

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT (FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS 2023/24)



Collyer's Code of Conduct forms the basis of a students' contract with the college. We aim to provide clear and simple guidance so that students can confidently play their part in maintaining a considerate, inclusive and safe environment for our community, in line with our [EDI Policy](#).

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

Lanyards

- Always wear your college I.D. card and lanyard when on campus. Report lost or stolen I.D. to the issues desk on the first floor in the library, where you can obtain a temporary wristband and/or purchase a replacement.

Dress and Appearance

- Clothing and appearance should be clean and tidy and appropriate for a working environment.
- Avoid clothes likely to give offence (e.g., unpleasant slogans, drug-related logos).
- Subject specific clothing may be required that will need to comply with subject risk assessments (e.g., sports clothing, lab coats)

Part-Time Work

- Part-time work should be limited to a maximum of 12 hours per week (national research shows that above this, students' results will suffer). Paid work should not interfere with college work or attendance commitments.

Off-site

- Students must not congregate around the perimeter of the college on Hurst Rd and Richmond Rd.
- During the college day, students should be courteous to our local residents and members of the public, representing the college in a positive way.
- Local parking must be lawful.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

- Attend all timetabled sessions.
- Arrive at lessons on time.
- Be available to attend at any time during the college day, throughout term time.
- Absences should be reported by parents/carers, via email absence@collyers.ac.uk or the absence line: 01403 216528.
- Students who feel unwell during the college day may travel home independently if it is safe to do so, but any lessons missed due to illness must be followed up with an absence report by parents/carers. Students should report to Student Services (B002) if they feel too unwell to travel home alone.
- Use SharePoint/Teams and contact peers and/or teacher to catch up work missed through absence; check on homework set.
- Do not take holidays in term time.
- Students must attend any meetings or additional workshops arranged as part of an Action Plan by a member of staff. These are designed to ensure students stay on track with their studies and therefore positive engagement is expected.

STUDY RELATED BEHAVIOUR

- Total weekly independent study should, at a minimum, match your weekly lesson hours. Expect to spend time studying during evenings and weekends.
- Work hard and make a positive contribution to lessons.
- Bring the right equipment for lessons.
- Do not interfere with others' learning through inappropriate behaviour in lesson or the library.
- Plan your time and meet deadlines.
- Mobile phones must not be used during lessons unless directed by a teacher, earphones should be removed.
- If staff are delayed or unavailable, work in the normal room whilst awaiting instructions.
- Communicate with your teachers, tutor or Student Services for support and advice.
- Pass on college communications and information to your parents/carers.
- Be honest, courteous, and considerate in behaviour and language, in person and online.
- Be quiet in and around buildings used for teaching, studying or exams.
- Most of the above applies to online study/lessons but full expectations of 'Online Etiquette' can be found on the Student Common Room.

Misconduct

Students who do not behave in a courteous manner, indicating respect for others and the environment around them, will be challenged. Any staff member has the right to ask students for their name and/or ID badge, for the purposes of safeguarding our college community and upholding the Code of Conduct. Staff also have the right to confiscate items of property which are prohibited or being used in breach of the Code of Conduct. This is essential to ensure that student behaviour does not impact negatively on the health, wellbeing, and productivity of the college community. Behaviour which constitutes misconduct will be subject to disciplinary action. The list below, whilst not exhaustive or exclusive, is intended to provide examples of behaviour that would be considered unacceptable at Collyer's:

- Bringing the college into disrepute
- Disruption of others' learning
- Providing false or misleading information on an application or during a college interview
- Use of devices to record sound/images without an individual's knowledge and/or permission
- Failure to comply with the Social Media Policy and the Use of Computers Agreement
- Plagiarism or any form of academic cheating
- Failing to wear ID or loaning ID to someone else
- Inviting or encouraging non-college members onto campus (Students must report any unauthorised people onsite to Reception or Student Services)
- Parking in the college car park without a permit or parking unlawfully in local vicinity
- Actions which cause a health & safety concern (or failing to respond to a health & safety concern), putting members of the college community at risk
- Littering on campus or around the perimeter
- Smoking or vaping on campus
- Failure to be considerate of neighbours, drivers, and pedestrians around the college perimeter
- No congregating in groups or smoking/vaping around the college perimeter
- Jaywalking in the college vicinity: students must not cross Hurst Road except via a pedestrian crossing, and must not walk-through vehicle entrances
- Using college computers or devices to send abusive, scandalous, obscene, or defamatory communications of any kind
- Attempting to access or download obscene or pornographic images on the college network or otherwise being in possession such material
- Attending college or college-related activities under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances
- Carrying, using, or distributing prohibited drugs, alcohol, or illegal substances, on or within the vicinity of the college campus
- Involvement in the distribution of prohibited drugs or illegal substances outside college
- Bullying and harassment (online and in person)
- Discriminatory language or behaviour
- Making malicious or false allegations or complaints
- Being a party to a criminal act
- Wilful damage to college property
- Taking part in, or encouraging others to take part in, illegal extremist activities intended to radicalise themselves or others
- Violent, aggressive, or threatening behaviour towards any member of the college community or any member of the public
- Unwanted sexual behaviours, harassment and abuse including sharing unwanted sexual images
- Carrying, threatening to use, or using an offensive weapon on or off campus
- Carrying a potential or imitation weapon into college, or within the immediate vicinity of the college

Compliance with the code of conduct is promoted through the college's [Student Behaviour Policy](#), a copy of which is available from the college website. If a student does not comply with the Code of Conduct, the Student Behaviour Policy and Procedures may be used. If a student has a grievance in relation to the application of the Behaviour Policy, the guidelines in the [Complaints Policy](#) (available on the college website) should be used.