CRB) for students; the director of human resources for staff members. In addition, if either the complainant or the respondent is employed at Hampshire, their immediate supervisor will be notified of the complaint.

The process at this point will continue following the rules and regulations of the bodies listed above, including information gathering and decision making. Upon completion of the appropriate procedures for the above bodies, the chair of the response team will be notified.
Sexual Offense Policy

A sexual offense is any unwanted sexualized conduct that occurs without consent.

Hampshire College takes sexual offenses very seriously, as they are a gross violation of the Code of Conduct and Community Norms, whether perpetrated by other students, faculty, staff, or visitors to the campus, and regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation.

All Hampshire community members have the right to personal and sexual safety, respect, integrity, and freedom of expression, as long as such expression does not cause harm to others. Hampshire College will make every effort to protect these rights, and will not tolerate any form of sexual offense.

Sexual offenses are prohibited under state and federal laws and may be prosecuted in the criminal justice system, though legal definitions may vary from the definitions upheld by the Hampshire community. Pursuing campus resolution options does not preclude one from pursuing legal action now or in the future, and vice versa. Reporting a sexual offense to Campus Police does not mean this incident will need to go to court. Campus Police's certified sexual-assault investigators will work with the survivor, who will determine the resolution.

Hampshire College is committed to creating a violence-free campus, developing and implementing violence-prevention strategies, and providing victim/survivors with support, services, and information about their options for taking action or seeking resolution. Hampshire encourages students to report offenses; a victim/survivor of sexual assault does not need to worry about facing charges for underage alcohol consumption when reporting an offense, as Hampshire's primary concern is maintaining students' safety.

Sexual Assault Prevention

Every community member plays a role in creating a culture of safety and respect and eliminating sexual offenses.

Most sexual offenses on this campus are not committed intentionally by “bad” people. Protect yourself from hurting others by educating yourself on what consent really means. Without clear communication about consent, there is a risk of committing sexual assault.

That said, the majority of us do not commit sexual offenses. However, many of us witness varying degrees of sexually offensive conduct. The actions you take by intervening at any level send the clear message that disrespectful, demeaning, and violent behavior is not acceptable. Such an intervention may serve to educate and prevent someone from committing a sexual offense in the future, and may protect and empower the person experiencing the offensive behavior. Making a choice to denounce violence of any kind is a choice that supports a peaceful, respectful, and vibrant community.

Here are some steps that you can take:

- Call Campus Police if you witness a violent or potentially violent situation, are aware of an assault taking place, are concerned for someone's safety, or feel the general atmosphere at a party has become unsafe.
- Intervene if you: believe someone's boundaries are being violated or that they are in a potentially uncomfortable/unsafe situation. If you feel safe, interrupt: e.g. “I don’t feel well, would you come outside with me for a minute?” “How are things going over here?” etc. If you don’t feel comfortable stepping in, talk to other people: e.g. interrupt with a group of your friends, alert the party hosts, call Campus Police or the intern or house director on-call. If you are not able to intervene, or you’re still concerned about the person’s well-being, follow up with them later by asking how they felt about the incident and if they would like assistance in getting support.
- If you hear someone acting, speaking, or telling jokes in a manner that is offensive, demeaning, or abusive to a targeted person or group of people, let them know it makes you uncomfortable and ask them to stop.
- If you are aware that a sexual offense has taken place, you may report the offense yourself and/or encourage the victim/survivor to report the offense and seek support. Please know that the following support resources are available to anyone affected directly or indirectly by a sexual offense.
• If you are concerned that you may have committed a sexual offense, you may call Health and Counseling Services, x5458, for confidential counseling, or the Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services, x5743, for information and educational resources. If someone has alleged that you committed a sexual offense, you may contact the dean of students office, x5412, for information and guidance regarding the campus judicial process or legal proceedings.

• Take a R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) course, x5470. R.A.D. is a women’s self-defense program that teaches a combination of awareness and risk-reduction strategies, along with physical defense techniques. The techniques are designed to be easy to learn and the course is taught in a fun and supportive environment. OPRA offers R.A.D. courses periodically throughout the academic year at no charge to students.

Definitions
A sexual offense is any unwanted sexual conduct that occurs without consent.

Consent
Hampshire College believes that all sexual activity should be consensual. Therefore, consent must be obtained prior to engaging in any sexual activity, and for each new sexual activity. Any sexual act that occurs without consent may be considered a sexual offense.

• It is the responsibility of the initiator to obtain consent. Through all students are encouraged to communicate openly about what they do and do not want, students will not be held responsible if they don’t GIVE consent, whereas they may be held responsible for NOT GETTING consent. If the sexual interaction is mutually initiated, both parties are equally responsible for getting and giving consent.

• Consent is required for each separate sexual activity (i.e., kissing, touching, penetration). Any party has the right to give consent for specific activities and not others.

• Any party has the right to change their mind and withdraw consent at any time.

• Consent must be a free choice. A person cannot give consent if their ability to understand and give informed consent is impaired in any way. Consent is not valid if the person is under the influence of drugs or alcohol; is mentally impaired; is underage; or has experienced the explicit or implied use of force, coercion, threats and/or intimidation. The ability to give consent freely may also be jeopardized if the initiator is in a position of power over the student, such as a professor, employer, or possibly an intern or orientation leader.

• Silence does not equal consent.

• Ideally, consent is given verbally. However, consent can also be expressed (given or withdrawn) through body language. For example, active reciprocation could express consent; pushing someone away or moving away could express lack of consent.

• Body language and even verbal responses may be ambiguous. It may also be unclear who is responsible for getting consent and who is responsible for giving consent at any particular moment. If consent is unclear, there is a risk of committing a sexual offense. Consequently, when in doubt, each participant in the activity should stop and ASK.

Sexual Harassment
Sexual harassment is any unwelcome sexual advance, request for sexual favor, or other conduct of a sexual nature that causes the recipient(s) to feel uncomfortable, sexually violated, threatened, or afraid of retaliation.

An offense is considered sexual harassment when:

• Implicit or explicit threats or insinuations that submission to such conduct is a term or condition of employment or is a basis for education or employment decisions, and that refusal to submit to sexual advances will adversely affect an individual’s status at the College.

• It has the purpose or effect of interfering with work or academic performance.

• It has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, humiliating, or sexually offensive educational, employment, or living environment.

Sexual harassment can be blatant or very subtle, and is defined by the experience of the recipient; that is, one person may experience sexually explicit jokes as amusing, whereas another may experience them as harassment. It is the responsibility of the recipient to make it clear that the conduct is unwelcome, so long as there are no factors that would inhibit free expression of this sentiment (such as a power imbalance in the relationship, threat, or intimidation, or if the conduct is judged to be egregious enough that it would offend most reasonable persons). This communication may be done verbally, in writing, or through another person (e.g., a house director, intern, or friend).
Conduct will be considered sexual harassment if it meets the above criteria or continues after it has been made clear that it is unwelcome. Sexual harassment may include, but is not limited to:

- Demanding sexual favors
- Explicit discussion/description of sexual conduct and/or questions about another person’s sexual conduct
- Offensive sexual flirtations, innuendo, advances, or propositions
- Prolonged staring or leering
- Obscene staring or leering
- Verbal comments of a sexual nature about an individual’s body or use of sexual terms to describe an individual
- Display of pictures, posters, cartoons, videos, or any other media that the viewer finds offensive or sexually suggestive
- Unwelcome sexual jokes or language
- Indecent exposure
- Sexual photographing/videotaping without consent
- Publicizing sexualized information about someone (e.g., spreading rumors/gossip of a sexual nature, writing on doors, in bathrooms, posting sexual information about another individual on Facebook, MySpace, blogs, LiveJournal)
- Stalking (e.g., continued unwelcome contact, attempts at communication, gifts, intrusiveness into daily routines and/or relationships)

**Sexual Assault**

Any unwanted physical contact that occurs within a sexual context, without consent, may constitute a sexual assault. Sexual assault could include, but is not limited to, the following conduct when such conduct is unwelcome:

- Kissing
- Fondling
- Rubbing against another individual
- Biting, pinching, slapping within a sexual context
- Undressing another individual
- Use of force within a sexual context (hitting, kicking, grabbing, holding down)

**Rape**

A sexual offense may be considered rape when unwanted penetration occurs without consent. Penetration may be of the vagina, anus, or mouth, using a part of the body (e.g., penis, finger[s]) or an object.

**Sexual Misconduct**

Behavior may be considered sexual misconduct when ALL of the below criteria can be established:

- It does not fit any of the above categories.
- It is clearly inappropriate and unacceptable.
- It has an identifiable negative impact on an individual, group, or the community.
- The average person could be reasonably expected to have knowledge that such behavior(s) would cause offense or harm.

Examples of sexual misconduct include, but are not limited to:

- Sexually derogatory posters, graffiti, pornography in public spaces.
- Public exposure or indecency that is not targeted at a specific individual.
- Conduct that has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, humiliating, or sexually offensive educational, employment, or living environment that is not targeted at a specific individual.
- A sexual interaction in which consent cannot be determined, but the initiator could be reasonably expected to have known that the interaction was unwanted and unwelcome.

**In the Event of a Sexual Assault**

Despite our best efforts to maintain safety in the community, sexual offenses still occur. There are a number of resources available to help you get the support, information, and services that you need. If you are unsure of where to go, whom to call, or what steps to take, you may confidentially contact the Sexual Offense Services (SOS) coordinator, x5743, who can help guide you through the process.

Anyone can utilize these resources and make a report; it is appropriate to use these resources if you:

- Are a Hampshire student and experienced a sexual offense on or off campus
- Are not a Hampshire student, but you experienced, or are aware of, a sexual offense that involved a member of the Hampshire community or occurred on the Hampshire campus
- Want information, support, or referrals regarding sexual assault, whether it is for yourself or for someone else
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Reporting, Support, and Resources

On-Campus Resources

There are a variety ways to report a sexual assault, from leaving a message on the Anonymous Reporting Line to filing a police report, and different types of reports are responded to in different ways. Anonymous statistical information from all sexual-assault reports will be publicized each year through educational efforts by the Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services and on the Campus Police website in the annual Clery Report of crime statistics. This information is made available to the community/public only the following academic year in order to protect the identity of those involved.

The College has the legal and moral responsibility to protect students, and the community as a whole, whenever it is within its power to do so. Therefore, the College will investigate reports of sexual assault and take whatever steps possible to end harassment and assault and eliminate a hostile environment. The College will protect the confidentiality of the parties involved, and will respect the wishes of the victim/survivor to the extent possible without impeding the investigation and/or the ability to end harassment and eliminate a hostile environment.

If you want to report a sexual assault but do not want the College to investigate or take any further action at this time, you may report to the resources that are listed as anonymous or confidential. Anonymous reports are not investigable (and are therefore not responded to) so long as they do not contain identifying information about the parties involved. Confidential resources have the primary mission of addressing the needs of the individual reporting and have been granted certain confidentiality privileges to facilitate this. Thus, individuals may speak with these resources openly (which could include specific details or identifying information) without fear of spurring an investigation or response, so long as there is no immediate threat to safety.

Third-Party Reporting

Anyone can report a sexual assault. If you are reporting a sexual assault that happened to someone else, you may choose whether or not to identify the alleged assailant or victim/survivor. If identifying information is revealed, the College can investigate the incident to the best of its ability but may not be able to take disciplinary action based on the third-party report. You may also choose one of the confidential reporting methods listed below, or simply refrain from giving any identifying information. In those cases, the College will not investigate the incident but the report will ensure that the College is aware of the offense.

Anonymous Reporting Line (Anonymous)  
x5756

The purpose of this line is to maintain accurate records of sexual assaults that occur on campus, to be used in prevention and awareness efforts and included in public annual reports on sexual assault and crime statistics. A recorded message will prompt you on how to make a report. Calls on this line will be checked regularly but will not be responded to. If you would like a response, contact one of the resources below.
Sexual Offense Services (SOS) Coordinator (Confidential)

The Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services
x5743
Jessica Gifford, jgifford@hampshire.edu

The SOS coordinator is a professional staff person who can provide confidential support, information, and referrals, and help you navigate your options. For example, the SOS coordinator can help to facilitate residence or academic accommodations that you need, help walk you through legal or campus judicial proceedings, and help you get connected to services.

Health and Counseling Services (Confidential)

x5458

Health and Counseling Services offers professional medical and mental health (counseling) services at no charge to students. Medical services include attending to injuries, and discussing and providing emergency contraception and STI prophylaxis if there is a risk of pregnancy or of contracting an STI.

Dean of Students Office

x5412

If you would like the College to take some type of action, you may choose to report directly to any of the deans in the dean of students office, or you may report to the SOS coordinator, who can help you through this process. The dean's office is able to facilitate an immediate change in housing at the victim/survivor’s request, and can help with academic or other accommodations as deemed necessary. The dean’s office is also responsible for overseeing investigations, hearings, and disciplinary action.

Counselor Advocates (Confidential)

The Cas are student volunteers who have been trained to provide support, information and referrals to other students. CAs also offer workshops in sexual assault prevention, consent and other areas of wellness. They are available by email at cas@hampshire.edu.

Off-Campus Resources

The Everywoman’s Center
1.888.337.0800
www.umass.edu/ewc

The Everywoman’s Center offers sexual-assault and relationship-violence services to the Five Colleges and the greater community. It has a year-round, 24-hour hotline, and offers individual counseling and support groups. Its website also has links to other local resources.

Options for Resolution

To discuss your options confidentially and get more information before making a decision, you may speak to the SOS coordinator, Jessica Gifford, at x5743.

Legal Action

Sexual offenses are against the law (though legal definitions vary from the definitions laid out in this policy) and you may choose to legally prosecute and/or seek legal protection through a restraining order or campus trespass order. Even if you do not want to pursue legal resolution at this time, or are unsure, you may want to consider the following:

- The SANE (sexual assault nurse examiner) exam: victim/survivors who are considering filing criminal charges, or who want to keep their options open in the future, are advised to get a SANE exam to collect medical evidence. The exam can be completed for up to five days after the assault, but it is best to collect evidence as soon after the assault as possible. A medical exam is free of charge, is completely confidential, and is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at University Health Services (UHS) at University of Massachusetts Amherst or at Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton. If you have questions about the services at UHS, please call 577.5000 and ask to speak to the triage nurse. Even if you decide not to have the exam, it is advisable to seek medical attention, especially if penetration, bruising, or injury occurred, so you can receive care and medication to prevent pregnancy or STIs.
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x5424
Emergency x1911

- Filing a police report will provide legal documentation in the event of a future offense by the same person, or in case you decide to prosecute in the future. You may file a police report at any time, though the evidence is likely to be stronger the sooner you do so after the offense. Filing a police report does not mean that legal action will be taken. You may file a police report directly with the Hampshire Campus Police officers, who will notify the Amherst Police Department.

- Hampshire College Campus Police is able to respond and intervene in dangerous or potentially dangerous situations, including an assault. You are encouraged to call if you have any safety concerns or simply feel uncomfortable with a situation. Campus Police also has the authority to “trespass” (i.e., ban an individual from campus) if that person is not a Hampshire community member and has been deemed to pose a risk to the community or individual community members.

- When you report a sexual assault to Campus Police, it is important to know that the staff are required by law to follow police protocols. This means that a police report will be filed and investigated.

- What does an investigation entail? Depending on the circumstances, “gathering evidence” may be limited to interviewing the victim/survivor and the alleged perpetrator, and possibly friends/witnesses, encouraging the victim/survivor to complete a medical exam to collect biological evidence, or following other leads.

- The Massachusetts Northwest District Attorney’s Office can help you prosecute an assailant and connect you with a Victim’s Advocate.

Victim-Witness Assistance 586.5780

Campus Action

Victim/survivors may choose to pursue some form of campus resolution, regardless of whether or not they decide to take legal action. A victim/survivor may seek campus action at any time, as long as the offender is still a member of the Hampshire community.

If the offender is an employee, including a faculty member, you should contact the SOS coordinator (x5743), or, if unavailable, the dean of students office (x5412) to help take you through the process of making a complaint. The investigation and any subsequent actions will be carried out by Human Resources, and the complainant will be informed of the findings.

If the offender is a student from another of the Five College campuses, disciplinary action may be pursued on the offender’s campus, though you may still want to access Hampshire’s resources to help you through this process. When the offender is a Hampshire student, the following options are available to victim/survivors.

Community Review Board (CRB) Hearing

The CRB is a judicial board made up of students, faculty, and staff who are able to hear complaints about any violation of the Norms of Community Living, including sexual assault. CRB members go through a specialized, three-hour training in order to hear sexual-assault cases. Anyone is able to request a hearing by the Community Review Board by filing a complaint through the dean of students office. You may contact the advisor to the CRB (x5412) for more information on this process.

Dean’s Hearing

Either the complainant or the respondent may request a dean’s hearing in place of a CRB hearing. It is up to the dean’s discretion to evaluate the appropriateness of the request and to determine how the case will be heard. There may be rare instances when the complainant will not have the option of a CRB hearing (e.g., if the board has not assembled yet, classes are not in session, or there are not enough impartial board members to hear the case), in which case a dean’s hearing will be offered as an alternative.

No-Contact Agreement

If you would like to develop a no-contact agreement between you and the person who committed the offense, you may do so with the SOS coordinator (x5743) or the dean of students office (x5412). This agreement would apply equally to both/all parties involved and would contain guidelines specific to your needs (e.g., no phone or email contact, no entering each other’s living spaces).

Administrative Warning

You may request that a dean meet with the person who committed the offense and inform that individual that an allegation has been made and recorded, and that sexual offenses are not acceptable to this community. You may also write a statement and request that it be read to (or by) the person who committed the offense. It will also be made clear that any attempt at retaliation will be swiftly addressed by administrative sanctions. You may contact the SOS coordinator (x5743) or the dean’s office (x5412) to discuss an administrative warning.
Accounts to college resources, including email, are issued to all students at time of enrollment and remain in effect as long as the student maintains a relationship with the College. These accounts are for the sole use of the student to whom they are issued. Accounts are not transferable. Students are responsible for choosing secure passwords and maintaining password confidentiality. Students are also responsible for checking their college email accounts regularly, as all official college correspondence via email is sent to these accounts only. The College is not responsible for setting up, using, or forwarding email to any other account. Students may retain email accounts in perpetuity as alumni in accordance with the College’s email policy.

Students may not access, inspect, or alter any file or directory belonging to another user without their permission. Students may not harass other users by sending unwanted email, programs, or other files that are knowingly disruptive or may be reasonably construed as threatening or disparaging of others. Students may not knowingly forward virus-infected email or files to others and are strongly encouraged to maintain updated virus protection software on their computer. Students may not use the College’s resources to gain unauthorized access to other computing resources either on campus or elsewhere. Nor may they use college computing, network, or Web resources, including access to the Internet, for solicitation or operation of commercial ventures or interests. Students may not use the college's computer resources in a way that violates the College’s sexual-harassment or nondiscrimination policies.

The College believes in freedom of speech regardless of the medium used for communication and does not want to act as a censor of information on college resources, including webpage content. However, the College will investigate complaints arising from either the college community or external sources and will comply with and enforce applicable laws and college policies as appropriate. All email and files on college-owned computers and servers are legally the property of the College. The College reserves the right to inspect email and files and take appropriate action without notice if there is reasonable belief that there has been intentional or inadvertent disruption to the College’s network or other shared resources or if there is suspected violation of this policy or applicable laws.

Students may not damage, deface, alter, or remove any college computing equipment from campus without authorization or deliberately attempt to degrade the performance of college computing or network resources. Students may not install software on any college computer system without appropriate authorization, nor install software that is in violation of any licensing agreement.

Guidelines regarding plagiarism and academic integrity apply to course work completed on computers, network, and Web resources just as they do with any other type of course work. Students should be aware of and abide by all applicable copyright laws and licenses.
HAZING POLICY

Pursuant with Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 269, Sections 17, 18, and 19, the College prohibits hazing. Hazing is defined as any action or situation that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any organization operating under sanction of a college. Hazing shall include, but not be limited to, any brutality of a physical nature, such as whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the elements, forced consumption of food, liquor, drugs, or other substance, or any other forced physical activity, that could adversely affect the physical health or safety of the individual. Hazing also shall include any activity that could subject the individual to extreme mental stress, such as sleep deprivation, forced exclusion from social contact, forced conduct that could result in extreme embarrassment, or any other forced activity that adversely affects the mental health or dignity of the individual. Any of these activities upon which the initiation or admission into, or affiliation with, a college organization is directly or indirectly conditioned shall be presumed to be a forced activity, the willingness of an individual to participate in such activity notwithstanding.

