



**STUDENT HANDBOOK  
2021-22**



**Generally, the integration of faith, learning and living** — developing the whole person through a commitment to Christ and to the Bible as the Word of God, an emphasis on lifelong intellectual growth, and the encouragement of Christian service and world missions through a servant-leadership lifestyle. **Specifically, the development of Christian scholarship** — while acknowledging dependence on

God, stressing Christian excellence through a and effective professional



commitment to intellectual strong liberal arts foundation preparation. **The promotion**

**of Christian ethics** —

creating an atmosphere that

emphasizes integrity and purity of thought and action. **The development of lasting relationships** — fostering personal and social relationships through interaction among faculty, staff and students; and stressing a lifelong commitment to marriage and the Christian family. **The promotion of wellness** — emphasizing that the body is the temple of the Holy Spirit and that lifetime health habits contribute to a better quality of life. **The promotion of citizenship within a global perspective** — developing a Christian understanding of and respect for other cultures through an emphasis on liberty and justice.

## **A note from the president**

Welcome to campus! We are so glad you are here.

This student handbook contains important information on a wide range of topics. All of these details are anchored in the following words found in our mission statement: “We are, at our core, a Christian university. The character, example and concerns of Jesus Christ are the standards that shape us and chart the course for our future ... For many years it has been our motto that Harding University integrates and celebrates ‘faith, learning, and living.’ The Christian world view is to be at the core of every academic discipline and every extracurricular activity on campus.”

We hope that you will be able to join the many thousands who enthusiastically agree that “it’s great to be at Harding,” and we pray that you have an incredible Harding experience.

— Dr. David B. Burks, president





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## **A MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT LIFE/DEAN OF STUDENTS**

Welcome to Harding University! We are so glad you have chosen to earn your degree from this excellent institution. Harding is unique by design and is a distinctly Christian university. Harding is a wonderful place where you can learn the skills for a happy and successful life. Harding's mission is to provide a quality education that will lead to an understanding and philosophy of life consistent with Christian ideals.

This handbook is designed to help you prepare for a lifetime of Christian growth and living. Upon registering, you agree to abide by the high expectations and policies of Harding University. It is beneficial to become familiar with the information contained within this handbook — the policies, procedures and inherent consequences of violation of the expectations set forth.

The Office of Student Life is here to serve and support you as you develop socially, academically, emotionally and spiritually. Please feel free to contact me or any of the Student Life staff if we may be of assistance.

— Zachary Neal



**“But the fruit of the spirit  
is love, joy, peace, patience,  
kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  
gentleness and self-control.”**

Galatians 5:22-23

**Harding is a private, Christian liberal arts university that teaches the inspiration of the Scriptures and strives to follow Christ and all he taught. Students are encouraged to live up to the high expectations and policies set forth in this handbook as they are designed for optimum development of social, academic, physical, emotional and spiritual potential.**

Students and faculty are encouraged to develop a **servant-leadership-ministry lifestyle**. Good citizenship exemplifies the integration of faith, learning and living. (section 1)

**Spiritual growth is encouraged**, and regular attendance at church services is expected. Attendance for chapel and Bible classes is required for all students. (section 2)

Students are expected to be men and women who **pursue honesty and integrity**. Lying, cheating, stealing or any form of dishonesty must be avoided. (section 3)

**Social wellness** is stressed, and students in the Christian university environment must exclude all forms of sexual immorality, pornography and profanity from their activities. (section 4)

**Personal wellness** is stressed, and students must abstain completely from the use of illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco in any form. (section 5)

Students are expected to **dress modestly and appropriately** at all times. (section 7)

**Sportsmanship and fair play** are expected for both spectators and participants in all extracurricular activities. (section 8)

Students are **encouraged to participate** in the service, academic and nonfraternity social clubs that give them an opportunity to reflect in a small organization the mission of the University, both socially and spiritually. (section 9)

Resident students are expected to abide by a positive residence hall code designed to **encourage Christian living**. (section 10)

Students are expected to **serve others** as this is the true test of success for any person or organization. (section 11)



Harding provides a Christian environment in which spiritual growth is central. In addition to the promotion of scholarly pursuits, the University endeavors to instill within each student a deeper spiritual quality that, coupled with academic growth, enables the student to build a blessed and useful life. All members of Harding's administration and faculty are dedicated to building Christian character and responsibility within each student.

