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P K DAS INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, HEALTH SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS

1. Preamble

P K DAS Deemed to be University is committed to provide an environment conducive to teaching, learning, research, innovation, professional development, character building, and the holistic development of students.

The University expects every student to maintain high standards of discipline, academic integrity, professional ethics, mutual respect & personal responsibility.

This Code of Conduct establishes the standards of behaviour expected from all students of the University and is intended to protect the dignity, safety, rights and academic interests of the entire University community.

The Code shall be read together with the University's Rules and Regulations, academic regulations, examination regulations, hostel regulations, anti-ragging provisions, applicable statutory and regulatory requirements, and other policies issued by the University from time to time.

2. Scope and Applicability

2.1 This Code applies to every student enrolled in any programme of P K DAS Deemed to be University, including undergraduate, postgraduate, doctoral, diploma, certificate, professional and other programmes.

2.2 The Code of conduct applies to or applicable in

- The University campus;
- Classrooms, laboratories, libraries, examination halls and clinical/field facilities;
- University hostels and residential facilities;
- University transportation;
- Internships, clinical postings, field visits, educational tours and training;
- Sports, cultural, technical and extracurricular activities;
- University-sponsored events, competitions, conferences and programmes; and
- Other circumstances where the student's conduct has a direct relationship with the University, its academic activities, its community, or its reputation.

2.3 Students shall also comply with programme-specific professional, clinical, laboratory, research, hostel and safety requirements.

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3. General Discipline and Decorum

Every student shall:

3.1 Maintain discipline, dignity and decorum within the University and during University-related activities.

3.2 Comply with all University rules, regulations, policies, circulars, notifications and lawful instructions issued by competent University authorities.

3.3 Behave respectfully towards teaching staff, non-teaching staff, fellow students, visitors, patients/clients where applicable, security personnel and other members of the University community.

3.4 Maintain conduct appropriate to an academic and professional institution.

3.5 Avoid misconduct, indiscipline, insubordination, intimidation, violence, threats, abusive behaviour or conduct that adversely affects the academic environment.

3.6 Respect the legitimate rights, privacy, dignity and property of others.

3.7 Cooperate with University authorities in maintaining discipline, safety and academic standards.

4. Attendance and Academic Requirements

4.1 Regular attendance is compulsory.

4.2 Students shall satisfy the minimum attendance requirement of **75%**, or such other requirement as may be prescribed by the University or applicable statutory/regulatory authority.

4.3 Students shall attend lectures, tutorials, practical sessions, seminars, clinical postings, internships, workshops, examinations and other prescribed academic activities.

4.4 Failure to satisfy attendance requirements may result in denial of eligibility to appear for examinations, subject to applicable University regulations.

4.5 Attendance shall be recorded and maintained by the concerned faculty members/academic departments.

4.6 Students shall not manipulate, falsify or procure false attendance records.

5. Punctuality

5.1 Students shall report to the University on all the working days before **9.00 a.m.**, unless a different schedule is prescribed for a particular programme or activity.

5.2 Students shall be present in the classroom, laboratory, clinical area or other designated academic location before the scheduled commencement of the session.

5.3 Late entry with genuine reasons are allowed for once / twice.

5.4 Repeated late attendance may be treated as indiscipline



6. Classroom, Laboratory and Academic Conduct

Students shall:

6.1 Maintain discipline and proper decorum in classrooms, laboratories, libraries, examination halls, clinical areas and other academic facilities.

6.2 Not to disturb teaching-learning activities or interfere with the academic work of others.

6.3 Obtain permission from the concerned faculty member before entering or leaving an ongoing class.

6.4 Follow the instructions of faculty members, laboratory staff, technical staff, clinical supervisors and other authorized personnel.

6.5 Use mobile phones, laptops, tablets and other electronic devices only in accordance with University and faculty instructions.