Any activity organized by a student organization or members of a student organization that involves a member in practices that are injurious or potentially injurious to an individual’s physical, emotional, or psychological well-being (as determined at the sole discretion of the College) shall be cause for disciplinary action. It shall not matter whether such practices were mandatory or voluntarily entered into by any of the student organization members in question, including new and initiated members.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICY

Position Statement

Hampshire’s drug and alcohol policy is guided by three primary concerns: the health and safety of all community members; upholding state and federal laws; and promoting positive Hampshire values, such as awareness and respect for self and others, accountability, and informed decision making. (To view state laws in their entirety, visit www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl/ or see chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws, which is available in the reference section of the Hampshire College library.)

Hampshire is committed to providing support and assistance to students struggling with issues related to alcohol or other drug use. Students who come forward to actively seek help when they are concerned about their own use or that of their friends and/or acquaintances will not face disciplinary action related to that drug or alcohol use. Students will still be expected to work with the College to develop a plan to address these issues, and to take responsibility for any negative impact their behaviors have had on others or the environment (e.g., property damage, noise complaints, medical transports). Both on- and off-campus support and informational resources are listed at the end of this policy for students seeking help for substance-use issues.

Hampshire recognizes that substance use is a reality on nearly all college campuses, and encourages productive community dialogue about drug- and alcohol-related issues. Hampshire further recognizes that this is a complex topic that needs to be addressed honestly and realistically, and not dichotomized into “abstinence-only” vs. “unlimited freedom” (without responsibility). A number of issues have been raised by the 2006 and 2009 Core survey on drugs and alcohol*, a series of focus groups* with students, faculty, and staff, and other conversations and efforts taking place on campus. (*The results of the Core surveys and focus groups can be viewed at https://intranet.hampshire.edu/cms/index.php?id=9969.) The drug and alcohol policy seeks to address these issues and promote the following values and practices:

- Moderation, safety, and individual accountability for those students over 21 who choose to drink
- A safe, comfortable, and enjoyable social environment that is free from pressure for those students who choose not to drink
- Support and assistance for all students who are concerned about their own alcohol or drug use, or that of their friends
- Opportunity to take responsibility and make reparations for any negative consequences of drug or alcohol use, in place of disciplinary action
- Information and education for all students to encourage responsible and informed decision making
- Information on confidential resources, to encourage students to seek help for themselves and their friends
- The involvement of community members to help alleviate the problems associated with alcohol and drug use (these include addiction, hospital transports due to excessive drinking and drug use, sexual assaults, damage to property, noise problems, concern for friends, unpleasant living environment)
- Adherence to all pertinent town, state, and federal regulations and laws
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What Does It Mean to Be Moderate, Safe, and Responsible?

For students who choose to drink, it is important to be aware of how alcohol affects you, as everyone has a different tolerance level and responds differently to varying amounts or types of alcohol. A good general guideline to follow is to consume one drink or less per hour, which in many people maintains BAC (blood alcohol content) at around 0.05, although individuals may experience higher or lower BAC depending on their weight, eating habits, etc. At this level, you may experience a “buzz” while also avoiding many of the more negative effects of alcohol consumption. Other suggestions for drinking safely are:

- Eat before you drink.
- Stay hydrated (with water).
- Set a limit for yourself ahead of time.
- Watch out for your friends and ask them to watch out for you.
- Have a designated driver, a place to stay, or a plan to get home (if applicable).

When Drinking May Be a Concern...

Using substances can be social and enjoyable for some people, but it can also become problematic for others and/or have a negative impact on those around them. If you have questions or concerns about your own drinking or drug use, or someone else’s, you are encouraged to seek confidential assistance from Health and Counseling Services (x5458), the Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services (x5743), or one of the other resources listed at the end of this policy. You may also take a 10-minute anonymous alcohol screening to get feedback on your drinking at alcoholscreening.org. If an intern, house staff, or anyone else becomes concerned about your substance use, please be aware that they may initiate a conversation with you to address that concern.

The following behaviors may indicate unhealthy use of substances:

- Frequency of use (i.e., several times a week)
- Excessive use (with alcohol this means binge drinking, as defined by reaching a BAC of 0.08 or above. For most adults, this corresponds to consuming four or more [if you’re female-bodied] and five or more [if you’re male-bodied] drinks in a two-hour period. This is based on a standard drink equivalent of one 12-oz. beer, one 5-oz. glass of wine, or one 1.5-oz. shot of spirits.)
- Negative consequences (e.g., has a negative impact on academic work, attendance, relationships, work, health, legal)
- High-risk, destructive, or out-of-the-ordinary behavior
- Experiences/expresses cravings or plans center on obtaining/using a substance
- Possession of large amounts of drugs/alcohol

For more information about these and other topics relating to substance use, visit or call the Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services at x5743. If you have immediate concerns for your own or someone else’s health or safety (e.g., a student is passed out, vomiting excessively, aggressive, disoriented, or acting bizarrely), call the EMTs/Campus Police at x1911 (or x5424 for nonemergencies).

Medical Amnesty

The dean of students office is committed to providing support and assistance to students struggling with issues related to substance use. Students who come forward to actively seek help when they are concerned about their own use or that of their friends and/or acquaintances will not face disciplinary action related to substance use. The goal of this policy is to decrease the likelihood that a student will hesitate to seek help in an alcohol- or drug-related emergency. Medical Amnesty encourages safety and responsibility throughout the community and promotes education/treatment for individuals who receive emergency medical attention to reduce the likelihood of future occurrences.

In cases of alcohol and drug intoxication, the primary concern is the health and safety of the individual(s) involved. Individuals are strongly encouraged to call for emergency medical assistance (x5555 on campus, 911 off campus) for themselves or for another member of the community who is dangerously intoxicated.

Students seeking emergency medical assistance for alcohol and drug overuse will be granted “one-time” amnesty and will not be subject to disciplinary sanctions for the sole violation of using or possessing the substance. Medical Amnesty is not automatic and is earned only once a student has met with the house staff and the dean of students or designee, at their respective request, and successfully completes any educational/wellness follow-up steps discussed in either meeting. Failure to meet with the dean of students or designee and complete the follow-up steps will be grounds for disciplinary action.

Students granted amnesty will not be exempt from disciplinary sanctions resulting from other policies they violate while under the influence. Students will be expected to take responsibility for any negative impact their behaviors had on others or the environment (e.g., property damage, noise complaints, medical transport).
FAQ about Medical Amnesty

What is the Purpose of Medical Amnesty?
The dean of students office values the health and well-being of our community members above all else. In 2008, the Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services and Wellness Alcohol and Drug Taskforce recommended that we adopt Medical Amnesty as a matter of policy. Medical Amnesty seeks to decrease the likelihood that a student will hesitate to seek help in an alcohol-related emergency by granting amnesty from disciplinary sanctions to those involved in seeking help.

Medical Amnesty promotes safety and responsibility throughout the community. The policy also promotes education/treatment for individuals who receive emergency medical attention to reduce the likelihood of future occurrences.

How Does Medical Amnesty Work?
Typically, Medical Amnesty applies only to the person in need of medical assistance and to those who assist in the seeking of medical assistance. Individuals seeking medical treatment for themselves or for another student in an alcohol- or drug-related medical emergency will be granted amnesty from disciplinary sanctions pertaining to their substance use. Other consequences, such as education and treatment, may be required.

Medical Amnesty applies only to violations of the Norms of Community Living as outlined in NSNS. It does not grant amnesty for criminal, civil, or legal consequences for violations of federal, state, or local law.

Students will not be granted amnesty from disciplinary sanctions resulting from other policies they violate while under the influence of alcohol. For example, if a student becomes intoxicated and injures themself in the process of punching a hole in a window (or damaged any college property), the student would not be subject to disciplinary action for being intoxicated but could still be held responsible for vandalism.

Follow-up evaluations and counseling are fundamental components of Medical Amnesty. Amnesty is applied only when students complete appropriate counseling and treatment as recommended. Failure to complete any evaluation, counseling, or treatment within the timeline outlined will result in the imposition of disciplinary sanctions.

Can a Student Be Granted Medical Amnesty More Than Once?
Medical Amnesty is only granted one time. If an individual requires additional emergency medical assistance, it may be a sign that the student is unable to maintain a safe and healthy lifestyle and needs assistance beyond what we can provide here at Hampshire. The goal of this program is for the student, in conjunction with the dean of students office staff and Health and Counseling Services staff, to set a plan in place for the student to get help, get healthy, and return to the campus when ready.

Alcohol Policy

Hampshire College’s alcohol and drug policy is guided by and abides by laws regarding such matters in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the town of Amherst. The acquisition, possession, transportation, consumption, and distribution of alcoholic beverages is governed by statute and regulation. For the full text of the law, please see chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws, which can be found online at www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl.

- A person must be 21 years of age or older to purchase, possess, consume, and transport alcoholic beverages.
- Purchasing or delivering a drink to anyone under the legal drinking age is also a violation.
- The possession of open containers of alcoholic beverages in public violates Hampshire policy and Amherst town law.
- Possession of open containers of alcoholic beverages outdoors and in common areas of the College is prohibited in the absence of a registered social event. The private rooms and offices of community members 21 years of age or older and the residence common spaces of campus apartments where all residents are 21 years of age or older are the only exceptions to this.
- It is a violation of Hampshire policy and Massachusetts law to willfully misrepresent one’s age or the age of another person in order to purchase or receive alcoholic beverages.
- No person may serve an alcoholic beverage to a person who is obviously intoxicated.
• No alcohol may be served at a social event after 1 a.m.

• Possession of kegs of alcohol is permitted only with a permit from the town of Amherst. A town permit must be applied for from the Amherst police chief at least one week prior to the event.

• A person, group, or organization may not sell alcoholic beverages, or charge admission to an event where alcoholic beverages are served, unless a license is obtained from the local licensing authority—that is, the Amherst Board of Selectmen.

To obtain a wine and malt beverage license, pick up an application form from Amherst Town Hall at least three weeks before the date of the event. The application must be approved and signed by the director of Hampshire College Campus Police, the appropriate student life professional staff member, and the Amherst chief of police. Return the completed application and the application fee to the select board office to have it placed on the agenda for the next select board’s meeting. These meetings usually occur on the second and fourth Monday of the month. Dates are available by calling Amherst Town Hall, at 256.4004.

Operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic beverages is both extremely dangerous and a violation of Hampshire policy as well as a crime punishable by law.

Hampshire College administration wants to promote a safe and responsible environment. To that end, activities that promote drinking or excessive drinking, including drinking games, are against college policy.

Members of the community are equally responsible for upholding these policies, and are also at personal risk if they fail to follow them. Those violating Hampshire College policy are subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or expulsion from the College. A person found to have violated the law may be subject to arrest without a warrant and/or criminal prosecution. In addition, if injury or property damage occurs as a result of a violation of the law, the responsible person(s) may be held liable in a civil suit.

**Sponsoring an Event Involving Alcohol**

A social event on the Hampshire College campus is considered to be any gathering at which more than 15 people are in attendance. For any social event, including those at which alcoholic beverages will be served, an authorized event registration form must be obtained prior to the event. Such events held in a student residence are regulated by the professional house staff of the residence, who issue party registration forms for that residence. Further information about the process to obtain event registration forms for a residence may be found under “Housing and Residence Life Policies and Procedures.” Social events held in other college facilities or outdoors are regulated by the assistant dean of students for campus leadership and activities, who must authorize the event registration form and the Beer/Wine Service Contract. For events involving alcohol, the event registration form must be turned in 14 days prior to the event being registered.

Also, Hampshire College funds (including student group funds) may not be used for the purchase of alcohol. Event organizers must have an appropriate plan to purchase the alcohol to be provided.

All state and local laws apply to any organization, college department, or individual sponsoring any gathering where alcohol is served. The people who provide alcoholic beverages at a gathering are responsible for compliance with all pertinent laws.

No person, group, or organization may sell alcoholic beverages at any gathering where monies are collected, donated, or exchanged in any manner unless a license has been obtained from the town of Amherst. An event that violates this policy may be required to end, and disciplinary action may be taken against the sponsors of the event.

The availability of alcohol may not be contained in the off-campus advertising, including postings online, of any event. On-campus advertising may indicate alcohol may be served to persons over the age of 21, but amounts of alcohol may not be publicized. Alcohol should not, in any context, be the central focus of any event, and may not be advertised as such. No advertisement may contain the offering of free alcohol at any time.

No events, nor the advertising for events, may encourage drinking or drunkenness. Promotional activities by alcohol marketers are not permitted.

Sponsors of events where alcohol will be sold are responsible for obtaining a temporary license for the event if the building where the event is held is not already licensed. Once this license is obtained, the sponsor(s) must set prices for the alcoholic beverages that are higher than their cost. Only wine and malt beverages may be sold at any social event where service of alcoholic beverages is licensed; as a result, no monies can be exchanged at events where other liquors are served.

Beer kegs are not permitted on campus without the prior approval of the appropriate professional house staff for parties in student residences and the appropriate student life professional for all campus events. In addition, individuals must obtain a keg permit from the town of Amherst. In all cases, a copy of the completed permit must be provided to Campus Police prior to the event.

Sponsors of events are responsible for purchasing amounts of alcohol that will not exceed safe and legal consumption levels for their legal-drinking-age guests. The factors that will be used to determine how
much alcohol can be present at an event on campus will include, but not be limited to: the safe occupancy limits of the space, the number of students of legal drinking age at the event, and the length of the event. The student life staff member signing the event registration form and/or the director of Campus Police reserves the right to make final decisions regarding safe and legal amounts of alcohol for an event.

At all social events where alcohol is served, nonalcoholic beverages and food must be provided by the sponsor of the event in adequate proportion to the alcoholic beverages on hand, and must be available for as long as alcohol is served.

All sponsors for social events at which alcohol is served are responsible for the safe and legal service of the alcohol. They must ensure that alcohol is available only to those individuals who are of legal drinking age.

All servers of alcoholic beverages must understand and adhere to Commonwealth law and college policy. They may not be under the influence of alcohol while serving. Sponsors of events are responsible for compensating paid servers.

Events held outside of student residences at which alcohol is served require the use of trained servers. These servers are defined as those people who have successfully completed appropriate, recognized training on serving alcohol and checking identification.

Whereas the sponsor(s) of a social event at which alcohol is served is responsible for the event, the safe and legal consumption and distribution of alcohol on the Hampshire College campus is considered to be a concern of the community. Any individuals or groups whose actions risk danger or illegality should consider the impact of such acts on the community.

Possession and Use of Drugs

The unlawful manufacture, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance on the Hampshire College campus or as part of any college activity or business off the college premises is prohibited. This includes the unlawful or unauthorized use of prescription and over-the-counter drugs. If a student violates this policy, disciplinary action up to and including expulsion and referral for prosecution may result as deemed appropriate.

Local, state, and federal laws make illegal use of drugs and alcohol a serious crime. Conviction can lead to imprisonment, fines, assigned community service, and loss of federal financial aid funds. A felony conviction for such an offense can prevent you from entering many fields of employment or professions.

Massachusetts has criminal penalties for use of controlled substances, or drugs, with penalties varying with the type of drug. In general, narcotics, addictive drugs, and drugs with high potential for abuse have heavier penalties.

Possession of drugs without valid authorization is illegal. While penalties for possession are generally not as great as for manufacture and distribution of drugs, possession of a relatively large quantity may be considered distribution. Under both state and federal laws, penalties for possession, manufacture, and distribution are much greater for second and subsequent convictions. Many laws dictate mandatory prison terms and that the full minimum term be served.

Massachusetts makes it a felony to be in a place where heroin is kept and to be “in the company” of a person known to possess heroin. Anyone in the presence of heroin at a private party or in a dormitory risks a serious drug conviction. Sale and possession of “drug paraphernalia” is illegal in Massachusetts and violates Hampshire College policy.

Persons convicted of drug possession under state or federal laws are ineligible for federal student grants and loans for up to one year after the first conviction, five years after the second; the penalty for distributing drugs is loss of benefits for five years after the first conviction, ten years after the second, and permanently after the third.

Under federal law, distribution of drugs to persons under age 21 is punishable by twice the normal penalty with a mandatory one year in prison; a third conviction is punishable by mandatory life imprisonment. These penalties apply to distribution of drugs in or within 1,000 feet of a college or school. Federal law sets greatly heightened prison sentences for manufacture or distribution of drugs if death or serious injury results from the use of the substance.

Drug and Alcohol Support Resources

There are a number of resources available to students, both on- and off-campus. Students can feel comfortable using confidential resources without concern about potential repercussions. Furthermore, students do not need to have a problem with substances to take advantage of any of these resources. They may be helpful if you would like:

- Information on drug and alcohol use and its effects
- To complete an assessment
- To discuss concerns about your own or someone else’s alcohol or drug use
- To know your substance-free housing options
- Counseling
- To talk things through confidentially either with another student or
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with professional staff

- To find out about groups or other resources
- To get involved in campus efforts to promote safety and accountability in this area

On-Campus

Campus Police and Student EMTs
For a medical emergency or an immediate safety issue:
  x1911 emergency only
  x5424 non-emergency

Health and Counseling Services
For confidential professional counseling, an assessment, and medical care:
  x5458

The Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services
For confidential information on drugs and alcohol, resources and referrals, and support in recovery:
  x5743 or jgifford@hampshire.edu

Residence Life
For substance-free housing options:
  x5543 Assistant Director of Residence Life

For support, referrals, and problem-solving:
  x5770 Dakin House Director
  x5085 Merrill House Director
  x5314 Greenwich and Enfield House Director
  x5085 Prescott House Director

Off-Campus

You may contact the Wellness Center and Sexual Offense Services for information about Five College and local groups and resources.

Alcoholics Anonymous (Confidential)
  413.532.2111
  www.westernmaaa.org

Alanon (Confidential)
  413.253.5261
  www.valleyalanon.org

Narcotics Anonymous (Confidential)
  800.481.6871
  www.na.org

SMART Recovery (Confidential)
Group treatment:
  413.586.8550

Self-Screening Questionnaire (Confidential):
  www.alcoholscreening.org

Web Support for Tobacco Cessation
  413.586.2016
  413.586.2539
  www.trytostop.org
  www.quitnet.org

CONDUCT HEARING PROCEDURES

The president of the College delegates to the dean of students the authority and responsibility for the administration of all conduct hearing procedures that involve student behavior. The dean of students directly addresses the most serious cases of misconduct and provides oversight of all other conduct hearing procedures, which are administered by the dean of students or designee, residence life staff, or the Community Review Board.

DEAN OF STUDENTS

The dean of students or designee administers conduct hearing procedures for cases that are referred by the residence life staff or cases that are considered to be of greater severity and/or frequency. Consequences for the serious violations include, but are not limited to, fines, restitution, community service, parental notification, warnings, room-choosing restrictions, house probation and suspension from any particular residence, and disciplinary probation. Additionally, the dean of students, in the most serious cases, may impose suspension or expulsion from the College.

RESIDENCE LIFE

The houses have a process for addressing conduct issues in college residences. Consequences for the violation of the Norms for Community Living within the houses include fines, restitution, community service, warnings, room-choosing restrictions, house
probation, and suspension from any particular residence. In addressing conduct issues, members of the residence staff may take into consideration differences in population, culture, and structure among the houses. Residence Life staff may refer any particular case to the dean of students office, the Community Review Board, and/or the sexual offense services coordinator. In those instances where students come into conflict with the norms described above and are in disagreement with actions taken by house staff, an appeal may be made to the senior associate dean of students for residence life, or any of the Student Life deans if the senior associate dean is not able to hear the case. The overall climate of community life at Hampshire must be one of honesty, respect for the rights of all community members, and individual acceptance of responsibility. Failure to act in accordance with the standards of conduct outlined in this code will be treated as a failure of responsible community interaction and lead to disciplinary action.

**House Sanction Appeals**

1. Students who have come into conflict with community standards and are in disagreement with actions taken by house staff may file a house sanction appeal with the senior associate dean of students for residence life, or any of the Student Life deans if the senior associate dean is not able to hear the case. Students may appeal the house director’s findings and/or sanctions, though findings may be appealed only on procedural grounds. The dean’s responsibility in hearing an appeal is (a) in the case of an appeal of sanction: to make a decision to let stand or alter the original sanction; or (b) in the case of an appeal of procedure, to make a decision to let stand or alter the findings of the house director, and, in the case of new or different findings, to decide an appropriate sanction. The original house sanction will be in effect throughout the duration of the appeals process. The sanction will be altered only if and when the complainant is informed by the dean that such a decision has been made.