Harding University is built with Christ as its chief cornerstone. It provides a setting in which Christian training and participation are encouraged. Attendance at chapel and in Bible classes is required, and many other opportunities for spiritual growth are provided.

## RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS

1. **Bible Lectureship:** The annual Lectureship is conducted in the fall semester and centers on a biblical theme. Numerous speakers from both on-campus and off-campus participate in the program.
2. **Spring Break Missions:** The Mitchell Center for Leadership and Ministry organizes short-term mission trips during spring break. Most of the trips during spring break are student-led and include both domestic and international locations. These trips are available for all interested students

and are thoroughly planned and sanctioned by the University. The purpose of spring break mission opportunities is to encourage kingdom expansion. For more information, contact the Mitchell Center for Leadership and Ministry at 501-279-4660 or stop by the office in McInteer 168.

3. **Global Outreach (GO!):** Both domestic and foreign campaigns provide opportunities for student ministry during the summer months. Recent campaign groups have gone to Africa, Asia, Australia, Oceania,

**“Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave - just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:26-28**



Europe and South America, as well as the northeastern, northwestern and southeastern parts of the United States. These campaigns encourage mission growth.

4. **Internship Program:** The internship program is a facet of Global Outreach and the Center for World Missions. This program allows students to work under the direction of missionaries in several foreign countries.
5. **OutReach America:** This program comprises a fellowship of students and advisers interested in domestic church planting and in going to live in areas where the church is weak.
6. **All-Mission Fellowships:** Groups including Latin American Fellowship, African Mission Fellowship, European Vision and others meet regularly to cultivate student interest in missions and to prepare students for mission activities.
7. **Youth Seminar:** A special seminar in youth ministry is offered each semester, and one hour of credit may be earned.



# SECTION 2



## SPIRITUAL GROWTH

### DEVOTIONALS

Periodic devotionals beside the Kenneth Davis Lily Pool, in the amphitheater and at other locations enable one to become more aware of the wonders of God's creation. Christian fellowship and worship are stressed in devotionals held in the various residence halls.

### CHURCH SERVICES

To aid spiritual growth and assist in the development of Christian character, students are expected to attend Sunday services and Wednesday evening services of a local congregation. The following is a partial list of congregations located in and around Searcy.

Airport Loop Church of Christ,  
1100 Airport Loop

Bethel Grove Church of Christ,  
2956 Hwy 157 N., Judsonia, 501-  
940-8655

Cloverdale Church of Christ,  
3000 E. Park Ave., 501-268-4553

College Church of Christ,  
712 E. Race Ave., 501-268-7156

Downtown Church of Christ,  
900 N. Main St., 501-268-5383

Downtown Church of Christ  
(Judsonia), 392 Jackson,  
Judsonia, 501-729-3004

Foothills Church of Christ,  
95 Central Ave., 501-305-4244

Four Mile Hill Church of Christ,  
2516 Highway 16 N., 210-607-  
5562

Highway Church of Christ,  
128 Highway Church Road,  
Judsonia, 501-729-5094

Holly Springs Church of Christ,  
1034 Fairview Rd., 501-268-6081

Pine View Church of Christ,  
372 Dewey Rd. (Hwy 305),  
Pangburn, 501-728-4685 or 501-  
728-4709

West Pleasure Church of Christ,  
1309 W. Pleasure Ave., 501-268-  
7747

West Side Church of Christ,  
709 W. Arch St., 501-268-2951

**“Let us hold  
unswervingly to the  
hope we profess, for he  
who promised is faithful.  
And let us consider  
how we may spur one  
another on toward love  
and good deeds. Let us  
not give up meeting  
together, as some are in  
the habit of doing, but  
let us encourage one  
another ... and all the  
more as you see the  
day approaching.”  
Hebrews 10:23-25**

## **CHAPEL**

Chapel is important to the basic purpose of Harding University. Our reason for existence is the integration of faith, learning and living. Our major objective is that all students grow spiritually while attending this University.