6.6 Not engage in disruptive, disorderly, indecent or abusive behaviour during academic activities.

6.7 Not obstruct or interfere with the legitimate teaching, research or administrative activities of the University.

7. University Identity Card

7.1 Every student shall possess a valid University Identity Card.

7.2 Students shall carry and produce the Identity Card whenever required by University authorities or security personnel.

7.3 The Identity Card shall not be transferred, altered, forged, misused or permitted to be used by another person.

7.4 Loss of an Identity Card shall be reported immediately to the appropriate authority.

7.5 Students shall not impersonate another student or permit another person to use their identity.

8. Dress Code and Personal Appearance

8.1 Students shall maintain a neat, clean and appropriate appearance consistent with an academic and professional environment.

8.2 Formal attire with formal or casual shoes shall be worn during academic sessions unless otherwise prescribed.

8.3 Uniform T-shirts with formal pants shall be worn whenever instructed by the concerned authority.

8.4 Sandals/crocs are prohibited by the University.

8.5 Students attending laboratories, clinical areas, workshops or specialized facilities shall wear prescribed protective clothing, uniform, laboratory coats, safety clothes or other required attire.

8.6 Students shall comply with programme-specific dress, safety and professional requirements.

9. Leave and Absence

9.1 Students requiring leave shall obtain prior permission from the appropriate authority wherever practicable.

9.2 Leave applications shall be submitted through the prescribed procedure well in advance.

9.3 In case of illness or emergency, the student shall inform the concerned faculty member, class advisor or department at the earliest through the prescribed procedure.

9.4 Medical leave shall be supported by appropriate documentation wherever required.

9.5 Granting of leave shall not automatically exempt a student from fulfilling prescribed attendance or academic requirements

9.6 Maximum of 15% attendance can be condoned by the higher authority.

10. Movement Outside the Campus

10.1 Students shall comply with procedures relating to entry into and exit from the campus.

10.2 The prescribed campus exit time shall be **4.30 p.m.**, unless otherwise authorized.

10.3 During academic hours, students shall obtain appropriate permission before leaving the campus wherever required.

10.4 Students shall comply with security procedures, including production of Identity Cards and recording of entry/exit details where applicable.

10.5 No student shall leave the campus without the required authorization.

11. Academic Integrity

Students shall maintain the highest standards of academic honesty and integrity.

The following shall constitute academic misconduct:

11.1 Plagiarism, including presenting another person's language, ideas, work, structure or intellectual contribution as one's own without appropriate acknowledgment.

11.2 Submission of work completed wholly or substantially by another person.

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11.3 Multiple submission of substantially the same work for different courses or programmes without proper modifications.

11.4 Unauthorized collaboration in assignments, projects, examinations, dissertations, research or other academic work.

11.5 Assisting another student in committing academic misconduct.

11.6 Fabrication or falsification of data, records, observations, results, references or research findings.

11.7 Creating or using fictitious sources or citations.

11.8 Altering previously evaluated work and submitting it for re-evaluation without authorization.

11.9 Falsifying attendance, certificates, records or other academic documents.

11.10 Signing another student's name on an assignment, report, attendance sheet or other academic record.

11.11 Impersonation in academic or University activities.

12. Examination Conduct and Malpractice

Students shall:

12.1 Comply with all examination rules and instructions issued by the University.

12.2 Not copy or attempt to copy during examinations.

12.3 Not permit or facilitate copying by another student.

12.4 Not write an examination or submit academic work on behalf of another person.

12.5 Not possess or use unauthorized books, notes, electronic devices, communication devices or other examination materials during the examination.

12.6 Not communicate with other candidates during an examination except as permitted by the examination authorities.

12.7 Not fabricate or falsify information in examinations, dissertations, theses, projects or publications.

12.8 Not create or use false references or citations.

12.9 Not alter evaluated work for unauthorized re-submission.

12.10 Not sign another student's name on an examination document, assignment, attendance sheet or other academic record.

Examination malpractice shall be dealt with under the applicable University examination and disciplinary regulations.



