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The policies, rules, and regulations governing student conduct and discipline are laid out in the *Texas State University System Rules and Regulations*, Chapter six, Section five. As a component member of the Texas State University System, Sul Ross State University adheres to the principle that "Each student is expected to act in a manner consistent with the Component's function as an educational institution" (*TSUS Rules and Regulations*, Chapter VI, Section 5.2) at all times, both in and out of the classroom.

Under these *Rules and Regulations*, a student is subject to discipline if he or she engages in student misconduct. Behaviors classified as misconduct include but are not restricted to the following:

1. "Failure to comply with the direction of a Component official acting in the performance of his or her duties; or, failure to heed an official summons to the office of a Component official within the designated time" [*Rules and Regulations*, Chapter VI, Section 5.2(3)].
2. "Harassment where the individual threatens or bullies, in person, by telephone, electronically, in writing, or by other means, to take unlawful action against any person and by this action intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly annoys or alarms the recipient" [*Rules and Regulations*, Chapter VI, Section 5.2(19)].
3. Disorderly conduct and disruptive activities on university property that "inhibit or interfere with the educational responsibility of the Component community or the Component's social-educational activities." These behaviors "shall include but not be limited to: using abusive, indecent, profane or vulgar language; making offensive gestures or displays that tend to incite a breach of the peace; perpetrating fights, assaults, acts of sexual violence, abuse, or threats; or evincing some obviously offensive manner or committing an act that causes a person to feel threatened. Such prohibition includes disorderly classroom conduct that obstructs, interferes with, inhibits and/or disrupts teaching and/or related classroom activities" [*Rules and Regulations*, Chapter VI, Section 5.2(21)].
4. Academic dishonesty. "The Component expects all students to engage in all academic pursuits in a manner that is above reproach and to maintain complete honesty and integrity in the academic experiences both in and out of the classroom. The Component may initiate disciplinary proceedings against a student accused of any form of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, falsification of research data, or the abuse of

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resource materials on an examination or other academic work" (*Rules and Regulations*, Chapter VI, Section 5.3).

Further explanation of the policies, rules, and regulations of the Texas State University System that govern student conduct and discipline are laid out in the *Texas State University System Rules and Regulations*, Chapter VI, Sections 5.3-5.15.