### **CHAPEL ATTENDANCE**

The University specifies that daily chapel service be held with attendance mandatory for undergraduate students who are under the age of 25 and taking nine or more credit hours a semester. Students living in a residence hall, including privileged housing, must attend chapel. Services last 35 minutes and always include a devotional period and announcements of general interest. The planned programs are designed to stimulate intellectual, religious, social or aesthetic development.

Chapel is under the direction of the president of the University. A Chapel Program Committee plans and recommends programs for the approval of the president. Many programs are presented by students and student organizations.

In addition to the spiritual emphasis and the varied programs, chapel provides a unifying experience for the entire student body and faculty. Camaraderie and Christian fellowship are special parts of student life at Harding.

The University is committed to a continuing analysis and evaluation of chapel to make it a worthwhile experience. Appropriate attitudes and behaviors for the foundation of the chapel experience are expected.

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### **CHAPEL ETIQUETTE**

Chapel meets at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday.

1. Be on time.
2. Students who are tardy will need to check with the appropriate chapel checker before walking quietly to their seat.
3. Students who are more than 10 minutes late will be counted absent.
4. Students are allowed 15 absences per semester. These absences include personal, health or emergency needs. Additional absences due to a chronic condition require documentation filed with the Office of Disability Services and Educational Access. Any absences beyond the allowed 15 are considered unexcused unless approved by a Student Life dean.

5. Sitting in someone else's seat is not allowed. Students must sit in their assigned seat or they will be counted absent.
6. No food or drink is permitted in the auditorium.
7. Men are required to remove caps during chapel.
8. Laptops, tablets, cell phones and headphones may not be used during chapel.
9. Appropriate respect for speakers and others is expected.

To assist your success in chapel, please give special attention to the following items:

- **Chapel Attendance:** Attendance is checked daily. Failure to attend is recorded and posted daily on Pipeline. Tardies and excused absences are also recorded. Three tardies equal one absence. Each student should check Pipeline periodically in order to ensure an accurate record.
- **Chapel Announcements:** Students who are absent from chapel must check chapel announcements online. As with academic classes, students are responsible for the informational content of missed announcements.
- **Chapel Excuses:** Students are to notify a Student Life dean within seven days of

any absence that is out of the reasonable control of the student (i.e., death in the immediate family or representation of the University).

- **Permanent Excuse:** A student who has a work schedule that conflicts with chapel on given days should make application for a permanent chapel excuse in the Office of Student Life. This must be done on per-semester basis. No student may be excused from chapel every day.

### **NOTIFICATION FOR EXCESSIVE CHAPEL ABSENCES**

As attendance is recorded in the Office of Student Life each day, the attendance record is automatically recorded on Pipeline. In this way, the student's record is available for daily review. The attendance record will not only record attendance and tardies, but also present warning signals on the student's Harding email account at certain intervals to help the student in making decisions about attendance throughout the semester.

Courtesy warning (within two of the allotted remaining chapel absences): This reminder informs the student that he or she has only two remaining chapel absences allowed for the semester. If the student feels there is a mistake, this should be cleared with the Office of Student Life as soon as possible.

Warning (upon reaching the maximum allotted chapel absences): This is a reminder that the student has missed the maximum number of chapel absences for the semester. If the student feels there is a mistake, this should be cleared with the Office of Student Life. Any further absences will result in chapel disciplinary action.

Warning (after exceeding the maximum allotted absences): This serves as a notification that the student has exceeded the maximum number of chapel absences for the semester. If the student feels there is a mistake, this should be cleared with the Office of Student Life.

Warning (after excessive chapel absences): This serves as notification that the student will be on chapel probation. It also serves as a reminder that any further chapel absences may result in the student's academic status being reduced to a part-time student (eight hours or less).

### **CHAPEL DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

The accumulation of more than 15 absences may include one or more of the following disciplinary actions:

1. A decreased number of allowed absences for the next semester.
2. Chapel probation: The number of allowed absences for the next semester is decreased, and the student is not allowed to apply for/



participate in International Programs, apply for/live in privileged housing, or be an active member of a social club.