13. Prohibition of Ragging, Harassment and Bullying

13.1 Ragging in any form inside or outside the campus is strictly prohibited / banned

13.2 The prohibition applies to the campus, hostels, transportation, online platforms and any activity or location associated with the University.

13.3 Students shall not engage in physical, verbal, psychological, sexual, online or any other form of harassment, bullying, intimidation or abuse.

13.4 Students shall not discriminate against any person on grounds including gender, caste, race, religion or religious belief, colour, region, language, disability, marital/family status or other protected characteristics.

13.5 Students shall cooperate with University authorities during investigations into complaints or incidents.

13.6 Complaints relating to ragging, harassment or discrimination shall be dealt with in accordance with applicable law, statutory regulations and University procedures.

14. Violence, Threats and Disorderly Conduct

Students shall not:

14.1 Engage in physical violence or assault.

14.2 Threaten, intimidate or coerce any student, employee, visitor or other person.

14.3 Participate in riots, group disruption or violent demonstrations.

14.4 Engage in disorderly, lewd, indecent or disruptive conduct.

14.5 Create unreasonable noise or otherwise substantially interfere with the legitimate activities of the University.

14.6 Organize meetings, processions or other activities requiring institutional permission without obtaining such permission.

15. Prohibited Substances, Smoking and Alcohol

15.1 Possession, consumption, distribution or trafficking of illegal drugs or narcotic substances is strictly prohibited.

15.2 Consumption or possession of alcohol on University premises is prohibited.

15.3 Students shall not attend University activities under the influence of alcohol or prohibited substances.

15.4 Smoking and use of tobacco products are prohibited wherever prohibited by law or University regulations.



15.5 Possession or use of harmful chemicals or prohibited substances contrary to law or University regulations is prohibited.

15.6 Violations shall be dealt with under applicable law and University disciplinary regulations.

16. Weapons and Hazardous Materials

16.1 Students shall not possess, carry, use or distribute unauthorized weapons, ammunition, explosives, fireworks or potential weapons on University premises.

16.2 Students shall not possess or use unauthorized hazardous materials or equipment.

16.3 Students shall comply with laboratory, workshop, clinical and institutional safety requirements.

16.4 Any prohibited item shall be dealt with in accordance with applicable law and University regulations.

17. Protection of University Property

17.1 Students shall use University buildings, classrooms, laboratories, libraries, equipment, furniture, vehicles, computers and other facilities with care.

17.2 Students shall not intentionally damage, misuse, remove, tamper or destroy University property.

17.3 Unauthorized access to restricted facilities, offices, laboratories, networks or equipment is prohibited.

17.4 Loss or damage caused by negligence or misconduct may result in disciplinary action and recovery of repair/replacement costs as permitted by University regulations.

17.5 Damage, malfunction or loss of University property shall be reported immediately.

17.6 Scribbling on the desks, walls or on the boards unwanted things are strictly prohibited.

18. Information Technology, Cyber Security and Social Media

18.1 University computers, networks, internet facilities, software and digital resources shall be used only for lawful and authorized purposes.

18.2 Students shall not obtain unauthorized access to University information systems.

18.3 Students shall not introduce malware or malicious software or interfere with digital services.

18.4 Students shall not steal, misuse, damage or tamper with University computers, ICT equipment, networks or digital resources.

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18.5 Students shall not disclose or circulate confidential University information without authorization.

18.6 Students shall respect intellectual property, copyright, privacy and confidentiality requirements.

18.7 Students shall exercise responsibility and restraint while using social media.

18.8 Students shall not publish or circulate content that unlawfully harasses, threatens, defames or violates the privacy or rights of another person.

18.9 Students shall not use social media or other digital platforms in a manner that violates University policies or applicable law or materially damages the University's reputation.

19. Photography, Audio/Video Recording and Media Interaction

19.1 Students shall not audio-record or video-record lectures, classes, faculty, staff or other students without prior permission where such permission is required.

