

# **STUDENT CODE OF ETHICS**

## **Powiślański University**

Student Government of Powiślański University, hereinafter referred to as the University Pursuant to the provisions of the Act of July 20, 2018. - "Law on Higher Education and Science" (Journal of Laws 2023, item 749, as amended), adopts the PSW Student Code of Ethics, hereinafter referred to as the Code as of December 31, 2023.

### **INTRODUCTION**

We, the students of PSW, bearing in mind the momentous impact of science on the quality of human life, nourish the conviction that we have faced an opportunity that has been inaccessible for centuries.

This opportunity is the opportunity to gain knowledge. We believe that this code will serve as evidence of our awareness of its extraordinary importance, as well as the sense of responsibility that comes with it.

Being faithful to our academic and social responsibilities, taking universal moral values as a model, being aware of our responsibility for the good name of the student, we pledge to observe ethical principles and adhere to the most important academic standards, and declare that we will:

### **CHAPTER I**

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

##### **§1**

Bearing in mind the dignity of every human being, the student is guided in his conduct by honesty and decency, and in his dealings with others, regardless of their position in the academic and social hierarchy, observes the principles of good manners and good manners.

##### **§ 2**

The student's responsibility is:

1. to comply with the duties assigned to him/her under the Law on Higher Education and Science and the applicable Academic Regulations of the University,
2. Respect for the dignity of the University and the dissemination of its achievements,
3. Respect for the property of the University.

##### **§ 3**

Students should not participate in any activities that derogate the dignity of others, as well as undertake activities that may harm the good name of the University.

### **CHAPTER II**

#### **SCIENCE AND STUDIES**

##### **§4**

The student is obliged to work diligently and conscientiously to continually improve his skills, and to acquire knowledge throughout his studies.

## **§5**

Students should make every possible effort to enrich their knowledge, in particular, by taking part in optional activities and extra-curricular activities.

## **§6**

Students should acquire and develop all practical skills related to their future profession, in particular by participating in the student internship system.

## **§7**

The student shall treat examinations, as well as all other forms of verification of learning outcomes, as fair tests in which he/she uses only his/her knowledge and skills. Any dishonest behaviour is unacceptable, in particular aimed at to distort the result of an exam or any other form of verification of learning outcomes.

## **§8**

The student shall not alter, forge, or otherwise falsify documents for personal gain.

### **CHAPTER III**

#### **UNETHICAL AND REPREHENSIBLE BEHAVIOR**

## **§ 9**

The student shall be guided by absolute integrity in all his actions. In particular, it is considered unethical to:

1. Unsupervised writing of credit papers - submission of purchased or appropriated works of others for credit;
2. Failure to comply with intellectual property law - using other people's materials in thesis and dissertations without crediting the author;
3. Failure to comply with or circumvent the standards set forth in the Code and Polish law;
4. Forging grades and falsifying documents;
5. Impersonating another student;
6. The use of family and personal relationships and patronage;
7. excessive confidentiality with academics;
8. Seeking to obtain undue benefits from the university.

## **§10**

The student's duty is to respect the property of the University and the public. The student should show concern for the technical efficiency and aesthetics of the resources made available to him.

It is considered reprehensible to:

1. destroy the University's property: lecture and exercise rooms, laboratory rooms, as well as their equipment,
2. conduct manifestations of vandalism.

## **CHAPTER IV**

### **ATTITUDE TOWARDS ACADEMIC TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

#### **§11**

The student shall treat academic teachers and administrative staff of the University with the respect due to them, observing in his/her dealings with them the principles of good manners

and academic customs.

In particular, it is considered reprehensible;

1. Repeated and unexcused lack of punctuality,
2. Disrupting the course of teaching activities,
3. Insulting or disrespectful attitude.

#### **§12**

The student shall not use private contacts and personal intimacies with academicians of the University for personal gain.

#### **§13**

The student should respond adequately to any manifestation of unethical behavior by University academics. In the case of behavior that constitutes a violation of applicable legal norms, he or she should also notify the University authorities and appropriate law enforcement agencies.

## **CHAPTER V**

### **ATTITUDE TOWARDS STUDENTS**

#### **§14**

The student treats other students with respect. In mutual interactions, he remains courteous and friendly. In this way, students contribute to the academic community of the university.

#### **§15**

Each student is obliged to maintain the culture of the words he or she uses. It is strictly forbidden to use words commonly regarded as vulgar or offensive.

#### **§16**

The student strives to support other students in their studies, to help them adjust to the conditions of academic life, as well as to learn and follow the rules of the University.

#### **§17**

The student does not discriminate against other students on the basis of color, religion, nationality, political beliefs, sexual orientation or any other reason.

#### **§18**

The student shall refrain from any unethical behavior toward other students, especially those that are intended to cause harm or damage to someone.

## **CHAPTER VI**

### **ATTITUDE TOWARDS UNIVERSITIES**

#### **§19**

Each student of the University should take care of the good name of the University and represent the University in a dignified manner, even when he/she does not exercise his/her rights and duties under the provisions of the applicable law.

#### **§20**

The student strives to participate in important events for the academic community. If possible, he should also actively participate in their organization.

#### **§21**

The student interacts with people associated with the University to improve its operation.

#### **§22**

The student also after graduation is obliged, testifying with his moral and intellectual level, to take care of the good name of the Department and the University.

#### **§23**

Students are prohibited from consuming alcohol and other intoxicants on the premises of the University.

#### **§24**

Students are prohibited from smoking tobacco and other tobacco products on the premises of the University, except in places designated for this purpose.

#### **§25**

It is categorically forbidden to use the University's property for the student's election campaign and any activities aimed at equating the University's image with a particular political party.

## **CHAPTER VII**

### **APPLICATION OF THE STUDENT CODE OF ETHICS**

#### **§26**

All students of the University are required to comply with the Code. It is unacceptable to violate or circumvent the standards set forth therein. It is particularly reprehensible to do so in order to obtain a pecuniary or other personal benefit.

#### **§27**

All students of the University are required to familiarize themselves with the Code and disseminate its provisions to the academic community.

## **§28**

Any questions, suggestions and comments on the implementation of the Code should be submitted to the University's Student Government.

## **§29**

It is the responsibility of the University's Student Government to ensure that students have the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the content of the Code.

## **§30**

The student has the right to receive clarification of provisions that are unclear to him or her, raising doubts about the understanding of the text of the Code. All ambiguities should be consulted with the Student Government of the University.

## **§31**

Every student has the right to propose amendments to the Code. Proposed amendments should be submitted in writing and delivered to the Student Government Members.

## **§32**

Any student who witnesses abuses and violations of the Code is obliged to inform the University's Student Ombudsman of such a situation.

## **§33**

The student reporting the irregularities is assured full anonymity.

## **§34**

Failure to comply with the Code may result in: admonition, reprimand, reprimand with warning, suspension from certain student rights for up to one year, as well as expulsion from the university.

## **§35**

In the event that any provision of the Code is inconsistent with the laws of the Republic of Poland, the provision of the applicable law of the Republic of Poland shall always take precedence, except when the provision of the law is structured in such a way that it harms the to basic human rights. Conflicting provisions should be reported to the Rector of the University.

## **§36**

The Code is subject to periodic revisions and updates to correct any deficiencies and allow for greater implementation of ethical standards.

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