2. Students appealing house sanctions must file their appeal with the dean in person, and must provide a written statement of appeal at that meeting. The statement should include the following information:
   a. The name of the appellant and the name of the house director who issued the sanction
   b. The community standard(s) that the student had been sanctioned for allegedly violating
   c. A narrative summary from the appellant explaining the rationale for the appeal

4. The complaint must be timely, that is, submitted to the senior associate dean of students for residence life within ten (10) working days of the house director providing the student with written notification of their disciplinary action.

5. The original house sanction will be in effect throughout the duration of the appeals process. The sanction will be lessened or overturned only if and when the appellant is informed by the dean that the decision has been altered.

**COMMUNITY REVIEW BOARD**

The purpose of the Hampshire College Community Review Board is to provide fair and equitable procedures for Hampshire College students accused of violating community standards, including but not limited to the Norms for Community Living, the code of conduct, and the antidiscrimination policy. The board will make decisions regarding matters of fact surrounding specific complaints and determine if the respondent did violate community standards. If the board determines that a student did violate the community standards, it will recommend an appropriate sanction to the dean of students for implementation. This recommendation will include, as necessary, any mitigating, extenuating, and/or aggravating circumstances discovered in the course of the board’s investigation.

The board is active during the academic year, while classes are in session. Complaints filed when the board is not in session, or
Complaints that cannot be brought to informal resolution through an informal process will be referred to the Community Review Board if the complainant so desires. The complainant may be asked to describe actions or resolutions agreed on during the informal stage.

**Conduct Hearing Procedures: Formal Complaints**

1. Complaints may be brought by any member of the Hampshire community, including the office of the dean of students acting on behalf of the College.

2. In the formal stage, unresolved complaints are submitted to the Community Review Board. In order for a complaint to be heard by the board, it must be submitted in writing to the advisor to the board and signed by the person who will appear before the CRB as the complainant. Complainants will meet with the advisor to the board, at which time they will be provided with a copy of the standard college complaint form to complete. The complaint form contains the following specific information:
   a. The name(s) of the complainant and the respondent(s)
   b. The community standard(s) alleged to have been violated
   c. A narrative summary of the conduct that violated the Norm(s), including the name(s) of the alleged offender(s), the date, the time, and the location of the offense
   d. A list of the information to be presented to support the allegation (notes, papers, writings, photographs, statements, reports, etc.)
   e. A list of the witnesses who will appear to present the facts in the case

3. The complaint must be timely, submitted within 14 weeks of the alleged event, except in the case of sexual violence (see Sexual Offenses Policy) or other compelling circumstances as determined by the board. The following periods are not applicable to the 14 week timeline: between the last day of classes in the spring semester and the first day of classes in the fall semester; between the last day of classes in the fall semester and the first day of classes in the spring semester.

4. The chairperson of the board (or other CRB member as designated by the chair), with guidance from the advisor to the board, will review the complaint and decide on one of the following options:
   a. Not to charge the respondent(s) due to insufficient information or untimely submission of complaint, as defined above.
b. Recommend to the full board not to charge the respondent(s) due to a determination that the charge is frivolous or harassing. Such a decision would need to be reviewed and approved by a quorum of the board. Complaints determined to be frivolous or harassing may themselves be grounds for disciplinary action.

c. Charge the respondent(s) with violating community standards and schedule a hearing. Formal, written notice of the charge will be provided to the respondent(s) by the advisor to the board. A copy of the complaint statement as written by the complainant will simultaneously be provided to the respondent(s) and the dean of students. The respondent(s) will be allowed at least five working days between notification of the charge and the hearing to prepare a response. The respondent(s) may petition the board for an extension of time to prepare, which may be granted at the discretion of a quorum of the board. Upon scheduling of the hearing, a copy of the complaint statement as written by the complainant will be submitted to board members who will be hearing the case. This will include any additional documentation that has been submitted by the respondent, a copy of which will simultaneously be forwarded to the complainant and to the dean of students. All documentation, evidence, and names of witnesses must be submitted to the advisor to the board no later than three working days before the hearing, though the advisor may come to an earlier, mutually agreeable deadline with the complainant or respondent.

**Conduct Hearing Procedures: Dean’s Hearing**

The dean of students, or their designee, may act in cases when the Community Review Board is not in session or when it is otherwise not feasible for the board to meet. In such cases, the dean will independently convene and facilitate the CRB hearing, with guidance from the advisor to the board to ensure that the standard Community Review Board processes are followed.

The dean of students, or their designee, may also serve independently in place of the Community Review Board when a respondent requests a dean’s hearing instead of a hearing before the Community Review Board, or in extreme cases facing the Community Review Board (including, but not limited to, threatening and/or violent behavior to self or others and distribution of illegal drugs). The decision to allow a dean’s hearing will be made at the sole discretion of the dean of students.

**Hearing Procedures**

When a hearing is held by the board, all parties will abide by procedures set by the board and by this document.

1. The designated chairperson of the board, or other board member as designated by the advisor to the board in the absence of the chair, will control the conduct of the proceedings, recognizing persons who may speak and ensuring fair and orderly presentation of facts. Only those members who hear the entire case may participate in making final decisions and recommendations.

2. The board, in consultation with the advisor to the board, will decide what information is admissible, not necessarily following strict rules of evidence as in a court of law.

3. Persons appearing before the board may be accompanied by an advisor (a current faculty, staff, or student member of the Hampshire community), but may not be represented by another person or by an attorney. The board and its proceedings are not a court of law. The advisor’s role is to support the student and may speak only when recognized by the chair. The board may listen to the opinions of the advisor at its discretion. An advisor may be required to leave the proceedings if that advisor fails to follow the procedures of the board.

4. Witnesses may be sequestered during the hearing at the discretion of the board chair, in consultation with the advisor to the board. In no case will the respondent(s) or the
complainant(s) be required to leave while information is being given. However, the board may go into executive session at any time, excluding all persons other than the board and its advisor(s) from its deliberations.

5. The board may consult with advisors as it feels necessary, including, but not limited to, college legal counsel and/or the dean of students.

6. Every effort will be made to conclude the proceedings at one sitting. The board may choose to extend the hearing to more than one session, especially in complicated cases.

7. Board members must disqualify themselves if they are unable to hear a case with objectivity.

8. The hearing will be over when the board has determined, through careful examination of all information presented, that it has sufficient information to determine the merits of a finding of responsibility.

The failure of the respondent or the complainant to appear at a hearing does not prohibit the board from hearing a case. The board will review all available information and will then make a determination if sufficient facts exist to hear the case. In the case that the board feels sufficient information is available, it will proceed with the hearing as usual. As with all cases, the board may come to a finding of “not responsible” if they cannot ascertain the likelihood that community norms were indeed violated by the respondent(s).

The findings and any recommended sanction(s) from the board will be decided upon in an executive session of the board following a hearing. A majority agreement of board members present for a hearing is required in the board’s determination of findings and recommendation of sanctions. The findings and sanction(s), if applicable, are to be communicated in writing by the board members to the dean of students and to the respondent within three working days of the hearing.

The dean of students will impose any sanctions within three working days of receipt of the findings of the board. The dean of students shall either (1) accept the findings and recommended sanctions, (2) accept the findings but reduce the sanctions, or (3) ask to come before the board to seek reversal of the findings or increase the sanction(s). If the dean seeks a reversal or increased sanction, the dean will meet with the members of the board who were present at the hearing to review their findings and suggested sanctions, as well as the dean’s suggested modifications. Such a change must be approved by a majority of the board. The dean may be accompanied by college counsel. The dean may ask the board to review its decision only once.

Responsibilities of the Respondent

The respondent must appear before the board at the scheduled time for their hearing. The respondent must be truthful. The respondent is subject to the filing of disciplinary charges if they intentionally lie, conceal, or misrepresent information to the board during the hearing or in writing.

Rights of the Respondent

The respondent shall be provided with a copy of the complaint, as written by the complainant, prior to the hearing.

The respondent has the right to know the of the hearing at least five working days prior to the hearing so they may be able to prepare a response.

The respondent has the right to request a postponement, which may be granted for reasonable cause by a majority of the board, providing they notify the advisor to the board at least 36 hours in advance of the scheduled hearing. The advisor may ask that the request for postponement be put in writing.

Before the hearing begins, a respondent shall have the right to request a dean’s hearing in place of the hearing before the board. In making such a request, the decision to waive the original jurisdiction of the board shall be made by the dean reported by the advisor to the board at its next in-service training session.

The respondent may provide compelling reasons to challenge the participation of any board member; the decision shall be made by the board chairperson.

The respondent may remain silent, but, by doing so, is not immune from action by the Community Review Board if the circumstances warrant it.

The respondent shall be allowed to present witnesses and character references on their own behalf and to be accompanied by an advisor of their own choice. The advisor shall be a current faculty, staff, or student member of the Hampshire community. The respondent shall also be allowed to question witnesses whose statements may be considered by the board in its deliberations.

The board shall not permit the consideration of statements by witnesses not available for questioning, but this rule may be waived for good cause if the board by majority vote determines that admission of such a statement is in the interests of justice and will not cause undue prejudice to either party.

The respondent shall be provided with a copy of the letter of recommendation from the board to the dean.

The respondent in any conduct hearing shall have the right to appeal, as explained in the next section.
Responsibilities of the Complainant

The complainant must appear before the board at the scheduled time for the hearing.

The complainant must submit a written complaint on the college form.

The complainant must be truthful. The complainant is subject to the filing of disciplinary charges if they willingly commit perjury before the board or in writing.

Rights of the Complainant

The complainant shall be provided with a copy of any statement submitted to the Community Review Board by the respondent.

The complainant has the right to know the date of the hearing at least five working days before the hearing.

The complainant has the right to request a postponement, which may be granted for reasonable cause by a majority of the board, providing they notify the advisor to the board at least 36 hours in advance of the scheduled hearing. The advisor may ask that the request for postponement be put in writing.

The complainant may provide compelling reasons to challenge the participation of any board member; the decision shall be made by the board chairperson.

The complainant may choose not to answer questions posed by the respondent or members of the Community Review Board, but by doing so will not prevent continued discussion by the Community Review Board if the circumstances warrant it.

The complainant shall be allowed to present witnesses and character references on their own behalf and to be accompanied by an advisor of their own choice. The advisor shall be a current faculty, staff, or student member of the Hampshire community. The complainant shall also be allowed to question witnesses whose statements may be considered by the board in its deliberations.

The board shall not permit the consideration of statements by witnesses not available for questioning, but this rule may be waived for good cause if the board by majority vote determines that admission of such a statement is in the interests of justice and will not cause undue prejudice to either party.

The complainant in any conduct hearing shall have the right to appeal, as explained below.

Appeals

Both the respondent and the complainant have the right to appeal.

The Respondent

The respondent may appeal findings and sanctions. Findings may be appealed only on procedural grounds.

The Complainant

The complainant may appeal the findings, but only on procedural grounds. The complainant may not appeal sanctions.

Process for Appeal

Appeals of procedure by the complainant or the respondent will be heard by the president. Such appeals must be submitted in writing to the president’s office within seven (7) days after written notification of the dean’s final decision is sent to the respondent, and must state the specific rationale for a procedural appeal.

Appeals of the sanction by the respondent will also be heard by the president. Such an appeal must be submitted in writing to the president’s office within seven (7) days after written notification of the dean’s final decision is sent to the respondent, and must state the grounds for the appeal.

In all cases of an appeal, the president shall have 14 calendar days to review facts, investigate further, and render a decision. The president may take additional time to consider the appeal in cases where they deem it to be necessary. The president’s decision is final.

Disclosure of Disciplinary Outcomes

The results of conduct hearings are subject to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and can be disclosed only in accordance with the Act. Under FERPA, a school may not generally disclose a student’s disciplinary records to any third party unless the student has provided written consent. However, FERPA does permit disclosure of the final results of a conduct hearing to the victim or to the alleged victim’s next of kin, when appropriate, of any crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense regardless of whether the institution concluded a violation was committed. An institution may also disclose to anyone—not just the victim—the final results of a conduct hearing if it determines that a student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense, and with respect to the allegation made against him or her, the student has committed a violation of the institution’s rules or policies. Under the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, the college is required to disclose the results of a conduct hearing to the victim, when the proceedings involve a sex offense.

Members of the Community Review Board are not to discuss cases outside of the conduct hearing process. Information submitted in Community Review Board proceedings will be maintained in
Confidential files by the office of the dean of students for a period of seven years and then destroyed. A cumulative public record of board decisions will be maintained on the board’s website, and will be updated at the conclusion of each case. The record will contain a statement of the charge, the finding, and the recommended sanction(s), if any. All names or other personal identifying data (such as addresses and dates) will not be included in the public record. A copy of the record will be submitted to Community Council upon each update, for dissemination at its discretion. The purpose of this procedure is to keep the community informed as to the activities of the board and current interpretations of community values.

External Proceedings

The Community Review Board is not a substitute for civil or criminal courts; students pursuing complaints through the Community Review Board do not waive their right to pursue external remedies. Rape and all forms of sexual misconduct may also be subject to immediate disciplinary sanctions and possible civil or criminal complaints through the Northwestern District Attorney’s Office. In the case of external proceedings, the CRB, at its sole discretion, may elect to postpone the hearing date to an appropriate time.

Consequences and Disciplinary Sanctions

Actions have consequences, and a student who has engaged in unacceptable actions such as those listed above must expect at least one of the following penalties to be imposed by residence life staff, student life staff, or the Community Review Board. In some cases, faculty and/or families will be notified of disciplinary action taken against a student. Notifications will be done in compliance with FERPA. Failure to complete a sanction in the allotted time assigned by a dean or the Community Review Board is considered a violation of policy. Further disciplinary action may be taken in this case.

Expulsion from the College

This is the most severe penalty that can be administered by the College: the College severs its association with the individual permanently.

Suspension

While a suspension is in effect, the student is prohibited from visiting the College or using any of its resources, attending classes, having contact with an advisor or with faculty, and using community facilities (including the residence houses). Suspension lasts a specified length of time, as determined by the college official or hearing board adjudicating a particular case. While on suspension, a student is withdrawn from the College and must apply for readmission. Refer to the Readmissions Section of NSNS for specifics. Please be aware that if a suspended student completes course work in another program, the time spent in those courses cannot count as a semester of enrollment upon return to Hampshire College. The course work may be included in a Division II portfolio or Division III project with the approval of the student’s faculty committee.

Disciplinary Probation

Students placed on probation who violate community norms during this period will be faced with a particularly severe penalty, such as suspension or expulsion. Like suspension, probation lasts a specified length of time, as determined by the college official or hearing board adjudicating a particular case.

Exclusion from Campus

In those cases where the dean of students, or designee, determines that a student’s conduct or potential conduct presents a danger to themself or others, that student may be summarily denied access to the entire campus pending the disciplinary process.

House Eviction

When evicted from the houses, a student may remain an actively enrolled student but is allowed to use only the academic resources of the College. The student is required to live off-campus and to use only the buildings and resources necessary to complete academic work.

House Relocation

A student may be required to move from their assigned housing area. This sanction may range from one semester in relocation to permanent removal.

Room Lottery Restriction

This may be imposed alone or with another sanction. A student is not allowed to take part in the housing lottery. The assistant director of residence life will oversee the housing of the student in an available room after the lottery has ended.

House Probation

House probation may be imposed for severe or frequent violations of community norms that take place within the residences. House probation lasts a specified length of time, as determined by the college official or hearing board adjudicating a particular case. Additional violation of any of the Norms for Community Living anywhere else on campus may result in a student’s suspension from their assigned house. House probation may also include restrictions of certain housing privileges, including the privilege of hosting parties within the residences.
Warning

A warning by a member of the Hampshire College staff is intended to make the student aware of the possible consequences of irresponsible or inappropriate actions. A warning must be in writing and presented to the student within a reasonable time after the offense if it is to be used to influence the College’s future actions against the student.

Fines and Restitution

Hampshire staff members may issue fines for certain violations of community norms and policies as well as charges that cover the cost of an article unlawfully removed from the College or moved to another location at the College, or they may require restitution to cover the repair or replacement of any property (belonging either to the College or to an individual) that has been damaged or stolen. The cost of labor in moving, repairing, or replacing an item may be included.

Fulfilling Disciplinary Sanctions

If a student has not fulfilled the disciplinary sanctions imposed by the Community Review Board, dean of students or designee, or residence staff, the student’s degree will be withheld and official transcripts will not be released. The student will be issued an unofficial transcript, which will be stamped “Issued to Student” and “outstanding obligation.” Transcripts will not be issued to third parties.

If a student is suspended for disciplinary reasons, the dates of suspension will be noted on the student’s transcript. This information will be removed upon a student’s readmission to the College or when the suspension date has passed.

Transcripts of students who are expelled for disciplinary reasons will bear the notation “Permanently separated on [date]” by the dean of students. This notation will not be removed.

Appeals

Appeals of disciplinary sanctions that are imposed by the dean of students or designee are heard by the president. Such an appeal must be submitted in writing to the president within seven (7) days of the imposition of the sanction and must state the grounds for the appeal. In the case of an appeal, the president shall have 14 calendar days to review facts, investigate further, and render a decision. The president may take additional time to consider the appeal in cases where they deem it to be necessary. The president’s decision is final.

MEDICAL LEAVE

A medical leave is a leave of absence from the College that may be granted to students who are unable to continue their enrollment because of physical or psychological conditions. Students seeking a medical leave must contact Health and Counseling Services (x5458) to discuss the circumstances and to obtain medical verification of their need to leave the College. All medical leaves are processed through Health and Counseling Services. Students seeking a medical leave must fill out a medical leave declaration. As with any other leave, the College reserves the right to deny a student’s request for medical leave.

A student on voluntary or involuntary medical leave normally will not be permitted to participate in college activities or to utilize the College’s services, facilities, or programs (including extracurricular activities) and will also be restricted from entering the campus during the leave period; exceptions to these restrictions must be approved in advance by the dean of students.

Students on medical leave must complete a readmissions application. Refer to the Readmissions section for details.

Students who have waived insurance coverage for the preceding term are not eligible to apply for insurance while on medical leave. Students enrolled in the insurance plan are eligible for coverage for a maximum of two semesters. Insurance must be requested. Refer to the student financial services website for more information.

A change of status from fully enrolled to leave of absence after the opening of the term (enrollment check-in date) will, if approved, lead to the partial or full forfeiture of tuition, room, and board fees. Refer to the fee brochure and the website studentaccounts.hampshire.edu for the refund schedule. Factors determining the amount of the refund include the date of leave, the type of leave, and the financial aid status of the student. Upon leave, financial aid students may have a part of their aid returned to the programs that assisted them as mandated by the federal return-of-funds formula. Returns are applied in the following order: federal student and parent loans, federal grants, college and outside grants and scholarships. Students will be responsible for a balance due created by the return-of-funds process.

Vacating Student Rooms

Students who go on medical leave must vacate their on-campus rooms within 48 hours after the date on which the leave is granted, as approved by Health and Counseling Services or student life personnel. All residential keys must be returned to the housing operations office upon a student’s departure. Failure to comply with this policy may result in additional charges commensurate with the amount of time a student has taken to vacate their room or to make arrangements with the housing operations office to have articles moved to storage.

International Students

International students (i.e., those on visas) must consult with their international student advisor regarding visa implications of medical
leave. The advisor, Melissa Scheid Frantz, is located in the Lebrón-Wiggins-Pran Cultural Center and can be reached at x5415 or mysSA@hampshire.edu.

**Relation of Medical Leave to Academic Work**

Students who begin a medical leave (voluntary or involuntary) during a semester do not have the option of completing the semester’s academic work. A student who goes on medical leave within the last two weeks of classes may appeal to the dean of academic support and advising to discuss the possibility of completing work. Students must make this request in writing to the Dean rather than negotiating with individual faculty to complete work. Approvals will be considered on a course-by-course basis. If an exception is granted for one or more courses, a firm date for completion will be set and the semester will count as a term of enrollment.

**Duration of Medical Leave**

Students on medical leave normally will be assumed to be on leave for the remainder of the semester in which the leave began and for one additional semester. Students beginning a medical leave within the last two weeks of classes are considered to be on medical leave for the remainder of the semester as well as two full consecutive semesters. Students must be permitted to return in accordance with the Readmission Policy.

Students who remain on medical leave beyond two semesters should contact CASA in writing to indicate their intention to stay on medical leave and eventually reapply. Students on medical leave who fail to notify the College of their intentions after two semesters of medical leave will be withdrawn from the College.

Students who want to return to the College after any medical leave (voluntary or involuntary) must follow the Readmission Policy.