19.2 Students shall not photograph, record or stream another person in circumstances that violate that person's privacy or without appropriate consent where required.

19.3 Students shall not publish or provide recordings of University activities to print or electronic media without appropriate authorization.

19.4 Students shall not represent themselves as authorized spokespersons of the University unless formally authorized.

19.5 Students shall not invite media representatives to campus or interact with media on behalf of the University without appropriate permission.

20. Library Conduct

Students shall:

20.1 Maintain silence and discipline in the library and reading areas.

20.2 Use books, journals, digital resources and other library materials responsibly.

20.3 Return borrowed materials within the prescribed period.

20.4 Not damage, mutilate, remove or misuse library materials.

20.5 Comply with all library-specific rules and instructions.

20.6 Utilize the library resources most effectively for upgrading the knowledge.



21. Respectful Behaviour and Equality

21.1 Every student shall treat members of the University community with dignity, courtesy and respect.

21.2 Discrimination, harassment, bullying, intimidation and abusive behaviour are prohibited.

21.3 Students shall respect differences in background, identity, culture, language, religion, ability and other personal characteristics.

21.4 Students shall maintain professional and respectful conduct during academic, cultural, sports, extracurricular and University-sponsored activities.

22. Campus Cleanliness and Environmental Responsibility

Students shall cooperate in

22.1 Maintaining cleanliness and hygiene throughout the University campus.

22.2 Dispose of waste only in designated bins and areas.

22.3 Not damage plants, trees, landscaping or environmental facilities.

22.4 Conserving water, electricity, paper and other University resources.

22.5 Follow environmental, sanitation and public-health requirements prescribed by the University.

23. Safety and Security

23.1 Students shall comply with all safety and security instructions.

23.2 Required safety equipment and procedures shall be followed in laboratories, workshops, clinical areas, hostels and other specialized facilities.

23.3 Students shall not disable, misuse or interfere with safety equipment.

23.4 Accidents, hazards, suspicious activities or emergencies shall immediately be reported to the appropriate authority.

23.5 Students shall comply with campus security procedures and cooperate with authorized security personnel

24. Hostel and Residential Discipline

24.1 Students residing in University hostels shall comply with hostel rules and regulations.

24.2 Students shall maintain cleanliness, discipline and peaceful living conditions.

24.3 Unauthorized visitors and prohibited items shall not be permitted.

24.4 Students shall not damage hostel property.

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24.5 Students shall comply with hostel entry/exit, attendance, leave, security and timing requirements.

24.6 Any misconduct in the hostel may result in action under both hostel regulations and this Code, where applicable.

24.7 Students staying at PGs are required to maintain the dignity of the University with high level of discipline.

25. Parking and Road Safety

25.1 Students shall park vehicles only in designated areas.

25.2 Parking in no-parking zones or spaces earmarked for other categories of vehicles is prohibited.

25.3 Rash or dangerous driving within the campus is prohibited.

25.4 Students shall comply with campus traffic, security and vehicle regulations.

25.5 Adhere to the road safety rules, 100%.

26. Student Responsibilities

Every student is expected to:

- Uphold the dignity and reputation of P K DAS Deemed to be University;
- Follow University rules, regulations and lawful instructions;
- Maintain academic integrity;
- Maintain professional and ethical conduct;
- Respect the rights and dignity of others;
- Protect University property and resources;
- Maintain cleanliness, safety and discipline;
- Participate responsibly in academic and extracurricular activities;
- Cooperate with University authorities;
- Report serious violations, safety concerns or emergencies through appropriate channels;
- Act in a manner consistent with the University's academic and professional environment;

The existing P K DAS document already identifies these responsibilities as core student obligations.

27. Reporting of Violations

27.1 Students may report serious violations, safety concerns, ragging, harassment, academic misconduct or other disciplinary matters to the appropriate University authority through prescribed channels.

27.2 Complaints shall be handled in accordance with applicable University procedures and statutory requirements.

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27.3 Students shall cooperate with legitimate disciplinary or investigative processes.

