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A BILL

**TO ESTABLISH THE STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN TANDEM
WITH THE LSU FACULTY SENATE**

- PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, A STUDENT ENROLLED AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY SHOULD BE AWARE OF RIGHTS GRANTED AND UPHELD BY THE ADMINISTRATION; AND
- PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, STUDENTS SHOULD BE AWARE OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES NECESSARY TO RECEIVE THESE RIGHTS; AND
- PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY ARE PROTECTED BY ESTABLISHED POLICIES WHICH ARE NOT EASILY ACCESSIBLE; AND
- PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, THERE IS NO CENTRAL DOCUMENT THAT INFORMS STUDENTS OF THESE RIGHTS; AND
- PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, A CENTRAL DOCUMENT WILL EMPHASIZE AND CLARIFY SUCH RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT A STUDENT AT THE UNIVERSITY MAY HAVE; AND
- PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, ANY VIOLATIONS OF THESE RIGHTS MAY BE ADDRESSED BY FILING A COMPLAINT TO THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT JUDICIAL BRANCH; AND
- PARAGRAPH 7:** WHEREAS, IN THE CASE THAT A COMPLAINT MERITS VALIDATION THE JUDICIAL BRANCH MAY OFFER AN ENDORSEMENT OF A STUDENT'S COMPLAINT THROUGH A JUDICIAL OPINION; AND
- PARAGRAPH 8:** WHEREAS THIS LIST IS NOT EXHAUSTIVE AND IS BASED SOLELY ON EXISTING POLICIES AND PRACTICE INCLUDING THE FACULTY HANDBOOK, PS-44, PS-22, PS-48, PS-30, THE LSU GENERAL CATALOG, THE FALL SCHEDULE BOOKLET, AND THE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974; AND
- PARAGRAPH 9:** WHEREAS, THE LSU STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:
1. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO FOLLOW THE LSU CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT.*
 2. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO MEET WITH PROFESSORS OR INSTRUCTORS CONCERNING THEIR CLASSES.*
 3. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO ATTEND CLASS AND TO SEEK OUT WORK FOR WHICH THEY HAVE MISSED IN THE CASE OF AN EXCUSED ABSENCE.*

4. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE UP COURSE WORK FOR ABSENCES DEEMED EXCUSABLE BY PS-22 OR AN INDIVIDUAL PROFESSOR.*
5. *STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING REASONABLE ADVANCE NOTICE AND APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION TO BE EXCUSED FROM CLASS OR AN ASSIGNMENT.*
6. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO ACCESS THE SYLLABI IN THEIR COURSES AND TO ANY CHANGES THAT ARE MADE DURING THE SEMESTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH PS-29.*
7. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO VIEW UPDATED GRADE INFORMATION DURING THE SEMESTER.*
8. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL THE DECISIONS OF THEIR PROFESSORS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PS-48.*
9. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE APPEALS OF FINAL GRADES WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE NEXT REGULAR SEMESTER.*
10. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO RE-SCHEDULE A FINAL EXAM IF THERE ARE THREE FINAL EXAMINATIONS SCHEDULED WITHIN A 24 HOUR TIME PERIOD.*
11. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO REQUEST TO THE DEAN OF THEIR COLLEGE THAT THEIR EXAMS BE RE-SCHEDULED WHEN THIS OCCURS.*
12. *STUDENTS CANNOT HAVE THEIR OPINIONS WEIGHED NEGATIVELY WHEN EXPRESSED WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF A COURSE AND THE COURSE MATERIAL.*
13. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CONFIDENTIALITY OF THEIR RECORDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FERPA.*
14. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO ACCESS FREE ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES WHEN AVAILABLE AND APPROPRIATE FOR AN ASSIGNMENT.*
15. *STUDENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE CONSIDERED STAKEHOLDERS IN THE UNIVERSITY POLICIES THAT AFFECT THEIR ABILITIES TO ACHIEVE ACADEMIC AND PERSONAL SUCCESS ON CAMPUS.*

PARAGRAPH 10: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT THESE RIGHTS BE OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED BY THE UNIVERSITY AND MADE PUBLIC TO ALL STUDENTS ON THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT WEBSITE, AND

PARAGRAPH 11: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO FACULTY SENATE, PRESIDENT F. KING ALEXANDER, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT & PROVOST STACIA HAYNIE, AND D'ANN MORRIS

PARAGRAPH 12: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A TWO THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

APPROVED:

CHRISTINA M. BLACK
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

STEWART LOCKETT
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE: _____

DATE: _____