3. Part-time student status: Student required to enroll in no more than eight hours the next semester.

### **CHAPEL APPEALS PROCESS**

When a student has been disciplined for excessive chapel absences by one of the Student Life deans, the student may appeal this decision to the Chapel Attendance Committee. This committee is composed of several faculty members and two student representatives who will hear the case and make a decision based on the information presented. The request for appeal shall be filed through the Office of the Assistant Vice President for Student Life who in turn will arrange the meeting with the Chapel Attendance Committee.

### **BIBLE CLASSES**

Knowledge of the Bible is one of the most important aspects of the development of Christian character. The mission of the College of Bible and Ministry is to equip Harding students to know, live and share God's word and to understand, love and serve God's world. To Harding University, the Bible is the heart of the curriculum. These classes are designed to foster students' spiritual development. Harding firmly believes that the application of the principles found in the Bible will enable students to lead godly lives that are truly blessed.

For these reasons, Harding requires each student enrolled in nine or more hours to regularly attend one Bible class that meets at least three hours a week each fall/spring semester. Attendance is mandatory, and nonattendance may result in suspension from the University. Please see the University catalog for a more detailed description of the Bible policies.

### **BIBLE CLASS ATTENDANCE**

The required Bible class cannot be dropped regardless of the grade being earned. A student who has excessive absences in Bible will be placed on Bible attendance probation and will be required to sign a Bible attendance contract in the Provost



Office prior to registering for the next semester. The student will also lose the privilege of priority registration; however, if the student has already registered before being placed on probation, he or she will not be able to register during the next priority registration. A student who has excessive absences in Bible in more than one semester will be suspended from the University.



# SECTION 3

## HONESTY AND INTEGRITY

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of morality, integrity, orderliness and personal honor. A responsibility of those in the University community is to follow established rules and guidelines in order for the community to function more effectively. Harding University views each person as an individual with certain responsibilities to the University community and reserves the right to refuse admittance or dismiss any student whose lifestyle is not consistent with the Christian principles that Harding represents.

**Harding University considers the following to be in conflict with its mission and therefore prohibited – participation in these will result in disciplinary action:**

1. **Dishonesty** in any form including academic misconduct as outlined in the academic integrity policy in the catalog; falsification of excuses; forgery; signing out of the residence hall falsely; and lying to University officials
2. **Display of an attitude** that is contrary to the Christian purpose for which Harding exists
3. **Theft** of someone else's property: The sale of someone else's property without his or her permission will be dealt with as theft. **Theft would also include illegally sharing digital files such as music, video, movies, documents and images.** Students violating copyright laws will be reported to the Office of Student Life where disciplinary action may be taken including , but not limited to, loss of network usage.
4. **Unauthorized entry** into University facilities, **unauthorized access** of University rooftops, or **unauthorized possession** of keys to University facilities
5. The **illegal, unauthorized use** or **abuse** of Harding University's **telephone, computer** or **network system** is prohibited. For more information, see section 13 under Acceptable Use of Harding University's Information Systems & Technology.
6. **Misuse of electronic devices:** Electronic devices (e.g., cell phones, PCs, tablets, game consoles, etc.) shall not be used in a manner that causes disruption in the

classroom, library, chapel, or within any college-owned or college-operated facility. Use of devices for purposes of capturing images of test questions or other notes and materials is not allowed without the permission of the professor. Abuse of any electronic devices with image capture capabilities is a violation of academic integrity and will not be tolerated. Capturing images of individuals in secured areas such as bathrooms, locker rooms and other areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy is strictly prohibited.

7. Entering **false fire alarms** or **bomb threats** or **tampering** with other fire safety equipment
8. **Destruction, misuse, damage** or **deliberate defacing** of University, city, county, state or personal **property**
9. **Harassment** in any form including sexual harassment
10. **Threatening harm** to others
11. **Hazing** of any kind
12. **Assault** or **battery**
13. **Gambling** or **wagering** on or off campus
14. **Possession** and/or **use of any firearm/weapon** or **replica of a firearm/weapon on campus**. Firearms/weapons include guns, paintball guns, pellet/BB guns, airsoft guns, archery equipment, extraordinary knives, swords, slingshots, launching devices, and any other object that could cause bodily harm. Any firearm/weapon brought to campus (with the exception of handguns, which are not allowed) must be stored in the Office of Public Safety - located in the Kendall Building.
15. **Use of fireworks** on campus
16. **Operation of a drone** on campus
17. **Insubordination**, including failure to respond, to any school official
18. **Any violation of federal, state or local laws**