**Involuntary Medical Leave**

All students (including those with physical or psychological conditions) are required to meet the academic, behavioral, and other standards of the College; requests for reasonable accommodations to meet these requirements are considered on a case-by-case basis. Threatening or other inappropriate behavior by a student will usually be addressed either through the College’s disciplinary process or by a qualified health professional. Where such behavior is deemed attributable to a physical or psychological condition, the College may, in its discretion, initiate the following:

The College may encourage the student to voluntarily seek professional assistance and/or apply for a voluntary medical leave in order to address the condition. If the student is unwilling to take a voluntary medical leave, the College may place the student on involuntary medical leave. When, prior to being placed on an involuntary medical leave, a student requests to take a voluntary medical leave, they normally will be permitted to do so.

Examples of behavior that may lead to involuntary medical leave include, but are not limited to:

- Engaging in or threatening behavior that is deemed dangerous to the student or to others (e.g., physical threat to self or others, suicide attempt or threat, demonstrated inability to care for oneself)
- Engaging in or threatening behavior that is deemed to be disruptive of the ability of the student or other members of the college community (including other students, faculty, and staff) to participate in the College’s academic, residential, or social environment
- Engaging in or threatening behavior that is likely to cause significant damage to property

The following procedures will apply to involuntary medical leaves:

- Prior to placing a student on involuntary medical leave, the dean of students, the director of Health and Counseling Services, or the director of counseling services will make an assessment of the student’s ability to participate in the College’s academic, residential, or social environment. When the student is available on campus, the assessment may include a meeting with the director of health or counseling services or a dean of students, at
which they will: (a) discuss the areas of concern with the student; (b) give the student an opportunity to respond to those concerns; and (c) explain the College’s involuntary medical leave policy to the student. Further assessment may include consultation with persons knowledgeable about the College’s obligations regarding students with disabilities and with appropriate health or other professionals. The total assessment will take into consideration the following: (a) the nature, duration, and severity of the risk of harm; (b) the likelihood that the harm will occur; and (c) whether reasonable modifications of policies, practices, or procedures would sufficiently mitigate the risk.

• If the process is initiated by a dean of students, the dean may require the student to be evaluated by an appropriate health professional selected by the College. Such evaluation normally must be completed within five business days after the dean’s request. The student will be requested to sign a written authorization permitting the health professional to exchange health information with appropriate representatives of the College. A student’s refusal to sign such authorization will impede the dean’s ability to make an assessment and may negatively affect the leave decision.

• If the assessment results in a decision to place the student on involuntary medical leave, the assessor will inform the student of that decision in writing. The student may request reconsideration of the decision by submitting a written request (including the grounds for reconsideration and requested resolution) to the dean of students within ten (10) business days of receiving notice of the decision. The student will also need to sign a form giving the dean permission to speak with any medical professionals involved in the case. The student also may utilize the Section 504 complaint procedure referred to in the Disabilities’ Policy section of this handbook.

• The College may immediately suspend a student from the campus and/or from student housing if it determines that such immediate action is warranted due to: (a) imminent risk of substantial harm to the health/safety of the student or others; (b) the student’s refusal to participate in any part of the above-described process; or (c) a senior administrator’s determination that such action is necessary under the circumstances then known to them. Following an immediate interim suspension, the College will engage in the procedures described above as soon as reasonably practicable.

Students placed on involuntary medical leave will be subject to the policies and procedures, including those for readmission.

OTHER POLICIES

COLLEGE ID CARD

A Hampshire College ID is necessary for use of the library facilities at Hampshire and the other four colleges in the Five College consortium, and for entrance to some buildings, student payroll check cashing, eating in the dining commons, and admission to the Robert Crown Center. Campus Police officers or other college employees may ask you to produce identification to verify that you are indeed a student at Hampshire. Students must comply with such a request. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action up to and including escort from the Hampshire College campus. The OneCard office will replace a lost ID for a fee.

SUMMER ACCESS TO CAMPUS FACILITIES AND GROUNDS

Students may visit campus offices during summer business hours following the office’s procedures for appointments or drop-ins. Students wishing to access academic spaces at any time during the summer need permission of the faculty overseeing their work, as well as the School dean. Students wanting access to other campus facilities at any time, or campus grounds outside of business hours need authorization from the appropriate office or department in advance. Offices granting access should notify Campus Police that permission has been granted for the student, including the approved date(s) and time(s) for which access has been approved. Hampshire does not provide housing for students over the summer, and all residences are closed.

Hampshire College students who will be on campus the following fall term may have access to the following library services during the summer:

• Circulation of books, CDs, and bound periodicals, from the Harold F. Johnson Library Center
• Direct borrowing and Request Item access to Five College libraries
• Inter-Library Loan: Students do not have access to interlibrary loan during the summer, but may request exceptions by speaking to the Interlibrary Loan assistant

Infractions of normal rules and procedures may result in denial of borrowing privileges.

Hampshire College students may not have access to the following services during the summer: media services, and TV studio and editing facilities.
ADJUDICATING BREACHES OF DISCIPLINE BY FIVE COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Five College consortium provides an enhanced learning environment with access to an almost unlimited variety of academic, social, and cultural resources. We are all well aware of the importance of maintaining good relationships among the five colleges. For that reason, the Five College deans of students have adopted the following resolution for maintaining standards of conduct at each of their institutions:

If a breach of discipline or good conduct is committed by a student from one of the colleges while visiting another of the Five College campuses, that violation will be treated as though it occurred on the student’s home campus. The student will then be subjected to their own institution’s applicable and appropriate judiciary procedures.

RESIDENCE LIFE AND HOUSING

Since our founding, Hampshire College has been envisioned as a residential learning community. This has meant that not only does Hampshire strive to provide safe, secure, and comfortable living areas for students, but we also strive to provide a dynamic, intellectual environment outside the classroom. The residence life system encourages students to assume community responsibility and to respect the diverse backgrounds and lifestyles of our community members by providing opportunities for residents to learn about differences and to intentionally create a community that embraces those differences.

Students live in five “houses” on the Hampshire campus. Merrill and Dakin Houses are modeled on traditional dormitories, whereas Greenwich, Enfield, and Prescott Houses provide apartment-style living. All of the houses have a designated space where residents can gather for programming events and to meet their staff. A house director who also lives in the residence supervises each housing area. House directors work to create a healthy, stable, and vibrant community for their residents. They facilitate the academic, cultural, and social programming that takes place in the houses to promote an environment of growth and a sense of community. House directors support students experiencing distress. They may provide nonclinical counseling, referrals, mediation, crisis response, academic advice, and resources for a variety of concerns. They also oversee the enforcement of the Norms for Community Living in their houses.
The staff of the housing operations office meet the operational needs of the residences. Their office is located in the Merrill Student Life Center. The housing operations staff ensure that the residences are in good repair and perform necessary administrative functions pertaining to student moves and housing assignments. When on-campus moves take place, housing operations staff check students out of their rooms and collect their keys. The staff are responsible for room condition inventories and billing for damages and lost or missing items, including keys. Students should go to the Housing Operations Office to receive replacements for lost room keys. Housing operations staff also oversee fire, health, and safety inspections and conduct a weekly walk-through of each residential area of the campus.

In addition to the professional staff, each house has student interns who act as liaisons between the professional staff and the students. They are the frontline community builders and troubleshooters for residence life. Interns receive intensive training at the beginning of each semester, attend weekly staff meetings, and participate in monthly in-service training workshops. Interns provide peer counseling, conflict resolution, and referrals to appropriate services and help to implement the policies and procedures necessary for the smooth running of the residences. They are also actively involved in providing the programming sponsored by each house.

**RESIDENCE LIFE AND HOUSING POLICIES**

Members of the Hampshire College community are required to abide by the laws of Massachusetts, the laws of the town of Amherst, and the rules and policies set forth by Hampshire in Non Satis Non Scire.

**Administrative Action**

When it is found, through reports of the residence hall staff, housing operations staff, or Campus Police officers, for example, that a student has violated the policies of Hampshire College as specified in Non Satis Non Scire, the College reserves the right to review the case and take appropriate administrative action.

**Use of Student Rooms**

Only registered Hampshire College students may live on campus. Housing is contingent upon a student’s maintaining an active student enrollment status. The only persons who may reside in a room are those assigned by the College. Residents may not invite or permit any other person to reside in their assigned room or in any other area of a residence hall.

Student rooms are to be utilized as bedrooms and/or study space. The use of bedrooms for other purposes is prohibited.

**Subletting**

Subletting of a student room to any other person not officially assigned to that room is prohibited. Students violating this policy are subject to disciplinary action.

**Guests**

Students are permitted to have overnight guests in their rooms or apartments as long as the host is on campus during that time. Hosts must register their guests with their house office (this can be done in person or online), indicating the length of the visit, which may never exceed one week at a time or more than 15 days cumulatively in a semester, even if the guest has had more than one host. Guests’ vehicles must be registered with Campus Police if the vehicle will be parked on campus any time Monday–Friday, from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. All guests are expected to abide by Hampshire’s policies and Norms for Community Living. Responsibility for the conduct and safety of guests lies with the host. Any damage incurred by a guest will be charged to the host. Any guest whose behavior is disruptive will be required to leave campus.

**Right of Entry**

Students’ right to privacy in their bedrooms is respected by the College to the extent practicable. In most instances, the College is able to give students advance notice of a need to enter student rooms. A submitted work order acts as permission for facilities and grounds personnel to enter a student’s room for the purpose of making the requested repair(s). Other appropriate college employees may enter student rooms under the following conditions:

- In an emergency or situations that involve possible harm to persons or property, danger, or criminal activity
- To conduct fire safety/health inspections
- At the start of the winter vacation when staff carry out shutdown procedures in the residence halls
- When a student cannot be found on campus to resolve situations taking place in their room that affect other students, such as when another student is scheduled to move into that room or when loud music or a ringing alarm is left untended.

**Quiet Hours**

Campus-wide quiet hours are: after 11 p.m. Sunday to Thursday and after 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Noise that infringes on a person’s working environment at any time cannot be tolerated. The use of amplified instruments in the residences, indoors or outdoors, and the placing of stereo speakers in windows facing outward are prohibited.
**Smoking**

Smoking is prohibited in all campus buildings and within 25 feet of all buildings. Evidence of smoking inside residences may result in disciplinary action that could call for removal from the residences.

**Key-Card Access Policy for the Residences**

All exterior doors to buildings equipped with card readers will be locked at all times. All students living in a building equipped with card access will have 24-hour key-card access to the building in which they live. All Hampshire College students have access to all residences with key-card access during non-quiet hours (Sunday–Thursday, 7:30 a.m.–11 p.m. and Friday–Saturday, 7:30 a.m.–2 a.m.). Tampering with the operations of doors, windows or card readers will result in disciplinary action that could include restitution of damages and removal from the residences.

The College, at the discretion of the dean of students office, has the right to make changes, or to restrict an individual student’s access settings on their card, for disciplinary reasons or for special accommodations. For more information, visit http://onecard.hampshire.edu or contact the OneCard office at onecard@hampshire.edu.

**Keys and Lockouts**

Any duplication of college keys is strictly prohibited.

Replacements for lost keys must be obtained from the housing operations office during working hours. If a key to a student room is lost, the lock on the door is automatically changed and two new keys are made. In the apartments, if an entry key is lost, the lock is changed and replacement keys issued to all residents of that apartment. When a lounge key is lost, a new key to the lounge is issued to the resident. Students are charged $5 for each key replaced, $50 for each bedroom re-core, and $100 for each apartment entry re-core, (this includes key replacements for all apartment residents. Replacements for lost key cards (in applicable residence areas) must be obtained from the OneCard office, located in the basement of the library. Lost cards will be immediately deactivated and a new card issued to the student for a fee.

If a room key is not returned within 48 hours after occupancy is concluded, the lock must be changed. Students will be charged for replacement lock core and keys, as above.

Key cards (in applicable residence areas) will be automatically deactivated immediately after occupancy is concluded, and will be reactivated if and when new occupancy begins.

In the case in which keys and/or a key card are lost, access to a student’s room can be obtained by calling Campus Police (x5424 or 413.559.5424).

**Proper Upkeep—Student Responsibilities**

Students are responsible for the cleanliness of their own rooms and for their common spaces. In the dormitories, the common areas are the lounges and in the apartments they are kitchens (including the insides of stoves and refrigerators), living rooms, and bathrooms. The cleanliness of all areas must meet the standards of fire and safety codes. Residents are responsible for bringing trash from rooms, lounges, and apartments to dumpsters; recyclables to recycling sheds; and compost to public collection areas. As recycling is the law in Amherst, all members of the community must comply. Recyclable materials must be clean and sorted before they are deposited in the recycling sheds.

Students living in apartments are responsible for providing their own cleaning materials and equipment. Residents in all areas may borrow vacuum cleaners from their house offices. Housing operations staff conduct full health and safety inspections of each student’s room and common areas at least one time during each semester. Violations are cited and students are required to correct them in a timely way. Failure to do so could result in educational and disciplinary sanctions, up to and including the loss of housing privileges.
Requests for Repairs

Hampshire College uses MySchoolBuilding.com as its maintenance request system. This service enables you to submit building repair requests for your room, hall, or apartment to our Facilities and Grounds Department online. Requesting maintenance service in your room or mod authorizes a Facilities Department worker to enter the area you specify. You do not need to be present for the repair work to be done. Facilities employees normally will not attempt to work in a student’s room or apartment before 9 a.m. unless there are special reasons for doing so. For emergency maintenance issues after business hours, call Campus Police. Please DO NOT call Facilities and Grounds directly.

Room and Common Space Contracts

Room and common space contracts detail the condition and content of those spaces at the beginning and end of a student’s occupancy of the space. These contracts provide mutual protection for residents and the College.

Students are required to sign room and common space contracts when they move in. A student’s signature on the contract indicates that they agree with the assessed condition of their room.

Students have an opportunity to review room and common space contracts upon moving into their rooms. A student has five working days from the signing of their room contract to notify the housing operations office of any disagreements with the stated condition of the room.

When vacating a space, a student is responsible for checking out properly, which entails the student and a residence life staff member together comparing the final condition of the room with the information on the original contract.

When a space is vacated, the room and common area contracts are used to assess the condition of the facilities and to determine whether or not students are responsible for any damage beyond normal wear and tear. Any appropriate charges, including charges for necessary extra cleaning and/or missing furniture, are assessed. Damages will be billed according to a rate schedule, available from the housing operations office.

Common areas are assessed and billed for damage and cleanliness at the end of both fall and spring semesters.

Any student who does not review and sign their contract when moving into their room, or fails to properly check out of a room, forfeits the opportunity to challenge the final assessment of the space and is liable for any damages that are charged.

Room Damages

Damage to student rooms and/or damage to or removal of furnishings or equipment, beyond ordinary wear and tear, will be charged to the last known student occupant(s) of that room. This will include, without limitation, material and labor costs for replacing missing furniture, screens, window stops, heater covers, draperies, other safety devices, stoves or any other equipment that is part of the room or mod. Damages to the public areas of a residence hall or mod will be charged to all residents of the smallest applicable area of the hall or mod, the total being divided equally. Group charges may include costs for replacing missing furniture and other furnishings that cannot be attributed to specific individuals. Assessments for damages are made as students move and at the end of the academic year. Disablement or removal of safety devices may result in personal liability for harm that may arise from such acts and may be subject to disciplinary action.

Under no circumstances are students permitted to paint their rooms or common areas. Failure to abide by this rule will result in charges for paint and labor to restore the room or common area to its original condition.

Deposits and Charges

Students pay a one-time “dormitory security deposit,” which covers room damage, room key, and key core. If there are no outstanding charges, this deposit is returned when a student separates permanently from the College.

Current fees and replacement charges for common situations and damage can be found on the Department of Residence Life’s webpage: www.hampshire.edu/studentlife.
Furnishings and Furniture
Room decorations are permitted, provided they do not exceed 40 percent of any wall and are not hung on ceilings, sprinkler pipes, over smoke detectors, or near any source of heat. Any method of affixing decorations that puts holes in or mars walls, woodwork, doors, or furnishings is prohibited. No decorations are allowed in hallways or stairwells with the exception of existing student room bulletin boards.

The building or installation of “lofts,” furniture, or other structures of any kind or size, including, but not limited to, cinder-block or wooden platforms, is prohibited.

Waterbeds are prohibited.

Hotpots and small microwave ovens are the only cooking devices allowed in student rooms and should be unplugged when not in use.

All college furnishings and fixtures must remain in student rooms and common spaces at all times.

Items furnished by the College in public and common areas may not be moved from those spots. If such items are found in student rooms, it will be treated as theft of college property.

Students may supplement college-owned furniture in common spaces with their own additions. However, the College is not responsible for damage or theft of non-college furnishings. It is the student’s responsibility to remove all non-college furnishings upon departure and summer shutdown. Furniture that remains in rooms and common spaces at the end of the academic year may be disposed of by the College.

All screens must be left in place, attached to the windows. Students are billed for detached, missing or damaged screens. Students may face disciplinary action if screens are removed, causing security risks to locked doors.

Residence Phones
Each apartment or residence hall corridor is equipped with a telephone provided by the College for on-campus and local calling. In addition, each residence room is equipped with a phone jack, with a line capable of making on-campus and local off-campus calls. Students must supply their own touch-tone phone. Long-distance service may be obtained by purchasing calling cards, available at the campus store.

The phone line in each student room is equipped with a voice mailbox by the College. College officials will use these voice mail accounts to disseminate official information and to leave messages regarding college business. Students are responsible for checking their voice mail, by either providing their own phone for the line or calling into the line from another phone.

Vandalism of college-provided phones will result in all hall or apartment residents bearing the cost of repairs or replacement and disciplinary action.

Collect calls will not be connected to student phones and long-distance collect, third-party, or credit card calls cannot be placed through the switchboard, nor can the switchboard staff take messages.

Student employees are not allowed to place personal long-distance calls from staff and faculty phones.

Cable TV Outlets
Each common space in the residence areas is equipped with a cable outlet. The College receives a cable signal in a central location in the library building and then feeds it to other areas on campus.

Using a splitter or any other device to receive the cable signal in other locations is prohibited; it is illegal and can weaken the signal throughout campus.

Energy Conservation
Heat, hot water, and electricity are provided by the College. Students are expected to be prudent concerning their use. With the ever-rising cost of electricity, the electrical bill is by far the largest single item in the college budget. It is imperative that all members of the Hampshire College community do all that they can to curtail waste.

Room Changes
Although students are expected to live in the same room for an entire academic year, there are sometimes extenuating circumstances that may warrant a move. If a student feels a move is necessary, they must meet with their house director to discuss those needs. Typically, the house director will first work with the student to solve any problems in the student’s living area. If despite everyone’s best efforts, the problem is irresolvable, the house director may grant permission for the student to move. If there are vacancies available, the student will be given an opportunity to move during the term or in January. Staff in the housing operations office will furnish information on room options and issue keys to the new room and oversee the completion of a new room contract. They will also do a checkout inspection of the previous room. Students receive a copy of their room contract, noting the final condition of the room they are checking out of and receipt of their room key(s).

Generally, all double rooms must house two people. Except with special permission from the house director (often requiring a replacement to be found), an occupant of a filled double may not move. When there is a single occupant of a double room, the assistant director of residence life reserves the right to assign a roommate.
or require the single occupant to move. If the assistant director of residence life determines it is possible to allow single-doubles in Merrill or Dakin, a lottery will be held to assign a final semester Division III student to those double rooms.

An administrative move may be determined as necessary by a member of the residence life staff or the dean of students office. In such cases, these staff reserve the right to move students to any vacancy on campus.

**Vacating Student Rooms**

Any student vacating a residence hall for any reason—including but not limited to withdrawal from the College, moving to a different residence hall, or vacating their room at the end of a semester—must have the room formally checked by a member of the house staff. Keys must be returned by the date a student officially changes their enrollment status or becomes less than fully enrolled (NOTE: some deadlines result in specific refunds) or within 48 hours of receiving keys to a new room. Failure to check out of a room properly will result in NOT being able to contest room damage charges.

**ROOM CHOOSING**

Students are expected to remain in their fall housing assignments for the duration of the academic year. Requests for exceptions to this policy due to exceptional circumstances must be supplied to the student’s house director.

After the enrollment notification deadline each spring and after housing exemptions have been decided, continuing students may take part in a campus-wide lottery/auction that takes place each spring semester to determine their fall housing. If an eligible student chooses not to take part in this lottery, they may select any room remaining when the lottery is completed. A description of the lottery process may be found on the Residence Life webpage, www.hampshire.edu/studentlife.

The housing operations staff makes all housing assignments that take place throughout the summer and the academic year to fill any vacancies that occur. Although returning-from-leave students may express a preference regarding a specific housing placement and on-campus students may express a preference regarding potential roommates, the final decision regarding room assignments is made by the assistant director of residence life.