27.4 Retaliation against a person who makes a complaint in good faith or participates in an authorized investigation shall not be permitted.

28. Disciplinary Proceedings

28.1 Any alleged violation of this Code may result in disciplinary proceedings.

28.2 Where appropriate, the competent University authority may constitute a disciplinary/Conduct Review Committee to inquire into the alleged violation.

28.3 The student shall be informed of the allegation and provided an appropriate opportunity to present his/her explanation, subject to the applicable University procedure.

28.4 The Committee/competent authority may examine relevant documents, records, statements and other evidence.

28.5 Proceedings may be conducted confidentially where appropriate.

28.6 The disciplinary authority shall consider the nature, seriousness and circumstances of the violation while determining appropriate action.

28.7 Records of disciplinary proceedings shall be maintained by the University in accordance with applicable policies.

29. Disciplinary Measures and Sanctions

Depending on the nature and seriousness of the violation, one or more of the following measures may be imposed, subject to applicable University regulations:

29.1 Warning.

29.2 Written censure/reprimand.

29.3 Counselling or undertaking.

29.4 Community/pro bono service or other corrective educational measures where appropriate and permissible.

29.5 Fine or recovery of costs where permissible under University regulations.

29.6 Loss or restriction of specified privileges.

29.7 Disciplinary probation.

29.8 Withholding of specified academic or institutional privileges.

29.9 Reduction/withholding of academic credit or grade where permitted by applicable examination/academic regulations and where the misconduct relates to academic dishonesty.



29.10 Interim suspension or temporary restriction from specified classes, activities or campus areas where permitted and considered necessary.

29.11 Suspension for a specified period.

29.12 Dismissal/termination of student status in accordance with applicable University regulations.

29.13 Reporting to appropriate statutory or law-enforcement authorities where required by law.

30. Appeal

30.1 A student aggrieved by a disciplinary decision may submit an appeal to the designated appellate authority in accordance with the applicable University regulations.

30.2 The appeal shall be submitted within the prescribed period and in the prescribed form.

30.3 The appellate authority may confirm, modify or otherwise deal with the disciplinary decision in accordance with University regulations.

30.4 The decision of the competent authority shall be final, subject to any applicable statutory or University appeal provisions.

31. Compliance with Laws and Regulatory Requirements

31.1 All students shall comply with the laws of India and applicable rules, regulations, notifications and guidelines issued by competent statutory, regulatory, affiliating and University authorities.

31.2 Where student conduct constitutes an offence under applicable law, the University may take appropriate action and may refer the matter to the competent authority wherever required.

31.3 University disciplinary proceedings may operate independently of proceedings under applicable law, subject to the applicable legal and regulatory framework.

32. Professional and Ethical Conduct

Students enrolled in professional programmes shall additionally comply with the ethical and professional standards applicable to their respective disciplines.

This includes, wherever applicable:

- professional dress and behaviour;
- confidentiality and privacy;
- patient/client/student safety;
- ethical research;
- responsible use of professional facilities;
- appropriate conduct during clinical postings, internships and fieldwork;
- respect for professional supervisors and colleagues; and
- compliance with professional councils and statutory bodies.

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33. Interpretation

33.1 Any question concerning the interpretation or application of this Code shall be referred to the competent authority of the University.

33.2 In case of conflict between this Code and any statutory/regulatory requirement, the applicable statutory or regulatory requirement shall prevail.

33.3 Programme-specific rules may impose additional requirements where necessary because of the nature of the programme, professional standards or safety considerations.

34. Amendments

34.1 P K DAS Deemed to be University reserves the right to amend, modify, add to or withdraw provisions of this Code whenever necessary.

34.2 Amendments shall be made in accordance with applicable laws, statutory requirements, regulatory requirements and institutional policies.

34.3 Students shall be responsible for complying with the Code and amendments in force from time to time.

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Registrar

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Vice Chancellor