**“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress.”**

1 Timothy 4:12, 15



# SECTION 4



Harding University holds to the biblical principle that God instituted marriage as a relationship between one man and one woman and that gender identity is given by God and revealed in one's birth sex. Students are prohibited from being married to or dating a person of the same sex. Neither may students engage in behavior suggesting a romantic relationship with a person of the same sex. The University further holds to the biblical principle that sexual relationships outside the context of marriage are unacceptable to God and immoral. **Sexual immorality in any form will result in suspension from the University.**

Visiting in the residence of a single member of the opposite sex, even though others are present, without permission from a student life dean, is prohibited. **Staying overnight in a residence, motel, hotel, or any such arrangement with a member of the opposite sex, without permission from a student life dean, will result in suspension, although explicit sexual immorality may not have been observed.**

Men and women are discouraged from excessive public displays of affection.

Students are not to visit inappropriate places of entertainment such as dance clubs or bars. Students are not allowed to participate in suggestive social dancing. The University does not host social dances.

Students are prohibited from possessing or displaying pornographic materials of any type. The use of vulgarity, profanity and similarly offensive language or offensive symbols will not be tolerated. Racist language and behaviors are strictly prohibited.



## **ALCOHOL/DRUGS**

As a Christian university community, we will attempt to take an approach to problems with alcohol or drug use characterized by compassion and encouragement, without prejudice on the one hand, and with directness, consistency and firmness on the other.

**The consumption, possession or storage of alcoholic beverages of any kind is prohibited. This prohibition includes on-campus or off-campus locations. Violation of this policy will result in suspension from the University.**

**Students who voluntarily come to a Student Life dean confessing an involvement with alcohol will be afforded an opportunity to submit to a range of possibilities up to but not including suspension or expulsion.** Such agreements will only be reached when the student takes the first step in initiating discussion and there has been no involvement by the Office of Student Life, Harding University Public Safety or law enforcement. Once a violation of the alcohol policy has been reported to the Office of Student Life, Harding University Public Safety or law enforcement, those involved will no longer have the opportunity for the agreement, and the violation will result in suspension.

**Harding forbids the use, possession, distribution, or sale of drugs or drug-related paraphernalia. Violation of this policy will result in suspension.**

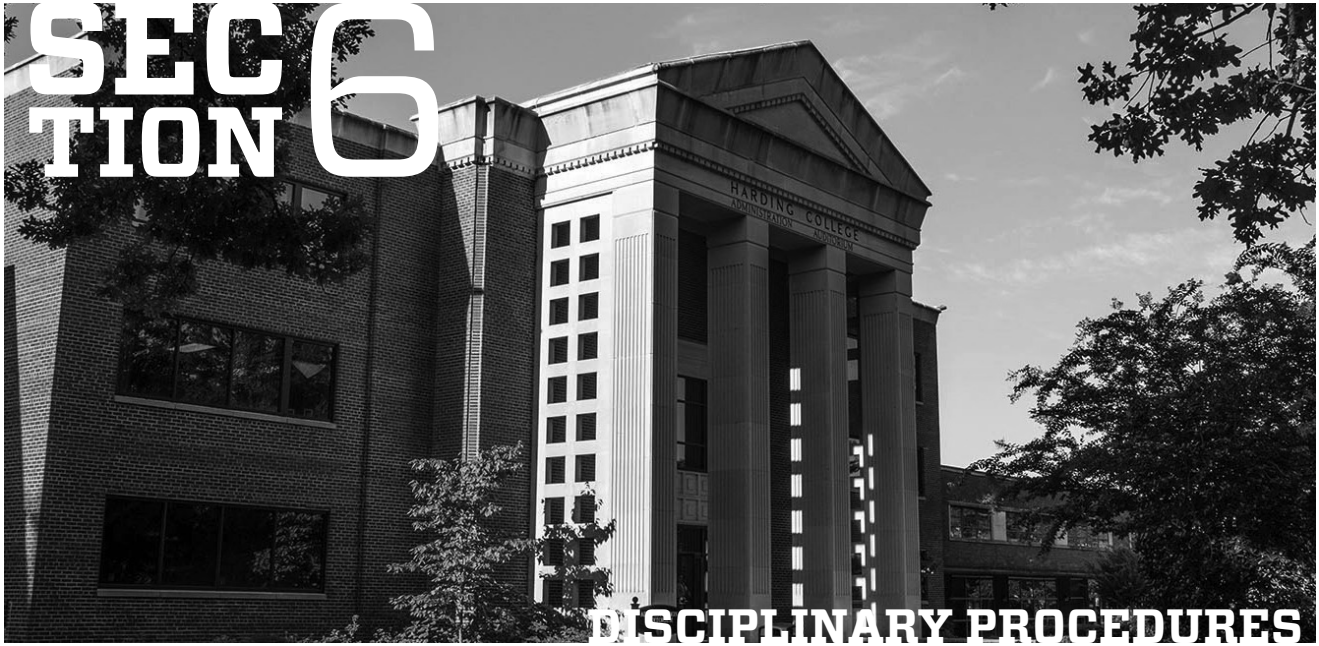
The University has a right to require a student to immediately participate in a polygraph test, drug test (blood, urine or hair follicle) or breath test.