**Opening and Closing of Residences**

- A student may not be admitted or leave luggage in a residence before the official opening date in the fall.

- All residence areas are closed during the winter break and occupancy is strictly forbidden. Facilities and grounds and residence life staff will enter each room during this period to turn down heat, monitor fire safety compliance, and secure all areas.

- All students must vacate their rooms by the end of Hampshire’s examination period at the end of fall semester and by 10 a.m. on the day after commencement in the spring semester.

- Arriving before the designated arrival time and failing to leave by the designated departure time may result in disciplinary action and a significant fine, commensurate with the amount of time a student has been on campus when they should not have been.

- Those students who have exams scheduled at one of the other area colleges or the university after Hampshire’s closing date must seek permission from the housing operations staff, by the posted deadline, to remain in Hampshire’s residences. In those cases in which permission is granted, students must leave on the day their exam is scheduled. In cases of self-scheduled and take-home exams at other institutions, Hampshire students may be required to vacate their rooms before the deadline given by Five College faculty. For exact deadlines, students should consult notices distributed by the housing operations office as the end of the term approaches.

**Storage**

Hampshire College provides very limited space for students to store some items over the summer. However, the College assumes no liability for those items and students use the storage spaces at their own risk for theft, water or fire damage, or any other type of loss. Students are limited to storing three boxes each (a mini-fridge may take the place of one box) and all items (with the exception of mini-fridges) must be in boxes. No furniture, computers or other electronic devices, or bicycles will be allowed in storage areas. Storage is available on a first-come, first-served basis and on-campus storage options will end if/when the storage spaces are full.

Students who are moving into Dakin, Merrill, or Prescott House for the coming academic year may store items in their new housing area over the summer. Greenwich and Enfield students must store their items in the basement of either Merrill or Dakin House and are prohibited from storing any items within their apartments. Because there is no storage within Greenwich or Enfield, one box per mod for kitchen items in those areas will be allowed into Dakin House storage. This box needs to be clearly labeled with the mod number and the date it is being deposited. All unclaimed boxes will be discarded at the discretion of residence life staff in the fall.
Storage closets within Greenwich and Enfield Houses are NOT secure and any items left at the end of the academic year will be discarded and students will be assessed charges for extra cleaning costs. Students who go on leave or field study may NOT leave items in storage during their absence. There is no access to storage over the summer. Students must remove items from storage within the first few weeks of September (dates will be posted in the fall). Items left beyond that time will be discarded at the discretion of residence life staff.

Students who do not use their three-box allotment of storage space may give their allotment to another student. They must accompany the student to the storage space and cosign the storage tag.

**Off-Campus Housing**

While Hampshire College is primarily a residential college, some years we are unable to house all students on campus. During those times, all first- and second-year students are guaranteed on-campus housing, if they desire. A process of students voluntarily requesting off-campus will be implemented in an attempt to meet the College’s housing needs.

In years when a housing shortage is not predicted, students will be required to live on campus except for those meeting the following criteria:

- Students 25 years of age or older.
- Students who live with a parent or legal guardian within 30 miles of campus.
- Students who are married (non-legal definitions may be considered) must live off-campus, as there are no provisions for dependents to live on campus.
- Students who have legal dependents living with them must live off-campus, as there are no provisions for dependents to live on campus.
- Students under 16 years of age as of September 1 of their entering year (or February 1 if a spring entrant) are not eligible to live on campus until they reach the age of 16. It is recommended that these students live off-campus with a parent or legal guardian.

Students seeking off-campus housing accommodations due to psychological, physical, or learning disabilities must seek support through our disability coordinator, who can recommend a housing exemption.

Students on leave of absence, exchange, or field study must resubmit a housing-preference form or an off-campus request during the semester prior to their return to full-enrollment status. Even if previously living off campus, they do not automatically retain permission to do so. Continuously enrolled students need to reapply for off-campus housing each spring and slots will be given according to the needs of the College for the upcoming academic year. For emergency purposes, all off-campus students are required to provide the College with their current local address and telephone number each semester. This information is made available to Hampshire staff and faculty.

**Safety**

Residence life staff and/or health and safety staff may enter common spaces and rooms as needed, and at least once during each term, to conduct fire, health, and safety inspections. Residence life staff also enter each room, as part of the December shut-down process, to check the heat and make certain windows and doors are secure. Students are required to comply with all fire, health and safety inspections carried out by college personnel.

To ensure the safety of the Hampshire community, students must abide by the following:

- Additions to, modifications of, and unauthorized connections to existing wiring systems (electrical, telephone, data, television, radio, cable/dish) are prohibited.
- The installation of air conditioners is prohibited.
- No resident is allowed on the roof of any building on campus, except in those instances when it is a secondary egress route in the event of a fire.

**Fire Safety**

As fire poses an extreme danger to the health and safety of all members of the community, fire safety regulations and precautions are very important and must be adhered to at all times. The cooperation of each individual is necessary for the safety of all.

**Fire Alarms**

When a building fire alarm activates on campus, both Campus Police officers and the Amherst Fire Department respond. Residents must leave the building immediately and remain at the designated gathering point until their presence is recorded. Students who fail to respond appropriately to fire alarms are liable to disciplinary action which may include community service and/or a fine of up to $300 and house probation which could lead to being moved or being prohibited from living on campus. No one may reenter the building until the fire
department determines that it is safe to return. Campus Police will open and enter locked rooms to ensure that no one is inside and to check for the source or cause of the fire alarm.

If the fire alarm activates and an individual knows the cause, this individual is required to call Campus Police from a safe location and explain what happened. If the fire alarm is activated by mistake (cooking smoke, shower steam, cigarette smoke, etc.), the individual responsible must be available to talk to Campus Police and the fire department. If the alarm is the result of negligent behavior (for example, smoking, leaving cooking unattended) a first offense will result in a warning and/or community service; a second offense will result in community service and/or a charge of $100 for each individual being held accountable; and a third offense will result in community service and/or a fine of $300 each. For second or third offenses additional disciplinary action, including house probation or loss of housing privileges, may be imposed. When responsible individuals cannot be identified, all residents of that particular area may be assessed.

Fire Drills

Campus Police and residence life staff conduct fire drills at least one time per semester in each residence area. All occupants of a residence hall must leave the building immediately any time the alarm sounds. These drills are not announced and staff may enter each apartment, hallway and room to ensure compliance with proper evacuation procedures. Staff may take the time to note fire safety violations and students will be held accountable at that time.

Tampering with Fire Safety Equipment

Fire extinguishers and fire detection and alarm systems are in place to protect the community. Tampering with fire safety devices is a serious violation of the Norms for Community Living and is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: disabling smoke detectors, covering smoke detectors with any materials whatsoever, activating an alarm when no hazard is present, hanging items from sprinkler pipes or discharging, tampering with or moving fire extinguishers. Violation of this policy will result in serious disciplinary sanctions, additional fire safety education, community service, restitution for any damages, as well as an immediate fine of $300. Repeat offenses may be subject to additional disciplinary action, including loss of housing privileges. When responsible individuals cannot be identified, all residents of that particular area may be assessed.

Fire Safety Regulations

- Halls, entrances, and egresses, including egress routes through common spaces, must be kept clear of all items at all times. This includes entryways to buildings, center rooms in Greenwich House, and all stairwells. Bicycles, or other items, may not be stored in hallways or entryways.
- No more than 40 percent of wall space may be covered by combustibles, such as tapestries or posters. Nothing can be hung from ceilings. No combustible holiday decorations such as trees or wreaths are allowed.
- Student door postings are limited to the existing bulletin board or a 2' x 2' area.
- Candles and incense are not permitted anywhere inside residential buildings.
- Light fixtures may not be covered by any materials (such as bedspreads, scarves, paper shades) nor may they be painted or darkened.
- Combustibles, such as furniture, recycling, clothing, curtains, and garbage, must be kept at least 12 inches away from heaters.
- No combustibles are permitted in hallways, stairwells, or egresses.
- Space heaters are not permitted in student rooms, with the exception of those provided by the College in response to a problem with the heating system.
- Toaster ovens may be used only in kitchens or lounges. They must be kept clean at all times and unplugged when not in use.
- Cooking is not allowed in student rooms with the exception of the use of a hot pot or small microwave oven, which must be unplugged when not in use.
- Students must exercise caution in locating and using appliances, other electronics and extension cords. Only UL-approved extension cords with surge protectors may be used. Electrical cords should be kept at least 12 inches away from heaters.
- Use of non-college alarm systems or other than college-issued locks, including locks on storage closets, is prohibited.
- The storage and use of flammable liquids (e.g. gasoline, paint thinner, spray paint, air brushes) and flammable gases (e.g. propane, acetylene), fireworks or other materials that pose an increased fire hazard are prohibited.
- Use of grills (charcoal or gas) is not permitted inside or on balconies or exterior stairwells and should be used at least 10 feet from any building.
feet away from the building. Propane gas containers must be stored outside, at least 3 feet away from building openings such as doors, windows, dryer vents and air intakes. Barbecues must not be left unattended.

- All gas-powered vehicles must be parked in student parking lots.
- Halogen lamps are a significant fire safety hazard if there are combustibles too close to the bulb. The use of these lamps is prohibited. Lamps with plastic shades must use compact fluorescent or 40 watt or less bulbs.
- Open fires (inside or outside) are prohibited on campus, unless prior written approval is granted by the director of Campus Police. Use of grills (charcoal and gas) is not permitted inside, on balconies or exterior stairwells. Charcoal barbecues are permitted, but must take place at least 10 feet from buildings. Barbecues must not be left unattended.
- Other activities or items that pose an increased risk of fire or impede fire response will be prohibited upon discovery.

**ALCOHOL USE IN THE RESIDENCES**

Hampshire College’s alcohol policy appears in an earlier part of this chapter. All laws and policy outlined there will be enforced in the residences. Because residence areas contain both public and private spaces and house some individuals who are over the legal age to drink and some who are under, additional policies are in place.

Only those individuals who are 21 years of age or older may possess alcoholic beverages. Any alcoholic beverage found in the possession of someone under 21 years of age may be confiscated and disciplinary action will follow. Alcohol may be stored only in the private rooms of those who are of legal age to drink alcohol, and those individuals may store only their own alcohol for private use. Alcoholic beverages may not be stored in any common space, including, but not limited to, kitchens and lounges.

Other than at a registered event, open containers of alcoholic beverages are allowed only in the private rooms of those who are 21 years of age or older and in the residence common spaces of campus apartments where all residents are 21 years of age or older. Open containers of alcohol found outside of private rooms, including, but not limited to, lounges, porches, balconies, and hallways, will be confiscated and those individuals possessing the open containers, no matter their age, may face disciplinary action. Unregistered kegs will be confiscated and students will forfeit any deposits on the kegs or taps.

**SOCIAL EVENTS HOSTED IN THE RESIDENCES**

A social event on the Hampshire College campus is considered to be any gathering at which more than 15 people are in attendance. For any social event in the residences, whether or not alcoholic beverages will be served, an authorized event registration form must be obtained at least 24 hours prior to the event from the house director of the residence. Prior to obtaining the registration form, those hosting the event must meet with the house director to understand their responsibilities as event hosts. The meeting also ensures that students understand all policies that are in place. A house director may deny a hall or mod the privilege of hosting an event if any member of that living space has a current disciplinary sanction.

Event registration forms require the signatures of two residents of the hall or mod where the event is taking place. These individuals must be willing to take responsibility for the event by taking part in the discussion with the house director prior to the signing of the event registration form and by ensuring that all college policies and laws are adhered to during the event. If alcoholic beverages are being served during the event, both signers of the registration form must be 21 years of age or older. Those serving alcohol are required to check identification. Events will not be authorized if excessive alcohol is being served or if there is a lack of adequate nonalcoholic beverage and food. Event registration forms will be authorized only for a single hall or mod to host an event. Attendance at events within living areas is limited due to fire-safety concerns. Larger events should take place outside the residences. Entertainment must not be so loud as to disturb neighboring residents. Only one event registration form
will be authorized in each residence area on a single night. Social events in the residences will not be authorized to take place during or around the time of large-scale campus events or during the time of college quiet hours. Therefore, events in the residences ordinarily will be authorized only for Friday and Saturday nights. They will not be authorized to take place during Hampshire’s exam period or the exam periods of any of the other Five Colleges, during break periods (October break, Thanksgiving break, or spring break), during any time of the Halloween weekend, during Spring Jam, or during the weekend of graduation. House directors may refuse to authorize events during other large-scale campus events.

DEPARTMENTAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

CAMPUS PLANNING

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Occasionally students will seek permission and logistical support for setting up what are often referred to as “outstallations”. An outstallation is a temporary display of a project in a space that is not typically used for such purposes. Some recent examples are a maze for adult recreation, sculptures, and a meditation garden. Hampshire College encourages the creative use of space and will work with the sponsor(s) of a proposed work to insure that the outstallation is safe and does not create a hazard. If these goals cannot be achieved or if the proposed outstallation would deface college property or place an undue burden on its resources, the project will not be approved.

Students interested in setting up an outstallation or in temporarily altering a space on campus should submit a proposal to the campus planning office (Box PP). The proposal should include a description of the project, an explanation of its purpose, the timeline for setup and removal, the material to be used, the desired location on campus, and a detailed sketch if possible. The campus planning office will subsequently contact other stakeholders on campus to ensure that the project is feasible, appropriate, and safe.

If a proposed project is approved by the campus planning office, sponsors will be required to sign a contract that details all of the parameters and stipulations that have been agreed upon. The project sponsors will also be responsible for timely cleanup and removal of the outstallation and for restoring all areas affected by the work to its former condition.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)

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The IT computer labs are available to all members of the Hampshire community to support teaching, learning, and research. Unauthorized use of these facilities is prohibited.

STUDENT COMPUTING ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Hampshire College’s computing, server, network, and Web resources support academic, research, and administrative needs of all students, faculty, and staff members of the college community. The following policy is intended to shape the College’s use of these resources and to assert our shared values and expectations. Students agree to this policy by virtue of their relationship with the College.

The College owns the network, servers, and all college-purchased computer systems. Personal use of the College’s computing resources is permissible as long as it does not interfere with other users’ access to resources for academic work and is not excessive. The College assumes no obligation to retain any personal files or other information after a student graduates or withdraws from the College.

Accounts to college resources, including email, are issued to all students at time of enrollment and remain in effect as long as the student maintains a student relationship with the College. These accounts are for the sole use of the student to whom they are issued. Accounts are not transferable. Students are responsible for choosing
secure passwords and maintaining password confidentiality. Students are also responsible for checking their college email accounts regularly, as all official college correspondence via email is sent to these accounts only. The College is not responsible for setting up, using, or forwarding email to any other account. Students may retain email accounts as alumni in accordance with the College’s email policy.

Students may not access, inspect, or alter any file or directory belonging to another user without their permission. Students may not harass other users by sending unwanted email, programs, or other files that are knowingly disruptive or may be reasonably construed as threatening or disparaging of others. Students may not knowingly forward virus-infected email or files to others and are strongly encouraged to maintain updated virus protection software on their computer. Students may not use the College’s resources to gain unauthorized access to other computing resources either on campus or elsewhere. Nor may they use college computing, network, or Web resources, including access to the Internet, for solicitation or operation of commercial ventures or interests. Students may not use the College’s computer resources in any way that violates the College’s sexual offense, nondiscrimination, or other policies.

The College believes in freedom of speech regardless of the medium used for communication and does not want to act as a censor of information on college resources, including webpage content. However, the College will investigate complaints arising from either the college community or external sources and will comply with, and enforce, applicable laws and college policies as appropriate. All email and files on college-owned computers and servers are legally the property of the College. The College reserves the right to inspect email and files and take appropriate action without notice if there is reasonable belief that there has been intentional or inadvertent disruption to the College’s network or other shared resources or if there is suspected violation of this policy or applicable laws.

Students may not damage, deface, alter, or remove any college computing equipment from campus without authorization or deliberately attempt to degrade the performance of college computing or network resources. Students may not install software on any college computer system without appropriate authorization or install software that is in violation of any licensing agreement.

Guidelines regarding plagiarism and academic integrity apply to course work completed on computers and network and Web resources just as they do with any other type of course work. Students should be aware of and abide by all applicable copyright laws and licenses.

### ONECARD OFFICE

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OneCard office hours are M–F 9 a.m.–noon walk-in and 1–4 p.m. by appointment. Please contact onecard@hampshire.edu to make an appointment if you need to replace your OneCard. Replacement ID fee is $25.

### CAMPUS LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

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Through event registration and the formal recognition of student groups, Hampshire College encourages students to design and implement programs that enrich and are consistent with the educational mission of the College. The name “Hampshire College” and all abbreviations are the property of the Trustees of Hampshire College and may not be used to imply, either directly or indirectly, the College’s endorsement, support, favor, association with, or opposition to an organization, product, or service without permission of the College. The assistant dean of students for campus leadership and activities, as well as the dean of students office or designee, may deny recognition, or cancel events or activities that violate any of these criteria.

### Student Group Recognition Process

All groups, new and established, are required to submit a request-for-recognition form. This form, once completed and if approved, will activate the group for the next academic year. Campus leadership and activities will evaluate request-for-recognition forms and determine if a group will be recognized or if additional information is necessary for recognition. Consideration will be given to the type of activity or purpose of the group, risk, and safety, as well as the viability of the group determined by potential conflict with college rules and regulations. Groups may be asked to have a faculty or staff advisor, submit a self-risk activity assessment, and/or complete a student activities risk waiver for participating members of the group.
If the request for recognition form is not submitted or additional information is not provided, the request for recognition will be not be approved. Unrecognized groups are not allowed to receive college or Community Council funding. The group-recognition process is held in the spring for the following academic year. Each November there will be an abbreviated process enabling newly formed groups to request recognition.

**Purpose**

The recognition and approval process for student groups is intended to:

- Provide students with the opportunity to gain experience in cocurricular activities that enhance their educational experience
- Promote involvement in recognized student groups
- Help facilitate communication among student groups, staff, faculty, and administrators
- Provide training and education to encourage the formation and sustainability of student groups
- Assist students and groups in taking full advantage of college resources and facilities
- Provide students an opportunity to practice appropriate risk management with respect to their group activities

**Recognized Student Groups**

A recognized student group is:

- A group made up of currently enrolled Hampshire students
- A group that meets on campus
- A group whose meetings or events are open and accessible to the entire Hampshire community

**Benefits of Being a Recognized Student Group**

- The ability to apply for funding from the Student Activities Fee through FiCom
- Inclusion in the recognized student group list on Hampedia and student group mailing lists
- Access to computers, printer, fax, phone, mailboxes, and supplies at campus leadership and activities
- Participation in Hampfest, the Student Activities Fair

**Responsibilities of Recognition**

All members of student groups are expected to:

- Conduct themselves, both on and off-campus, as responsible members of the Hampshire community as defined in the Norms of Community Living. This includes obeying all applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- Provide full disclosure regarding national, state, or local affiliations, as well as details regarding dues, fees, or costs associated with membership.
- Refrain from committing, either verbally or through written contract, Hampshire College to any financial obligation.
- Adhere to the College’s anti-hazing policy and nondiscrimination policy as listed in NSNS.
- Exist for a purpose beyond the fiduciary benefit of the members.
- Inform campus leadership and activities and FiCom of any changes in student group leadership.
- Student groups, with some exceptions, may choose to have a member of the Hampshire faculty or staff be an advisor to their group. Many groups find it helpful to have a liaison on campus whose knowledge or expertise can be a resource to support their group’s mission. Some student groups are required to have an advisor because of safety and/or risk concerns.
- Attend a leadership seminar each semester organized by campus leadership and activities. In the event that a signer cannot attend, the student must notify the assistant dean of students for campus leadership and activities before the seminar and attend a make-up session.
Request for Review—Recognition Requirements

A student group has the right to request a review of the recognition decision and requirements determined by campus leadership and activities. A request for review provides a limited reexamination of the original decision. One of the following two conditions must be used as a basis for review:

1. There is discovery of new information that was not available at the time of the decision.
2. The recognition process was not followed. The assistant dean of students for campus leadership and activities will review each request.

The following conditions apply to the review process.

1. A written review must be filed with campus leadership and activities within five working days of receipt of the decision. The written request must state the grounds for review. The assistant dean will review the materials submitted and the original application for recognition. The assistant dean may confer with the Five College risk manager in order to determine a final decision.

