



THE UNIVERSITY of MISSISSIPPI

SCHOOL OF LAW

CLEO Summer Institute Code of Conduct* Summer 2014

The purpose of the Council for Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO) Summer Institute Code of Conduct is to encourage professional and academic integrity at the University of Mississippi School of Law. Integrity itself maintains the legal profession. The nature and purpose of the Law School's CLEO Summer Institute Code of Conduct is to allow the participants the greatest possible freedom in the pursuit of their studies without the necessity of supervision or proctoring by the faculty or staff. It further purports to develop the highest possible professional standards of honesty, dependability and absolute integrity in the participant body in all matters pertaining to the law and to legal studies.

Enrollment in the University of Mississippi Law School's CLEO Summer Institute constitutes a participant's pledge that he or she will in all matters conduct himself or herself in accordance with the requirements herein stated. Some of our code of conduct stems from the requirements of city, state, and federal laws; others from our emphasis on safety, honesty, civility, and consideration for the rights of others. As a member of the CLEO Summer Institute community, you will be expected to behave in a professional and responsible manner always, both on and off campus, and to be courteous and respectful of your fellow participants and of members of the faculty and staff even when there is no specific rule requiring that behavior. You should decide to participate in the CLEO Summer Institute only if you are committed to maintaining the highest academic and social standards.

The following rules and regulations apply both on and off campus and will be strictly enforced. Participants found in violation of these rules anywhere will be disciplined and may be sent home from the CLEO Summer Institute. The CLEO Institute Director, Admissions Administrator, and the Executive Director will determine disciplinary actions and sanctions to be administered. Any participant who is dismissed because of violations of the Code of Conduct will be withdrawn from their courses and removed from the Residential College South. The participant will also have a letter of non-completion of program placed in their CLEO permanent file. The School of Law takes the Code of Conduct seriously. Our intention is to help participants understand how their behavior may be problematic to themselves and/or other members of the community and to decrease the number of participants who find themselves involved in the disciplinary process.

Creed of the University of Mississippi

The University of Mississippi is a community of learning dedicated to nurturing excellence in intellectual inquiry and personal character in an open and diverse environment.

As a voluntary member of this community:

- I believe in respect for the dignity of each person
- I believe in fairness and civility
- I believe in personal and professional integrity
- I believe in academic honesty
- I believe in academic freedom
- I believe in good stewardship of our resources
- I pledge to uphold these values and encourage others to follow my example.



Academic and Conduct Rules and General Regulations:

Some specific requirements are:

- Participants are expected to attend regularly and punctually all courses in which they are enrolled. Participants must demonstrate proper respect and courtesy in the classroom and in any mandatory study session. A participant who neglects course work, is inadequately prepared, or disrupts a course with any inappropriate behavior may be dismissed from the program.
- Participants may not engage in plagiarism, cheating, or any other form of academic dishonesty.
- Participants must abide by all applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- Harassment of any form of anyone is unacceptable at CLEO Summer Institute.
- Participants may not attempt to interfere with the normal functioning of the University computer system. Use of an electronic mail system to send fraudulent, annoying, or obscene messages is prohibited, as is infringement of copyright law.
- Any consumption, possession, or being in the presence of alcohol or illegal drugs in the Residential College South (RCS) is grounds for immediate dismissal, as is possession or use of drug paraphernalia, firearms, other weapons, or fireworks. Any conduct off campus reported to the School of Law is also grounds for dismissal; those actions may include, but are not limited to DUI or arrest.

Participants must also observe the following regulations with regard to behavior in the CLEO Institute:

- Hosts are responsible for the behavior of their guests and are subject to disciplinary sanctions for their guest's conduct. Overnight guest forms may be obtained from the participant's Head Resident or the administrative aid in the RCS office. Participants are responsible for the actions of their guests.
- The RCS is your home for the summer, and as such, you should treat it like you would were you home. Horseplay, sports, and other shenanigans will not be tolerated in the residence hall and will result in disciplinary action.
- Participants are expected to respect the residence life staff at the RCS as well as any other camp or conference that will be housed at the RCS - especially in regards to quiet hours.
- Participants are more than welcome to leave on the weekend, but for the safety and security of each participant should check out with their Resident Assistant before leaving town.
- Participants are expected to treat their rooms and common areas with respect and will be billed for any and all damages they or their guests incur.
- Participants should request permission from their instructor(s) before bringing a guest to any of their classes.
- The University of Mississippi is a smoke-free campus and participants are expected be aware of that policy and the fine(s) associated with a violation.

We further understand that failure to abide by these rules, or to respect the authority of program staff members in their enforcement may result in sanctions including, but not limited to:

- Limitations on activities or opportunities
- Restitution for property damage, and
- Possible dismissal from the program.

Your participation in the CLEO Summer Institute is a privilege and is up to the discretion of the Administration of CLEO and the University of Mississippi.

“By signing this agreement, I agree to uphold these rules and regulations. I will present myself in a professional manner and show respect for myself, other fellow CLEO Participants, CLEO Administration, and the faculty and staff at the University of Mississippi School of Law.”

Participant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

