

Class Behavior
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“Ethics is nothing else than reverence for life.”
---Albert Schweitzer (1875-1965)

General:

The classroom is a special environment in which students and faculty come together to promote learning and growth. It is essential to this learning environment that respect for the rights of others seeking to learn, respect for the professionalism of the instructor, and the general goals of academic freedom are maintained. Differences of viewpoint or concerns should be expressed in terms which are supportive of the learning process, creating an environment in which students and faculty may learn to reason with clarity and compassion, to share of themselves without losing their identities, and to develop an understanding of the community in which they live and work. Student conduct which disrupts the learning process shall not be tolerated and may lead to disciplinary action and/or removal from class.

Attendance and Punctuality:

I recommend attending all class sessions and I recommend prompt arrival. You are responsible for all the information presented in class. I recommend that, at your earliest convenience, you exchange contact information with at least one other person in class.

Dress Code:

I require that you take off your hat in the classroom. Hats may be worn in class, but the brim of the hat, if any, must not obstruct your face or eyes in any way.

Performance Expectations:

Each student will be expected to complete her or his own work. In all academic matters in this program and at CSU Northridge, the students will act appropriately with regard to their interactions with other students, faculty, and staff. The College maintains high standards of ethical conduct that students are expected to maintain throughout their academic and professional careers. Students in the College of Business and Economics have identified the values of respect, honesty, integrity, commitment, and responsibility as their guiding principles. See:

<http://www.csun.edu/busdean/pdf/core-values.pdf>

It is my fervent hope that you choose to adhere to these principles. Academic dishonesty of any kind (cheating, fabrication, plagiarism) will not be tolerated and will result in the appropriate disciplinary actions. Please see the CSUN Catalog Policy on Academic Dishonesty (pp. 531-532) for further details.

Classroom Behavior:

Each student has an obligation not to disrupt valuable class time or impair the listening and learning ability of other students. This includes excessive talking, especially while others, including the instructor, are speaking. For the first offense, I will bring this behavior to your attention. For the second offense, I will require that you leave the classroom for the day. For the third offense, you will earn an “F” for this course.

Laptops and Recording Devices:

Laptops are permitted, but I will occasionally require that you turn them off and close the screen. Additionally, laptops are not permitted to be used on any quiz or exam. All recording devices are prohibited in this class, unless specifically exempted by me. This is typically done for learning disabled students or other special situations.

Other Behaviors:

In addition the CSUN Catalog, the CSUN Schedule of Classes also has a page entitled “Student Behavior.” It may be prudent to review this page before each semester as well.