2. The assistant dean will decide one of the following:
   - To uphold the original decision
   - To modify the recognition requirements

3. The assistant dean will provide a written decision to the student group within three working days of the review.

4. The decision of the assistant dean will be final.

Termination of Recognition

A student group can have its recognition terminated by campus leadership and activities due to:

- Submission of fraudulent materials
- Failure to resubmit a request-for-recognition form by the stated deadline
- Failure to follow Community Council regulations, college policies, and local and state/federal laws

If campus leadership and activities determines that a group should have its recognition terminated due to the above failures or other reasons, the assistant dean of students may recommend disciplinary sanction(s).

Discipline of Recognized Student Group Members

Anyone may submit a complaint regarding the action of a recognized student group to the assistant dean of students for campus leadership and activities. The discipline process for student groups is the same as the process for individuals.

Hosting/Registering an Event or Program

All events have an impact on the image and reputation of Hampshire College. Therefore, event organizers have the responsibility to ensure that their events reflect the core values of the institution: responsibility, community, and well-being. The event-registration process is designed to provide assistance to event organizers and student-group representatives in navigating the various steps necessary to host an event on campus. This includes providing support with reserving facilities, complying with applicable campus policies and procedures, and ensuring adequate program planning. The policy covers the following events hosted on campus:

- Events held outdoors
- Events involving alcohol
- Conferences and workshops
- Events in public spaces
- Events with an anticipated audience of 15 or more
- Events funded by Student Activities Fee (funded or sponsored by Community Council, student groups)

If an event organizer comes to the office of campus leadership and activities to register an event that does not require registration, that group will be directed to the appropriate facilities reservation office. For example, regular student-group meetings and events within the residence halls do not require event registration.

Large Events, Conferences, and Multiday Events

Large Events

Events with an expected attendance of more than 200 individuals require consideration beyond the 10-business-day event-registration requirement. Campus leadership and activities will work in conjunction with student organizers in an attempt to accommodate large events. However, because each event may require unique considerations, each must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Hosting Conferences or Multiday Events

Students who want to hold a conference or multiday event on campus must do so in conjunction with campus leadership and
activities. Conference planning requires a large amount of preparation and logistics. Considerations need to include: expected attendance of on- and off-campus individuals, parking and traffic, time of year, security, food, lodging, cost, location, setup, technical needs, conflicts, advertising, and guest registration.

Campus leadership and activities has guidelines that student organizers need to follow when planning a conference or multiday event. Planning must begin at least four months in advance. Due to availability of campus resources, students and student groups are allowed to host only one conference or multiday event a year. For information about additional requirements and planning procedures, please visit office of campus leadership and activities.

**General Event-Planning Guidelines**

**Process Steps**

1. The event organizer develops initial plans for an event, including choosing a tentative time, date, and place. The event organizer should consider and be prepared to discuss the following: program, budget, publicity, food/refreshments, tables, chairs, room setup, amplification, police, alcohol, non-student guests, admission fees, cosponsors, and estimated attendance.

Conduct in all campus facilities is expected to conform to the Campus-Wide Conduct Regulations as stated in Hampshire’s Norms for Community Living earlier in this chapter. All persons using the campus facilities, including guests, are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with these norms of behavior. Event organizers will be held accountable for individual policy violations by their guests.

2. The event organizer completes an event-registration form (ERF), found online at leadership.hampshire.edu. The ERF must be submitted at least 10 business days prior to the date of the event. Failure to meet the deadline will result in cancellation of any reservation requests associated with the event. Campus Police will decide the necessary Campus Police employees to work student events on a case-by-case basis. In the event that the necessary coverage is not available, the event may be canceled. The event organizer must also be authorized to make financial obligations for the requesting group. An account number is required to submit the ERF.

3. The event organizer will receive confirmation or denial of their request from campus leadership and activities. If the event organizer makes changes to the requested event (such as date, time, or place), they must notify all related offices that have previously been informed of the event with the corrected information. If the event organizer decides to cancel the event, they must notify campus leadership and activities. Events not canceled at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled start time could incur charges from the various entities involved.

4. The event organizer prepares for and holds the event.

5. The event organizer provides for cleanup, breakdown, pickup, and lockup, if needed.

*Large events, conferences, and multiday events require additional advance notification and preplanning. Please consult with campus leadership and activities.*

**Regulations**

- Alcoholic beverages are allowed only by special permit.
- Quiet hours begin 11 p.m. (Sunday–Thursday) and 2 a.m. (Friday–Saturday). Disciplinary action for violation of noise regulations will depend on the severity and frequency of the noise and the offender’s behavior when alerted by Campus Police or a staff member.
- All trash and litter must be collected and placed in plastic bags or litter cans.
- At no time may doors, fire exits, elevators, hallways, or foot traffic be blocked. All events must observe fire and handicap-accessibility codes.
- Advertising for events is permitted only once the event has been approved by the CLA. This includes Internet advertising (Facebook and MySpace) as well as posting, tabling, chalk, and mailbox stuffing.
- Posters are permitted only on bulletin boards not designated for specific departments or centers. Students are encouraged to use the bulletin boards under the walkway along the west wall of FPH and the north wall of the Johnson Library, underneath the bridge. Posters placed anywhere but upon designated bulletin boards will be removed with no regard to content.
- Chalking is permitted on any outside ground surface that is exposed to the elements (can be rained or snowed upon) so removal does not require the attention of facilities and grounds staff. Chalking is prohibited inside campus buildings and outside on non-ground surfaces including, but not limited to, walls and windows of campus buildings, signs, trees, poles, and other structures.
- Events cannot take place prior to the first day of classes (orientation period) or beyond one week after classes end (graduation period). Only events sponsored by COCA can be scheduled during Hampshire Halloween and Spring Jam weekends. CLA in conjunction with Campus Police and Event
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Services may limit at any time the number of registered student events per day or weekend. Frequency of registered events hosted within the residence areas is up to the discretion of the senior associate dean of students.

- Student groups are required to obtain authorization from the assistant dean of students for campus leadership and activities for any event where money is exchanged (including fund-raising activities). Campus leadership and activities, working with the business office, must have reviewed and approved the student groups cash-handling procedures prior to the event.
- Any performer at an event sponsored by a student organization must complete and sign a Hampshire College Contract. All contracts must be authorized by CLA. Students are prohibited from signing any contracts or making verbal commitments to outside agencies, as it makes them personally liable for fulfilling the terms of the contract should a problem arise.

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Access to Library Services

Library services are available to currently enrolled Hampshire College students with a valid Hampshire ID as well as to Hampshire faculty and staff. Students on leave are not allowed access to library services.

Hampshire and Five College Borrowing Policies

Five College students, faculty, and staff may borrow books directly from all main libraries and most major branch libraries in the area. This requires presentation of a valid ID card from one of the institutions. Five College loan periods are 28 days for students and 90 days for faculty, graduate students, and staff; however, all loans are subject to recall for another borrower or for reserve.

Media loans. Five College students, faculty and staff may also borrow videos and DVDs directly from all the media libraries in the area. This requires presentation of a valid ID card from one of the institutions. Five College media loan periods are standardized at five days for patrons.

Other material. Policies regarding loans of LPs, CDs, music scores, and other materials vary by library. Check with the individual library for this information; patrons are subject to the policies of the owning library.

Five College delivery. Five College students, faculty, and staff may request books, videos, and DVDs from the Five Colleges to be sent to their home library for pickup. After identifying the desired item in the online library catalog, click on “Request item” and enter the barcode from the college ID twice. The request will be placed and the item sent, usually within two business days. You will receive an email notice when the book is ready for pickup. Material is held for pickup for seven days.

Renewals. Book loans may be renewed at least three times for the same time period as the original loan. Click on “My account” in the online library catalog, log in with the barcode on the college ID, and follow the directions on the screen to renew books at all Five College libraries. Books that have been recalled or billed cannot be renewed. DVDs and videos typically cannot be renewed because they are in high demand.

Recalls. All loans from the Five College libraries are subject to recall for another borrower or for use on reserve. You will receive an email recall notice asking you to return the item and giving its new due date. Unreturned recalls are fined at $2 per day per item, and may result in denial of borrowing privileges.

Bills. Two overdue notices are sent in the month following a date the book is due. If it is still not returned, it is billed at a minimum charge of $80 per item, of which $10 is a nonrefundable billing fee. Media loans are billed on a shorter time frame, for a minimum charge of $95. Unreturned billed items may result in denial of borrowing privileges. Inquiries about bills should be addressed to the library that owns the item. Unpaid bills are transmitted to the home institution for collection.

Library Study Carrel Policy

Please understand that carrel space is limited. Although students may put their names on carrels, they are not for the exclusive use of these students.

Hampshire items that are checked out and have green due slips may be left in carrels at your own risk, as can checked-out Five College books. All other Hampshire items—including reference books and current periodicals—will be reshelved daily. We will occasionally spot check carrels to ensure that books are in fact checked out. Books that are not checked out will be reshelved.

Personal items may be left in a carrel at your own risk. Please keep your carrel neat and do not leave trash or recyclables in the carrel. Carrels that become unsightly may be cleared completely at the discretion of the library staff. At the end of each semester, carrels are cleared completely.
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Borrowing Recreational Equipment

Students may borrow recreational equipment such as mountain bikes, cross-country skis, canoes, and backpacking gear. Books and maps related to hiking and other recreational activities are also available. Students need to present a valid Hampshire ID card upon borrowing the equipment. The length of use varies depending on the type of equipment; check with OPRA staff for details.

Defensive Driving Courses

Periodically, OPRA staff will conduct defensive driving courses. The successful completion of the course is mandatory to be able to drive college-owned vehicles. Contact OPRA or log onto http://www.hampshire.edu/opra for details and dates. Courses are held monthly throughout the academic year.

General Use of the Robert Crown Center (RCC)

The RCC is for use by Hampshire College ID holders and not the general public.

1. Users must show their valid Hampshire ID cards when they enter the RCC. ID cards are not transferable. No one is allowed to use someone else’s ID card to gain entrance to the RCC.
2. Children under the age of 16 must be under the immediate supervision of an adult (over 18) Hampshire ID holder.
3. Among those in charge, in addition to the regular staff, are lifeguards, coaches, and student monitors.
4. The director of OPRA has final authority over all space and facility assignments, usage, and facility scheduling in the building.
5. In regard to first-aid measures, staff on duty are instructed to offer only Band-aids and cold packs. For anything more serious, the EMTs and Campus Police must be called.
6. Guests must be signed in at the guest register at the front desk. The host must remain with the guest in the RCC. A member of the general public desiring access to the RCC may not look for a sponsor inside or outside the building. Invitations must be initiated by a Hampshire ID card holder. Guests forfeit their use privilege if they break any of the rules of the RCC. Any person causing what the staff consider unpleasantness or unruliness in the building will be required to leave the RCC.
7. Pets, alcohol, and smoking are not permitted in the RCC. Possession or consumption of alcohol is prohibited on the playing fields.
8. Alumni are welcome to use the RCC and can apply for an alumni ID card at the alumni office. This card is good for the balance of the semester. Alumni may bring one guest. There is no summer use.
9. The climbing wall and bouldering cave may be used by Hampshire picture ID holders and one guest of an ID holder, who must be present with the guest at all times.
10. Metal lockers are issued on a first-come, first-served basis twice during the academic year, once in September and then at the start of January term. Lockers must be emptied and locks removed before winter recess and again prior to graduation in May. Any locks placed on metal lockers prior to registering at the front desk are liable to be removed and locks left on beyond the above periods will also be removed. Lockers are available only to students and employees.
11. The use of radios, boom boxes, and so on, is prohibited. These devices may be used only with earphones.

The Swimming Pool

1. A valid Hampshire ID card must be left at the lifeguard’s desk before a swimmer enters the water.
2. Non-swimmers are not allowed to use the pool.
3. A shower must be taken before a swimmer enters the pool.
4. Bathing suits are necessary; cut-offs are permissible. Nude swimming is not allowed at any time. Artificial flotation devices such as water wings and inner tubes are not allowed.
5. Anyone with a heart problem, epileptic seizures, or a dislocated shoulder should get a physician’s approval before using the pool and must alert the lifeguard.
6. No glass containers are allowed in the pool area. The consumption of beverages or food is not permitted. Running, splashing, and the throwing of objects are not allowed in the pool or pool area.
7. The lifeguards on duty have complete authority over the pool. The guards may ask anyone to leave who breaks the RCC rules or who, in the judgment of the guards, creates a nuisance,
disturbance, or a potential hazard.

8. The pool phone is to be used only for pool emergencies.

9. In the event of a storm involving lightning in the vicinity of the College, an equipment breakdown, a problem in heating or lighting, overcrowding, or any other situation that the lifeguards deem potentially hazardous, the guards have the right to close the pool.

10. No swimming is allowed in the pool unless it is during a regularly scheduled recreational swim or class period with appropriate lifeguards on duty.

11. Lifeguards are not responsible for personal belongings left in the pool area.

12. No swimming is allowed when the pool cover is covering the pool.

The Sauna

This facility is coed and clothing is required. There are women-only and men-only hours posted in the RCC.

The Playing Floor

The RCC reserves portions of or the entire playing floor for scheduled groups or activities as needed. The management also reserves the right to close off the upstairs area when activities there might interfere with or disrupt scheduled activities on the playing floor. Sneakers must be worn.

Sports Equipment

Any equipment leaving the RCC must be properly checked out at the front desk with a Hampshire ID card.

Tennis Courts and Playing Fields

1. These areas are reserved for Hampshire ID-cardholders and contracted summer programs participants and are not open to the general public.

2. Reservations for scheduling these areas may be made through the Robert Crown Center director.

Exercise/Bouldering Area

1. The area is reserved for Hampshire College and authorized guests only.

2. Minimal supervision is provided, so the apparatus is used totally at the user’s own risk.

3. Children under 16 must be accompanied at all times by an adult.

4. No exercises are allowed over the iron railing or the concrete wall.

5. The exercise/bouldering area is sometimes closed off as a courtesy to events being held on the playing floor and during special weight-training clinics or classes.

Multisport Center

1. Students must present a valid Hampshire ID card at the front desk.

2. Users must present a valid Hampshire ID card to the weight room monitor.

3. Hampshire students may reserve “Hampshire tennis court time” or walk on during “open time.”

4. Hampshire students may bring a guest to play tennis at no charge.

5. Guests must be signed in at the front desk and the host must remain with the guest in the Multisport Center.

Equipment Use

Because of the considerable loss of equipment, the following policy will be enforced:

1. People signing out equipment are responsible for the replacement value of the equipment (not the depreciated value). If equipment is lost, they will be billed for it directly.

2. All equipment should be returned clean and in good repair. The person who signed out the equipment is the person who will be billed for loss or damage.
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3. No one may sign out more than $400 worth of equipment.
4. Only people having valid Hampshire ID cards and those who are taking Hampshire courses for which the equipment is specifically necessary may sign out equipment.
5. Sign-out limit is one week for all equipment (except bikes and ski equipment).
6. For overdue equipment, fines will be assessed at the rate of 50 cents per item per day for items having replacement cost of less than $10 and $1 per item per day for items having replacement value greater than $10.
7. No further equipment will be checked out to anyone owing a fine.
8. The fine for late return of ski equipment is $10 for the first day and $12 for each additional day.

Vans

1. OPRA does not lend or rent vans.
2. Smoking, drinking alcohol, and using illegal drugs are prohibited in OPRA vans.
3. The transportation of alcohol or illegal drugs in OPRA vans is prohibited.

OPRA Trips

OPRA trips are open to all members of the Hampshire community as well as full-time Five College undergraduates. Beginners are welcome and most trips require no previous experience. Trips are free or “shared” in cost. OPRA provides transport vehicles and most equipment; students provide personal clothing and pay for food and fuel.

Important: To ensure that all scheduled trips go out, the following sign-up system has been established:

2. You must cancel by phone or in person no later than 1 p.m. Friday or you will lose your $10 deposit.
3. If you show up after the trip leaves, you will forfeit your deposit.
4. If you sign up, the trip will go!

If you are interested in doing a trip with a group of friends, please let us know, and we will try our best to provide necessary equipment and leadership.

Teams/Trips/Courses/Activities

1. No one may use or have in their possession alcohol or illegal drugs while participating in any OPRA-sponsored activity.
2. The ultimate authorities on all OPRA activities are the OPRA leaders, coaches, and instructors.
3. Failure to comply with the above will result in removal from the activity, trip, game, or course at the participant’s own expense. The participant may also be liable for disciplinary action.
4. Money collected from students for trip expenses is not refundable.

Summer Use of the RCC, Playing Fields, and Tennis Courts

Most of the above-listed facilities are tightly scheduled and reserved for summer programs. Officially contracted summer programs have first priority in the use of any and all of the above space. Hampshire ID cardholders may use these facilities only during posted hours and only when not exclusively reserved and scheduled by a summer program.

Full policy statements on the rules and regulations regarding van usage, outdoor sports, and martial arts activities are available from OPRA staff.

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Chalking Policy

Chalking is permitted on any outside ground surface that is exposed to the elements (i.e. horizontal walking surfaces that rain and snow fall on). Chalking is prohibited inside campus buildings and outside on non-ground surfaces including, but not limited to, walls and windows of campus buildings, signs, trees, poles, and other structures.

Postering Policy

Posters are permitted only on bulletin boards not designated for other purposes. Posters may also be placed on windows specifically designated for postering. Students are encouraged to use the bulletin boards under the walkway along the west wall of FPH and the north wall of the Johnson Library, underneath the bridge. Posters placed anywhere but upon designated bulletin boards and glass spaces will be removed regardless of content. All posters will be removed from designated spaces after an advertised event has taken place. Posters that do not pertain to an event that occurs on a specific date will be removed on the last working day of each month.
**Residence Maintenance Concerns**

Maintenance issues in the five residence areas of the College are to be reported to the housing operations office. Students should not contact the facilities and grounds department directly. Emergency maintenance issues that occur when the housing operations office is closed should be directed to the residence life staff member on call.

By requesting maintenance service within your dorm room or anywhere in your mod, you implicitly authorize a facilities and grounds worker to enter your room, bedroom or mod to perform the service that you have requested. See Residence Life and Housing in the Community Standards chapter for more information related to right of entry.

**Snow Closings/Delays**

If a snowstorm occurs before classes begin or campus offices open, the director of facilities and grounds will check local and regional weather forecasts and gather information regarding the condition of campus parking lots, paths and roadways. After evaluating this information, the director of facilities and grounds will decide whether or not it is prudent to delay the opening of the College, or if necessary, to close the College for the entire day. The decision to close or delay opening will be made by 6:30 a.m. and a message to that effect will be placed on the Hampshire College weather hotline (x5508). Dining services will continue to operate if the College is closed for a weather emergency.

If a snowstorm occurs during regular business hours, the director of facilities and grounds will consult with the dean of faculty, the president, and the dean of students (or their designees) about the impact of an early closing on the academic program. If a decision is made to close the College, human resources will communicate this information to all departments. A recorded message will also be placed on the Hampshire College weather hotline.

**POST OFFICE**

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Students who will be away from the College for a period of time longer than one month must fill out a change of address form, which can be obtained at the post office. During this absence (this includes summer, leave of absence, field study, and extensions for graduation), the box will be closed and all first-class mail will be forwarded to the student. Mail will be forwarded for one year following graduation or withdrawal from the College. No mail will be forwarded during January term. Students are not able to pick up mail from their boxes during the holiday break when the campus is closed. A student is not allowed to receive another person’s forwarded mail.

Magazines and newspapers will NOT be forwarded to students. In order to receive subscriptions while they are away, students must inform the magazines and newspapers of their forwarding address at least four weeks prior to leaving the College.

When shipping packages to campus, use the following address: Campus Post Office, Hampshire College, 893 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002-3359. Include your name, student mailbox number, and return address on the package. Please do not ship packages to campus prior to August 15 for the fall term. If you are returning from leave for spring term, do not ship packages to campus prior to January 15.

**Post Office Forwarding Service**

When a student is on any type of leave from the College (leave of absence, field-study leave, medical leave, consortium agreement) or has withdrawn, the Hampshire post office box will be closed and all U.S. mail will be forwarded to the student’s current address. A change of address card should be completed and returned to the Hampshire post office. Campus mail will be opened to determine the relative importance of contents; the College will forward it via U.S. mail, in most cases. The post office tries to reassign the same box to a student returning from leave. Please note that any mail addressed to a student on leave in care of an enrolled student will be returned to sender.

**CAMPUS POLICE**

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Emergencies: x1911

**Bicycles**

All bicycles on campus must be registered with the Department of Campus Police. Registration is free and can be completed Mon - Fri 9
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a.m.–4:30 p.m. at Campus Police or any time online. The registration decal will expire upon the student’s graduation date but in no case, no longer than five years from the original registration date.