## **TOBACCO**

The use of tobacco in any form is not permitted at any time. The use of electronic cigarettes or vaporizers (with or without tobacco) is not allowed.

For more information, see Section 13.





The following disciplinary procedures do not apply to instances of academic misconduct. Academic misconduct is covered in the Harding University Catalog.

When it appears a rule of conduct or procedure, in the case of an individual or organization, has been broken, the Office of the Assistant Vice President/Dean of Students shall conduct an investigation. If, as a result of the investigation, it is determined that disciplinary procedures are warranted, the student or organization will be asked to appear before this staff. After the meeting, the student or organization will be informed in writing of the specific charge(s) being made, the penalty imposed, and the right to an appeal before the Student Life Committee.

**APPEAL**

1. A student or organization shall have 24 hours to file a written request for an appeal with the Office of Student Life or forfeit that right.
2. An appeal will be scheduled before the Student Life Committee no sooner than the day following the receipt of the request. A quorum for the committee shall consist of six or more members.
3. Students who do not appear within 15 minutes of the scheduled appeal will forfeit their right to appeal.
4. The appeal will be conducted in a fair and reasonable manner.
5. The appeal will be audio recorded.
6. The appeal will be open to the appealing party and representatives of the Office of Student Life. Only two witnesses, with relevant evidence to present, may testify from each side, and neither legal counsel, guardian nor parents of the accused shall be permitted to appear before this committee.
7. Presentation of evidence shall be as follows:
  - A. Evidence that supports the decision made by the Office of Student Life
  - B. Evidence of innocence or mitigation by the appealing party



- C. Rebuttal evidence by both parties
- D. Closing statements by both parties
- 8. Both parties shall have reasonable opportunity for cross-examination of witnesses.
- 9. Following the appeal, the Student Life Committee, by a majority vote, will decide on the case. The student or organization will be notified of the decision. The decision of the Student Life Committee will be final.
- 10. The Student Life deans or the committee may set the terms and conditions of suspension and readmission.
- 11. A student who has been suspended may not be on campus unless specific permission is granted by the Student Life deans. If campus housing is used, the residence life coordinator must be notified in advance by the deans.

### **DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS**

Any or all of the following can be imposed for a given infraction.

- 1. Warning: a written or verbal reprimand.
- 2. Disciplinary Probation: probation for a specified period of time. It may carry with it other conditions to be met (e.g., restriction of participation in extracurricular activities, restriction from holding student office or joining student organizations, etc.).
- 3. Special Action: designed to enhance the educational intent of the disciplinary process. Examples include: change in University housing and restriction of residential privileges, payment of damages, extracurricular activity restrictions, community service, educational sanctions and counseling referrals.
- 4. Suspension: a bar from attending the University for a specific period of time. It carries with it the following conditions:
  - A. Must remain off campus during the period of suspension.
  - B. May not live or board in University facilities.
- 5. Expulsion: a permanent bar from attending the University.