All bicycles on campus must be stored in approved outdoor bike sheds and secured to a bicycle rack. Bicycles may NOT be secured to fire hydrants, trees, parking signs, ramps, railings, or left in the path of egress in any building on campus. Bicycles that are inappropriately secured may be immediately removed and/or confiscated.

Bicycles should be removed from campus during the summer break except in extreme cases and, for security reasons, never left outside for the summer. The College has limited (up to approximately 60 bicycles) centralized indoor summer bicycle storage. Bicycles may not be left in the storage space beyond the summer.

To access summer bicycle storage, bicycles must be registered with the College and brought to the designated storage area during posted hours in the two-week period after Hampshire classes end. Once the space is full, there are no additional spaces for storage of bicycles and students must make other arrangements for off-campus bicycle storage. Students must reclaim their bicycles at the end of the summer by the Monday after Labor Day. Bicycles left over the summer that are not in summer storage, have expired decals, or are not registered will be considered abandoned and will be confiscated and discarded, as will any bicycle left in storage after the academic year resumes.

The College must continuously remove unregistered bicycles from campus to make more room for registered bicycles. Any bicycle in violation of the College’s bicycle policy or unregistered will be confiscated and, if not claimed within 30 days, will be discarded.

The College is not responsible for any bicycle brought to or left on campus, whether secured or not. The College storage facility should be considered to be an unsecured facility and bicycles are left in storage at the owner’s sole risk.

Camping

Camping on Hampshire College property is not allowed without the written permission of the director of Campus Police.

Events

For each event planned on campus outside of the residence halls, an event-registration form (ERF) needs to be filed with the office of campus leadership and activities. We require that ERFs be filled out and turned in to the office of campus leadership and activities 10 days prior to every event. Any ERF that is not submitted at least 10 days prior will not be accepted/approved.

Open Fires

Open fires (inside or outside) are prohibited on campus unless prior written approval is granted by the director of Campus Police. Charcoal barbecues are permitted, but must take place a safe distance away from buildings. Barbecues must not be left unattended.

Parking/Vehicle Policies

In order for Campus Police to regulate and manage motor vehicles on campus, all faculty, staff, and students who want to operate, or park a motor vehicle, motorcycle, or moped on the Hampshire College campus must do the following:

1. Go to TheHub/Parking Policies and complete a Motor Vehicle Registration form. Do not use “N/A” or “none” on this form. (Incomplete forms will not be processed.)

2. Students who are nonresidents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts must complete the Nonresident Student Vehicle Information Form in addition to the above. Print this form; you will need it when you pick up your student parking decal. Do not use “N/A” or “none” on this form. (Incomplete forms will not be processed.)

3. Students are required to visit the Campus Police parking office to pick up a parking permit. If you are not a resident of Massachusetts, PLEASE BRING YOUR NONRESIDENT DRIVER STATEMENT with you. You will not be issued a permit without it. This office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Five College Students

Non–Hampshire College students enrolled in classes on our campus must complete a Proof of Registration form and bring it to the central...
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records office on the first floor of the Cole Science Center Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., to obtain a signature. Bring this signed form, your student ID, and your vehicle registration to the parking office at the rear of the Johnson Library Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m., to obtain a parking permit. These permits are free of charge and parking is limited to the Five College lot. Hampshire College permits are valid only on the Hampshire campus.

Decal Availability

Students with vehicles on campus, including motorcycles and mopeds, must register with the Campus Police parking office within seven days of arrival. Parking on campus is limited, and parking permits are issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Students are encouraged to check with Campus Police for available parking before bringing a vehicle back to campus after any holiday or break.

Decal Fee

Student vehicles must be registered within seven days of arrival on campus. A valid driver’s license and a valid vehicle registration are required in order to receive a parking permit. Insurance must have your name on the policy. A student can have only one vehicle registered on campus at a time. Students are not allowed to have any unregistered vehicle(s) on campus. The parking permit fee is $150 per academic year (fall/spring term). This fee will be charged directly to your student account. A vehicle is not considered registered until the parking permit is affixed to the vehicle according to the Decal Placement Sheet you will receive when obtaining your decal. Vehicles not registered within seven days are subject to being towed without warning at the owner’s expense.

Decal Returns

Parking permits are nontransferable and must be affixed to the vehicle for which they are issued. If you sell or dispose of your vehicle, you must return a portion of the parking permit that was issued to the vehicle to Campus Police in order to register another vehicle.

Parking Lots

Student vehicles must be parked in the designated student parking lots identified by a parking sign that reads Student Parking Only. Please do not park in faculty/staff, visitor, or the Five College lot. The director of Campus Police may grant exceptions. Only registered student vehicles can be parked in the student parking lots. Students should not park in areas marked Snow Removal.

Can’t Find a Space?

Contact Campus Police at x5424 (559.5424) if you cannot find a space in your designated lot. DO NOT PARK ILLEGALLY.

Restricted Parking

Vehicles parked in restricted areas (e.g., fire lanes, bus stops), unregistered vehicles, or vehicles that are parked in violation of parking regulations are subject to being towed without warning at the owner’s expense.

Summer Parking

There is no parking available for students who do not remain on campus. Vehicles may not be stored on campus at any time. Vehicles displaying evidence of non-use will be ticketed and towed. The parking office will make reasonable attempts to contact the owner prior to towing.

Loss of Parking Privileges

Students who show a continual disregard for parking and/or driving regulations risk losing the ability to have a vehicle on campus. The dean of student services, upon recommendation by Campus Police, makes this decision.

Citations

Violation tickets are issued when a vehicle is parked or driven contrary to campus rules. Citations range from $20 to $100, depending on the violation. Fines are billed directly to a student’s account. They may be paid in the student accounts office during regular business hours. Visitors on campus who have their vehicles ticketed should mail their payment to Hampshire College Campus Police, 893 West St., Amherst, MA 01002.

Appeals

Citations may be appealed in writing to the parking office within seven days from the time the citation was issued. Appeals and questions can be directed to the parking office Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m., or call x6151 (559.6151). The appeals form can be found on the Hampshire College website under Campus Police/Parking Policies. Students with special needs must register with disabilities services in order to receive appropriate accommodations.
Visitor/Guest Temporary Parking

All visitors and guests are required to register their vehicles with Campus Police by providing the vehicle’s make, model, color, and license plate number in order for Campus Police to issue a temporary parking permit. The permit must be visibly displayed in the vehicle; the vehicle must be assigned a parking lot. If you are visiting a student, the host student must be present (with a valid student identification card) when applying for a temporary parking pass.

Temporary Parking Permit Needed

A permit is needed Monday–Friday 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Temporary Parking Permit Not Needed

If you are a visitor on campus after 5 p.m. and leave before 8 a.m., you do not need a permit. You MUST park in faculty/staff or visitor parking ONLY.

If you are a visitor after 5 p.m. on Friday and stay through Sunday (out by 8 a.m. Monday), you do not need a permit; however, you MUST park in faculty/staff or visitor parking ONLY.

Student Temporary Parking

You must obtain a temporary permit if your vehicle will be on campus only for up to two weeks: 1 week, $10; 2 weeks, $20 (maximum). You MUST park in student-designated parking. If your vehicle will be on campus for more than two weeks, you are required to purchase a student parking decal.

Personal Property

Hampshire College assumes no responsibility or liability, directly or indirectly, for damage, loss, or destruction of any personal property by fire, water, theft, etc. Students are strongly encouraged to carry personal insurance to cover their belongings.

It is the responsibility of each student to safeguard their personal belongings and keep bedroom and apartment doors locked. Most property crimes on campus are crimes of opportunity. The simple step of keeping doors locked provides enormous protection.

The Department of Campus Police has electric engravers available for loan. It is a good practice to engrave valuable items with some identifying marks. Marking of personal property will help in identifying the rightful owner of recovered property.

Skateboards

The use of skateboards and in-line skates on any campus roadways or staircases, including, but not limited, to holding on to or attaching oneself to moving vehicles or motorcycles, is prohibited. Roadways are defined as places where nonemergency, public vehicles normally travel; sidewalks and pedestrian paths are not included. Students operating skateboards or in-line skates on campus are strongly encouraged to wear protective equipment, including a helmet.

Trespass Policy

Hampshire College may serve unwanted individuals with a trespass notice. Violators of a trespass notice are subject to arrest. Campus Police officers or other college employees may ask community members or visitors for identification. Failure to comply with such a request may result in disciplinary action up to and including escort from the Hampshire College campus and/or trespass. Students are required to carry their Hampshire College ID cards with them at all times.

Use of College Vehicles

College vehicles are not available for personal use. “Pool vehicles” are available for college business and college-approved student activities. Student groups must contact the campus leadership and activities office, x5746. For offices and School departments, the office or department budget manager or their designated assistant makes the reservation through Datatel. A vehicle request can be made seven days or more in advance. You can request a fleet/pool vehicle online any time Datatel is available. Once the vehicle request has been submitted, you will receive the vehicle request confirmation form back via email. The vehicle request must be approved in Datatel for the reservation to be complete. The vehicle request confirmation form must be printed out; attach it with copies of the Check In/Check Out sheet and the Trip Roster form. All three forms must be brought to Campus Police when picking up the vehicle. Vehicles cannot go out without these completed forms.

All individuals operating college vehicles must complete an application to drive Hampshire College fleet vehicles each fall semester and must have taken the defensive driver course, which is offered at least once each semester by OPRA. Students must also attach a copy of their three-year driving history from their state DMV.

All drivers of college-owned vehicles, or vehicles driven on college business, are expected to follow the rules in the Fleet Vehicle Handbook and to abide by all campus regulations and all local, state, and federal laws. The Fleet Vehicle Handbook is available at the Campus Police website https://intranet.hampshire.edu/15032.htm.

Weapons, Firearms, and Explosives

All (fake or real) weapons, firearms, and explosives including, but not limited to, firearms, knives (over four inches), swords, bows
and arrows, and incendiary devices such as firecrackers are strictly prohibited on campus. BB, pellet, and paint-ball guns are also prohibited. All weapons, firearms, and explosives used in plays, the theater, etc., must be registered and stored in Campus Police. These items are not allowed in the dorms/living areas and will be confiscated. Students who bring prohibited or unlawful items onto any Hampshire College property irrevocably waive all rights and claims to the items. Confiscated items will not be returned and violators are also subject to disciplinary action.

**PURCHASING OFFICE**  
\[x5405\]

**Procedures for Obtaining Purchase Orders**

**Student/Agency Groups**

Purchase requisitions for student groups are available through the community council office and must be submitted in paper form to the office of campus leadership and activities for review.

All purchase requisitions must be completed in their entirety. Student groups must include on the paper form a complete mailing address with zip code and a 13-digit budget account number along with all proper signatures.

Specific information pertaining to the product or service being purchased must be referenced on the requisition. The purchasing office and the campus leadership and activities office are sources of information for finding vendors who offer the products and services needed by you or your student group.

A purchase order is a contract between the College and the vendor. An invoice or statement should be sent to the accounts payable office and include the purchase order number. All financial commitments to vendors must be made via a purchase order or by payment with a college-issued purchasing card. Procedures for purchases made by purchasing card are available in the campus leadership and activities office.

**SODEXO FOOD SERVICES**  
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The dining commons close during Thanksgiving break and spring break, and after the last day of Hampshire College exams during the fall and spring terms.

A Five College meal exchange program is offered by Amherst, Hampshire, Mount Holyoke, and Smith Colleges and the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Free interchange of meals at lunch Monday through Friday is available. Free interchange of other meals may be available if a student is attending academic activities at one of the other colleges.

Dining commons staff request that everyone be sensitive to others using the facility. Students must bus their own trays, keep areas as clean and orderly as possible, and inform staff if there are any problems or if there is something of which staff should be aware.

**Meal Plan**

All students living in Merrill and Dakin Houses as well as first-year/first-semester mod students are required to be on the full meal plan. Meal plans are subject to change each year, and information about meal plan options is available from the dining services office or the dining services website, www.Hampshiredining.com. Meal plans are not transferable and are to be used only by the meal plan holder. Students must have their meal card to enter the dining commons. Students will be asked to retrieve their card if they arrive without it. Students who have lost their card are required to go to the business office in Blair Hall to receive a temporary replacement card.

**Entering and Exiting Dining Commons**

Students are allowed into the dining commons at any time and as often as they want. Guests are not permitted to enter the dining room unless they have paid for that meal. Food may not be taken from the dining commons and must be consumed inside. This is out of concern for possible foodborne illnesses, as well as our ability to maintain the program and standards of service required at Hampshire.
**Dress Code**

Everyone entering the dining commons is required to wear a shirt and shoes at all times. We ask that all clothes be clean to ensure proper sanitation.

**Meal Plan Waivers**

Waivers from the college meal plan are rarely granted because the College has a variety of housing options available. Students with legitimate medical problems, documented by a physician’s letter, should first consult with the dining services director to determine if their needs can be met. If such arrangements cannot be made, the assistant director of residence life will discuss apartment living possibilities. Requests for special meal plan consideration should be made to the dining services director as early as possible. Any waivers granted are for one semester only.

**EVENT SERVICES AND SUMMER PROGRAMS**

x5610

The dining commons, Red Barn, main, west, and east lecture halls in FPH, and most academic and other campus spaces may be reserved through the event services and summer programs office. The library gallery and music and dance recital hall may be reserved through the gallery coordinator, x5622; the Merrill and Dakin living rooms may be reserved through the Dakin/Merrill House office, x5564.

Any reservations of space for student events made with event services and summer programs will be considered tentative until the event registration form is approved. Tentative bookings will be canceled ten days prior to an event without notice. Food and beverages are allowed only in certain spaces; when making reservations, refreshments must be noted. Sensitivity to neighboring classes, offices, meetings, and functions should be exercised. All campus events have an 11 p.m. curfew Sunday through Thursday, a 1:00 a.m. curfew on Friday and Saturday in residential locations such as the Prescott Tavern and dining commons, and a 2 a.m. curfew in all other locations.

**STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES**

Student financial services comprises student accounts, financial aid, and student employment.

**Student Accounts**

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Questions pertaining to tuition bills should be directed to student accounts. Payments can be made in the form of a check or money order payable to the Trustees of Hampshire College in person or by mail to the student accounts office. Credit card payments and payments from U.S. checking and savings accounts are accepted on TheHub anytime, or by calling student accounts during normal business hours at 413.559.6982. All changes in account information (person/persons responsible, address, phone number) should be reported to central records, not student accounts.

In addition, this office provides information on the student health insurance plan and can approve and disburse small emergency loans ($25 maximum).

All questions relating to Perkins Loans and Hampshire College loans should be directed to the student accounts office.

All students are required to check in each semester (on registration day) to be considered an enrolled student. Class registration alone is not sufficient to meet this requirement. All financial arrangements must be completed prior to registration day to facilitate student registration. Failure to check in in a timely manner will result in an administrative withdrawal from the College. (See the academic policies for information related to administrative withdrawals from the College.)

Students who are withdrawing or going on leave of absence can refer to http://sfs.hampshire.edu to review the college refund schedule.

**Financial Aid**

x5484

**Aid Policies**

Students who enroll as dependent students are considered dependent throughout their Hampshire career. American citizens and permanent resident aliens who did not receive a grant from the College upon their initial enrollment are not eligible to apply until their second year of enrollment. International students who did not receive a grant from the College upon their initial enrollment are not eligible during their Hampshire career, even if there is a change in circumstance or currency exchange rates.

**Aid Eligibility**

Students must demonstrate financial need and must be making satisfactory academic progress according to the guidelines of the College. Need is the difference between the cost of a Hampshire
education and the amount a student and family can reasonably be expected to contribute. The expected family contribution consists of a contribution from the parents, a portion of the student’s savings and assets, and a summer earnings’ expectation from the student.

The Center for Academic Support and Advising (CASA) monitors academic progress on a semester basis. At the beginning of each semester, the advising office provides the financial aid office with the names of those students who are on academic probation. Students maintain aid eligibility while on probation. Normally, students are allowed up to two consecutive semesters of academic probation.

**Aid Application Process**

Application materials are available each January. Renewal application packets are mailed to students; new applicants may pick up forms from the office. Each year, students (except international students) and parents must complete and submit these forms by the deadline. Remember that the deadline refers to receipt date, not the postmarked date. All forms must be signed to be acceptable. These forms are also available at sfs.hampshire.edu.

Required by May 1st each year:

1. **FAFSA Application**: Find this at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This form determines your eligibility for federal aid programs; it also serves as your application for your state grant. This normally has a May 1st deadline.

2. **Profile Application** processed by the College Scholarship Service (CSS), online at www.collegeboard.com.

3. **Noncustodial Profile** (if applicable); this form is required from your noncustodial parent even if your parents were never married.

4. **Signed copies of your parents’ federal IRS 1040 tax return(s)**; the College does not accept tax extension forms—no awards are determined without the actual signed tax return(s).

5. **Signed copy of your federal IRS 1040 tax return**; if you are not required to file a return, you can complete the form on the reverse side of the Hampshire Aid Application and have it notarized.

**Aid Decisions**

Financial aid decisions are mailed to on-time applicants at the end of June each year. Awards are “packaged” to comprise a student loan recommendation, a work-study opportunity, and grant assistance. You must sign and accept your award and provide whatever materials are required to finalize it if it is listed as tentative. Only official, accepted awards can be credited to your student account. Awards are renewable each year as long as you reapply, demonstrate need, and are making satisfactory academic progress. The self-help (loan and work) components of your award will increase each year as you progress toward your degree.

**Student Loans**

Students are eligible for a student loan even if they are not receiving assistance from the College. Students not awarded but interested in a student loan have to notify this office in writing. Hampshire is participating in the Federal William D. Ford Direct Loan Program. After you file the FAFSA and the appropriate tax returns, this office handles all of the paperwork for the loan. Annual loan limits are $5500 for first-year students; $6500 for second-year; and $7500 beginning with the third year.

After all of the loan paperwork is completed, the loan will be disbursed to your student account. First-time borrowers are required to participate in the entrance interview process before their loans can be disbursed. Students are also required to participate in an exit interview when leaving Hampshire. Student rights, responsibilities, and obligations will be explained during both entrance and exit sessions.

**Student Employment**

Only students who have work-study eligibility as part of their financial aid award are eligible to work on campus. Eligible students can view the master job list and other job listings online at http://studentemployment.hampshire.edu. There are a variety of employment opportunities and experiences that will enable students to meet their work-study award requirements.
eligibility as well as their academic schedule and interests. Students work an average of 10 to 12 hours per week and are paid directly on a biweekly schedule according to the time slips submitted. The wage rate is $8/hour for all positions. Students may need to utilize some of their work-study earnings to satisfy their tuition bills, and have the option to pay directly or to sign up for payroll deduction. Student accounts allows students to pay up to $500 per semester from earnings.

Students are required to complete work papers before they begin their employment. All first-time employees at the College must complete an I-9 Form (requires identification and citizenship or visa status) to certify their eligibility for employment. W-4, M-4, and Work Authorization forms are also required. These forms are available from this office and on the web.

**STUDENT LIABILITY, PROPERTY, AND INSURANCE**

**Insurance**

The following information is provided to let students know about the insurance coverage that the College may purchase and how the coverage may apply to students. The descriptions of coverage are not intended to, nor do they supplement, amend or modify any insurance policy terms and conditions. The College reserves the right at all times to modify its insurance coverage, terms, conditions, and limits without notice to any person or entity, including students, faculty, and staff. Students may want to make adjustments in their own coverage if they feel that it would be appropriate to their interests.

**Medical**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires that all students carry health insurance or sickness and accident insurance. The College provides Student Accident and Sickness Insurance that meets or exceeds the state requirements. The program is a “hard waiver” program, which means that students are automatically enrolled and billed for the insurance unless they waive the coverage in accordance with the plan requirements. For details of Hampshire College’s program, visit www.hampshire.edu/offices/5177.htm.

Sickness and Accident Insurance is not comparable to most employer-type health insurance programs, as it has lifetime per-condition limits as well as sub-limits for out-patient, pharmacy, and other benefits. The policy conditions may result in a student incurring partial or full charges for some medical care. The College is not responsible for any co-payments, medical, dental, or surgical expenses not covered by the Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Program of the College or the student’s own insurer, or any uninsured or excluded medical, dental, or surgical expenses.

Claims are handled by the program administrator. The staff at Student Health and Counseling Services may provide assistance with claims problems. The program is a managed care program, so in the event of an injury or sickness, the insured student should, if at school, immediately report to Health and Counseling Services. If you are away from school, consult your doctor and follow their instructions. Report all claims to the program administrator (see the plan brochure for information) and follow their instructions.

Intercollegiate and club sports athletes have additional benefits available under certain policies that are purchased for their behalf by the College. Coverage applies to athletes who are injured while in organized competition or practice, which is constructively supervised, or traveling to or from one of these events. The Sports Accident Policy provides up to $25,000 for intercollegiate and club sport injuries, and has a $500 deductible. If you do not carry the Student Medical Insurance you are responsible for meeting the deductible either with your own insurance or out of pocket. (The Student Medical Insurance provides $500 for intercollegiate sports injuries or covers club sports as “any condition” subject to policy limits, terms, and conditions, which meets the deductible.) Because Hampshire is not an NCAA member, the College also carries a Club Sports Catastrophic Policy on all of its athletic teams with a policy limit of $5,000,000, for medical expenses only, in excess of all other collectible insurance and a $25,000 deductible. The benefits of all of these policies are over and above benefits available through any other valid and collectible insurance available to the injured person. The controller’s office administers these insurance policies. These policies do not extend to participants in intramural or any other recreational sports. They cover intercollegiate and college-recognized club sports only.

The College accepts no responsibility for any losses, costs, or expenses not covered by the insurance policies listed above, whether by coverage terms or exclusions or the injured student’s failure to comply with policy-required claims procedures.

Additional information about medical coverage and Health and Counseling Services is in the Campus Services and Resources section of this handbook. For a complete description of the Club Catastrophic Coverages provided for athletes, contact OPRA.

**Travel Accident Insurance**

The College provides limited travel accident insurance, including medical evacuation and repatriation to students traveling on college or academic business, worldwide. Worldwide travel assistance services are also available. Contact the dean of students office for details or see www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/riskmgmt/travel/.
Auto

The College purchases Auto Liability Insurance, which protects both the College and the driver from third-party liability and third-party property damage arising from the use of college-owned, hired/rented, and non-owned vehicles. The Five College Risk Management website has more detailed information on this coverage (www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/riskmgmt/auto/).

- For college-owned vehicles, the student driver must be credentialed and have permission from a faculty member, a dean, a coach, or a department head to drive a college vehicle. For details on becoming a credentialed driver, see http://www.fivecolleges.edu/riskmgmt/driver.

- To rent or drive a rented vehicle for college business, the student must be credentialed and have written authorization from an authorized person (see owned vehicles, below) and be a scheduled driver with the rental company. Most car rental agencies prohibit persons under the age of 25 from driving rented vehicles. The college policy is to waive coverage for liability and collision coverage on domestic rentals; however, students should follow departmental guidelines with respect to waiving the rental company insurance. If the college insurance is used, a certificate of insurance should be obtained as proof of insurance.

- Use of borrowed vehicles for college business must be approved before such use by the Five College Director of Compliance and Risk Management.

The college auto insurance policy may not cover unauthorized drivers. Unauthorized drivers may be personally liable for claims brought against them. The College may also have a right to claim against unauthorized drivers.

Personal Vehicles on Campus

The College is not responsible for, nor will it pay any claims for, damages to student-owned vehicles resulting from falling ice, snow, tree limbs, or any other natural occurrence or event on its property or elsewhere, whether or not the possibility of such an event is warned against. The College is not responsible for, nor will it pay any losses, claims, or other damages, to student-owned vehicles resulting from vandalism, collision, or other acts by any person, other than damage caused directly by its employees. See http://www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/riskmgmt/persvehicles/ for more information.
**Property**

The College does not have property insurance for student possessions, and it accepts no responsibility for any personal possessions or property of students. Any possessions in student rooms or left in storage areas are left at the owner’s own risk. Students are responsible for insuring their own property against loss, and may be able to do so using parents’ policies or by obtaining a tenant’s policy through a local insurance agent. It is recommended that students keep their doors locked at all times and not leave valuable items in storage areas. See [http://www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/riskmgmt/policy/stuliab/#property](http://www.fivecolleges.edu/sites/riskmgmt/policy/stuliab/#property) for more information and links to the college policy on abandoned property and bicycles.

**Liability**

The College is not liable for the actions of its students, nor is it possible for the College to obtain liability insurance on behalf of its students. Student athletes especially should be aware that if they are sued for injuries or damages caused to others in the course of an athletic event, Hampshire’s insurance does not provide coverage. The liability section of a parent’s homeowner’s policy or renter’s policy may provide for the defense of the student and damages awarded, if any, in a suit alleging negligence. Students are responsible for avoiding intentional acts or negligent behavior that could harm others or give rise to adverse legal action. Although the College will not provide liability protection, it may, at its discretion, assist in obtaining a defense if it is not provided for by parental insurance coverage.

If a student is sued for an act or omission and believes that they were acting in the capacity of an employee or agent of the College at the time of such act or omission, the student should contact the dean of students immediately for instructions.

**Workers Compensation**

Students who are employed by the College, and who are injured in the course of their work for the College, are eligible for Workers Compensation. If a student is injured on the job, the student should contact their supervisor immediately to report the injury and complete an accident investigation form. Questions should be directed to the student’s supervisor and the human resources office.
Governance
Hampshire College encourages students to participate in community governance. Students have many opportunities to take an active part in shaping campus policy and making decisions affecting academic and student-life issues. In fact, most committees and governance bodies require student membership. The degree of involvement ranges from being elected the student trustee, to serving as a Community Council member, to attending School meetings, to serving on a house-director search committee.

The College has set aside time during each week when classes are not scheduled so that community members may participate in governance activities. This “governance time” is Tuesday, beginning at 3 p.m., throughout the academic year. During this time governing boards regularly meet. Meetings of all governance bodies are generally open to the community.

This section discusses some of the important governance positions and committees that require student involvement. For more information on various governing boards on campus, consult the Hampshire College Constitution, trustee bylaws, or Community Council bylaws, or inquire in the dean of faculty and community council offices.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

STUDENT TRUSTEE AND ALTERNATE TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Hampshire College Board of Trustees is the overarching governing body of the College. According to the bylaws, the trustees have general supervision and control over the property and affairs of the College. They formulate and oversee educational and fiscal policy; appoint officers and set the terms of their employment; make rules to ensure the good government of the College; fix tuition and other fees; and confer all honors and degrees. There are currently 22 members of the board of trustees, including one member of the faculty, one staff member, and one student. Additionally, the board bylaws provide for a student trustee alternate.

Like all trustees, the student trustee and the student trustee alternate are expected to attend and to participate in four meetings per year of the board of trustees, typically in August, November, February, and May. Most board meetings are held on campus. Meetings run from Thursday afternoon through Saturday at noon. The student trustee and student trustee alternate are also expected to participate in meetings of various committees of the board.

In addition to presenting students’ concerns and viewpoints to the board, the student trustee and student trustee alternate are expected to report back to their constituencies, formally and informally, on matters taken up by the trustees, in a manner consistent with the trustee code of conduct.

A student candidate must have been in residence for at least one full academic year, and must be in good academic and disciplinary standing to be eligible to serve on the board of trustees. Students interested in trustee service must make a commitment to be on campus for two years. During the first year, the student serves as student trustee alternate, attending all board meetings and functions except those that involve executive session. This is a non-voting position. During the second year, the student becomes a full, voting trustee, and another student becomes the student trustee alternate. Please refer to the bylaws of the board of trustees for more details about eligibility and service.
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees of Hampshire College is currently made up of 22 members. Due to the large volume of business required of the board, much of the work and detailed discussion is delegated to various committees. Most of the board’s committees comprise, besides trustees, an elected student representative, an elected staff representative, and an elected faculty representative. These committees discuss concerns and proposals that fall within their area of responsibility, and they make recommendations to the full board of trustees about action to be taken. In general, they meet for one to two hours, three or four times a year. Occasionally committees convene more often between regularly scheduled board meetings.

Any student who has been fully enrolled for at least two semesters, who is in good academic standing, and who will make a one-year commitment is eligible to serve on a board committee. Incumbents are eligible to run for a second term.

Current Committees of the Board of Trustees

Students, faculty, and staff serve on the following Board of Trustees committees:

- Academic Affairs Committee. Considers academic program development and parameters bearing on the academic program.
- Committee on Buildings, Grounds, and Environmental Sustainability. Reviews and discusses proposals and issues affecting facilities and grounds, land use, construction, etc.
- Development Committee. Supports and participates in the College’s fundraising efforts, including annual fund solicitations, the graduate gift program, alumni and family relations, and overall development strategies.
- Enrollment Committee. Reviews and discusses admissions and financial aid strategies and procedures.
- Finance Committee. Oversees the financial affairs of the College, including budgets and cash flow.
- Student Life Committee. Considers initiatives and practices affecting nonacademic aspects of student and community life.

In addition, students, faculty, and staff may be asked to serve on other ad hoc committees of the board.

For more information about student participation on trustees committees or becoming a student trustee, please contact the office of the secretary of the college, x5521.

Investment Practices of the College

The Board of Trustees of Hampshire College follows a policy designed to ensure that the College’s funds are invested in a socially responsible manner. At the present time, the policy is being updated by an ad hoc committee of the board in order to make it more current and comprehensive.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Community Council is responsible for the quality of life on campus and the well-being of the college community. Community Council allocates funds from the student activities fee, which each Hampshire student pays. These fees fund various student groups, on-campus activities, and house programs as well as community-wide expenditures such as the PVTA bus service fee and the University of Massachusetts Amherst Fine Arts Center fee. Community Council is composed of students, staff, administration, and faculty serving together. The council meets weekly during governance time, 3:30–5 p.m. every Tuesday. Its meetings and minutes are open to the community. To learn more, email ccouncil@hampshire.edu, or visit the website at http://council.hampshire.edu.

Financial Committee (FiCom)

The financial committee (FiCom) is the standing committee of Community Council that is responsible for the distribution of the student activities fee. FiCom funds groups on a semester basis. To be on the agenda, a written request must be submitted to FiCom one week in advance. FiCom is student-run and has both elected officers and at-large members. FiCom’s office is in the back of the Airport Lounge in the library.

Committee on Community Activities (COCA)

COCA is the standing committee of Community Council that plans large-scale campus events and also funds student group–sponsored events. COCA funds and organizes Hampshire Halloween and Spring Jam, and cosponsors many other events throughout the year. COCA is student-run and anyone can join. For more information, email COCA at coca@hampshire.edu. Community Council, COCA, SafeCom, and COCD share an office space in the rear of the Airport Lounge in the library.
Committee on Community Development (COCD)

COCD is a standing committee of Community Council that addresses issues of community space, resources, and services at Hampshire. Among past projects are initiating an overhaul of the Airport Lounge and supporting the ongoing renewal of the Cultural Center, Center for Feminisms, and Queer Community Alliance Center. COCD is student-run and anyone can join. Community Council, COCA, SafeCom, and COCD share an office space in the rear of the Airport Lounge in the library.

Safety Committee (SafeCom)

SafeCom is the standing committee of Community Council that addresses issues of health and safety in the student community. SafeCom works in close consultation with Campus Police. Community Council, COCA, SafeCom, and COCD share an office space in the rear of the Airport Lounge in the library.

All-Community Meetings

Community Council has the ability to coordinate and facilitate a meeting of all members of the campus community. This is an opportunity for students, staff, and faculty to come together to address concerns, to make proposals, and to ask questions related to current campus issues. Community Council solicits suggestions for the agenda from community members prior to each meeting. For more information and meeting dates, email the council at c council@hampshire.edu. Additional all-community meetings may be called by the president or the dean of students.

EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE (EPC)

This committee is responsible for matters relating to the educational policy of the College as may be delegated to it by the Faculty Meeting. Such responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, the determination and approval of the curriculum, academic calendar, degree requirements, and academic standards. It also encourages and promotes innovative and educational experiments. EPC is composed of one regular faculty member and one student from each of the Schools (CS, HACU, IA, NS, and CSI), one student at-large, two staff members, one School dean, the dean of advising, and the vice president and dean of faculty ex officio. Discussions regarding any educational policy change happen in EPC and then are forwarded to the faculty for final approval. Meetings are at 3:30 p.m., Tuesdays (except the first Tuesday of the month). For more information, contact EPC Secretary Jean Sepanski at x5378 or jsDO@hampshire.edu.

SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP

Hampshire’s Schools have involved students in School meetings and committees since the first year of the College. Student membership is welcome and valued. As School members, students represent their own and other students’ concerns in the forum of the School meetings. Students are eligible to participate in discussions and decision-making processes that constitute the business of School meetings. Students may also be responsible for reading reappointment files, providing input, and voting during School meetings on faculty reappointments and promotions. In addition, students may serve on other committees as student representatives (e.g., searches and all-college committees). For more information, inquire in the School offices.

Student Membership in the School of Cognitive Science

Student members in the School of Cognitive Science are full voting members and are responsible for attending School meetings, serving on School and college committees, and, in general, contributing to the functioning of the School. Any fully enrolled Hampshire student who does not currently hold a School membership in another School is eligible. School meetings are scheduled on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in Adele Simmons Hall. For information about application procedures, call or visit the School office.

Student Membership in the School of Humanities, Arts, and Cultural Studies

To apply for membership in the School of Humanities, Arts, and Cultural Studies, a student must have passed the HACU Division I and preferably have filed Division II in HACU. Students are required to submit a short paragraph stating why they would like to become a student member of the School. This letter must include the student’s area of concentration, campus box number, and campus phone extension. The School tries to balance the number of student members in the arts with those in the humanities. Mail the application letter to the assistant to the dean, Box HA, by the third week in September. The School as a whole will vote on student applications at a School meeting. Students have a single vote on all matters requiring a vote. A community service evaluation is available for those who serve as student members. School meetings take place Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in Emily Dickinson Hall.

Student Membership in the School of Interdisciplinary Arts

Student members in the School of Interdisciplinary Arts are full voting members and are responsible for attending the School
meetings, serving on School and college committees, and, in general, contributing to the functioning of the School. Any fully enrolled Hampshire student who does not hold a membership in another School is eligible. There are up to five student members in the School of Interdisciplinary Arts. School meetings are scheduled on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Writing Center. For information about application procedures, call or visit the School office.

**Student Membership in the School of Natural Science**

School meetings are held every Monday of each semester from noon to 1:20 p.m. in Cole Science Center, room 114. All students who attend School meetings on a regular basis are considered members of the School and are eligible to participate in all discussions and decision-making processes. Decisions are made by consensus. Student participation on committees is encouraged.

**Student Membership in the School of Critical Social Inquiry**

The School of Critical Social Inquiry has an active student membership, a portion of which is renewed each term. Student members select from among themselves a group of six or seven voting members to vote on faculty hiring, promotions, and reappointments. Critical Social Inquiry meets about twice a month on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in FPH. For information about application procedures, call or visit the School office.

**STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN THE REAPPOINTMENT OF FACULTY**

Students have always been considered an integral part of college decision-making. The high regard that the community has for student judgment and perception is clearly reflected in the fact that students participate in the decisions regarding faculty reappointments and promotions. This participation takes two forms:

- Students are strongly encouraged to submit letters for files of faculty members who are up for reappointment. Student letters are most helpful when they describe in some detail the ways in which the student has worked with the faculty member and present an evaluation of the learning experience. It is not necessary for students to conclude with a recommendation for or against reappointment or promotion. Many factors are considered in the final judgment. A procedure established in 1979 allows students to submit confidential information to a faculty committee established in each of the Schools. A summary of the content and context of a student’s information is placed by the committee in the candidate’s open reappointment file. The name of the student is withheld.

- Student members of all Schools participate in the reappointment process at that level. In addition, students are members of the Hampshire College Committee on Faculty Reappointments and Promotions (CCFRAP). CCFRAP makes recommendations on faculty reappointments and promotions to the president. Two students, elected early in the fall semester (and who must be voting members of a School), are members for a one-year term.

**STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES**

The division of student life offers many opportunities for student involvement on various committees and task forces related to student life issues. Students are members of search committees for student life staff. Recent committees in which students participated are searches for an associate dean, Campus Police officers, and residence life house directors. Students are also members of student life task forces. Among recent task forces is the Tobacco Task Force. For more information about student opportunities on student life committees and task forces, inquire in the dean of students office.

Students take part in the Community Review Board (CRB), which is the community-based disciplinary board, which consists of students, faculty, and staff members.

See the Community Standards, Policies, and Procedures section for information relating to the selection of CRB members.

**Housing Advisory Committee (HAC)**

HAC is a committee of students and staff who meet on an ad hoc basis to review and make recommendations relating to housing policy and room-choosing procedures. HAC meetings are seasonal and are open to all Hampshire College community members. HAC is always seeking more student involvement. For more information contact the assistant director of residence life.

**CAMPUS FACILITY COMMITTEES**

Students are strongly encouraged to participate in campus planning and in the long-term planning for the future of Hampshire College. Most planning committees involve students and a broad range of faculty and staff.

For information about campus facility committees and other related activities, contact the facilities and grounds office at x5431.
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

The Environmental Committee (EC) identifies and evaluates opportunities for the Hampshire College community to decrease its environmental footprint and increase its overall sustainability. The EC coordinates, develops, and vets ideas and plans related to energy and materials consumption and emissions and provide information, counsel, and specific recommendations to the College President. The EC facilitates communication between administrators, trustees, faculty, staff, and student groups in order to advance environmentally-related plans, interests, and activism. The EC engages the entire community in environmental and sustainability issues from campus to global scales and increase the community's awareness of and accessibility to low-impact living options on and off campus. Contact: Steve Roof, x5667.

STUDENTS INELIGIBLE TO RUN FOR OR HOLD ELECTED OFFICE

Students in poor academic standing or on disciplinary probation forfeit the privilege to run for or hold elected office. Students who want to appeal must do so in writing to the appeals committee. This application must include a statement from the applicant’s advisor. In order to allow time for possible appeals, nominations for any elected office must close at least one week prior to the elections. An appeals committee will consist of the dean of faculty and one faculty member of the Educational Policy Council for matters of academic standing, and the dean of students, a staff member of Community Council, and a student member of Community Council for matters of disciplinary probation.

NOTIFICATION OF JURY DUTY LAW

According to the Office of the Jury Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, “Every U.S. Citizen 17 years of age or older who is a Massachusetts resident or an inhabitant for more than 50% of the time is eligible to serve as a juror. If you are a resident of another state but a student at a Massachusetts college, you are an inhabitant for more than 50% of the year and, therefore, eligible to serve as a juror in Massachusetts.” There are no student exemptions from jury duty.

Students should read carefully all materials they receive with their summons to service, which contain helpful information about confirming, postponing, rescheduling, or relocating service, and address many of the most frequently asked questions. Jury duty is an important legal obligation, and those who fail to respond are subject to criminal prosecution. Students who miss class in order to fulfill their jury service requirement should notify each of their instructors of the summons and make arrangements to complete any missed work.

If you have any questions about jury duty, including confirming, postponing, rescheduling, or limiting your service, contact the Office of the Jury Commissioner (1.800.THE.JURY/1.800.843.5879). Further information can be found on the Office of the Jury Commissioner’s website at www.massjury.com.

VOTER REGISTRATION

As a part of the Higher Education Amendment, Hampshire College must provide you with the opportunity to register to vote. To request a mail-in voter registration form online, visit www.state.ma.us/sec/ele/elestu/stuidx.htm. The Massachusetts form can be used only to register to vote in Massachusetts.

Out-of-state students who want to vote in their home state must use either a mail-in form supplied by an election official in the home state or the federal mail-in affidavit of voter registration. Affidavits may be obtained by writing or calling the Massachusetts Elections Division, Room 1705, McCormack Building, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108; 617.727.2828 or 800.462.8683.
Other Resources and Contacts
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Academic policy questions/concerns ................................................................. Center for Academic Support and Advising (CASA), x5498
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Advertisements/publicity .......................................................... Daily Digest, intranet.hampshire.edu; The Omen, omen@hampshire.edu;
Advisors, assignment of, changing .............................................................. Center for Academic Support and Advising (CASA), x5498
Alcohol- and drug-policy questions/concerns ................................................... Dean of Students Office, x5412
All-Community Meetings .............................................................. Community Council, for agendas and dates, ccouncil@hampshire.edu;
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Alumni connections, addresses for alumni ....................................................... Alumni and Family Relations Office, x6638
Audio/visual equipment ..................................................................................... Media Services, x5435
Bills, tuition, and fees ................................................................. Student Financial Services, Bursar, x5497
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Bus tickets .............................................................. Hampstore, x6000; www.peterpanbus.com, or bus station in downtown Amherst
Cab Service (Amherst) ..................................................................................... Tik Tak Taxi, 413.256.4500; Celebrity Cab, 413.253.7330
Career Options Resource Center .......................................................... x5445
Career services/advice ..................................................................................... Career Options Resource Center, x5445
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Community Review Board ............................................................. to file a complaint, Dean of Students Office, x5412
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