**IMPORTANT DEFINITION:**  
 “Harding student” is defined as any person who has registered for courses at the University, even though such person is not, at the time of the incident, attending classes. Therefore, any student who has registered for classes but who has not actually attended classes, or is away for holidays or between semesters, or who is living away from the Harding campus in the summer is still considered to be a Harding student and subject to the rules and regulations of Harding University.

**“For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light, and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life.”**  
 Proverbs 6:23

# SECTION 7



## MODEST AND APPROPRIATE DRESS

All members of the Harding community must dress with modesty and decency appropriate to the Christian lifestyle and consistent with professional employment standards. For these reasons, students are expected to adhere to a dress code which faculty, staff, and administration will enforce. Certain academic or extracurricular programs might have additional standards of dress.

1. Clothing must be neat and clean.
2. Shorts must be mid-thigh or longer.
3. Shirts and shoes must be worn on campus at all times.
4. When wearing form-fitting attire (such as leggings), students must wear a top that is mid-thigh or longer.
5. Women's tops must have at least 2-inch shoulder straps and must not reveal cleavage or midriff. Skirts and dresses must have hemlines that are mid-thigh or longer and slits not higher than mid-thigh. Banquet dresses may be strapless, but the back must not extend below the natural bra line.
6. Men's tank tops are limited to athletic participation and must not reveal the chest and sides.
7. Undergarments must not be visible. Sleepwear must not be worn as outerwear.
8. Clothing that displays material or conveys a message inconsistent with the mission of the University is prohibited.
9. Hair must be neat, clean and free of extreme styles.
10. Piercing is limited to the wearing of earrings and a small nose or eyebrow stud or ring.







### **EXTRACURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES**

Harding University's first priority for its students is to provide an environment that will help the students succeed both spiritually and academically. However, there is much more to college life than just classes, homework, exams and grades. There are student organizations, student government, special events, athletic programs, social and recreational events and dormitory living that help to make Harding's environment unique.

Through these extra activities, students develop into leaders; learn communication skills; interact with peers, administrators and faculty members; increase their awareness of available campus resources; and further their overall development as students at Harding.

**"If anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the rules."**

**2 Timothy 2:5**

### **STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

The variety of extracurricular activities ranges from social clubs and concerts to sports and special-interest groups. Concerts include classical and popular genres. Student drama and entertainment productions also are available. Student publications include The Bison campus newspaper and the Petit Jean yearbook. Special-interest organizations are listed on the Harding website at [harding.edu/student-life/organizations](http://harding.edu/student-life/organizations).

## ATHLETICS

Harding is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II and Great American Conference and competes in men's intercollegiate football, basketball, track, cross country, tennis, golf, baseball and soccer.

Women's intercollegiate competition is offered in cross country, volleyball, basketball, track, tennis, soccer, golf and softball.

Students interested in participating in intercollegiate sports are urged to contact the coaches at any time for information and advice.

The University also maintains an intensive and excellent intramural athletic program for both men and women. This program includes activity in football, softball, basketball, tennis, volleyball, horseshoes, badminton, track-and-field events, ping-pong and swimming. Both clubs and individuals participate in intramural sports. More detailed information is listed in the University catalog.

## CHEERLEADERS

Cheerleaders are chosen near the end of the spring semester. The requirements below must be met in order to be eligible for participation as a cheerleader:

1. Must be in good academic standing with the University.
2. Must be a full-time student (12 hours or more) while cheering.
3. May not try out or be active if on any type of probation.
4. Once tryouts are complete, the sponsor and athletic department will confirm with the appropriate assistant dean of students to verify the eligibility of each cheerleader based on the criteria above. If someone is deemed not eligible at that point, the sponsor and athletic department will fill that place with one of the alternates from the tryouts.







**“Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.”**

Romans 12:4-5

## STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

At Harding, students have the option of participating in more than 80 different organizations. These can be classified as follows:

- **Academic:** Open to those who qualify and are selected for recognition of achievement
- **Departmental:** To foster a deeper interest in the given area
- **Religious:** Oriented to Christian service both on-campus and off-campus and to missionary endeavors, both foreign and domestic
- **Service:** For benefit to the campus environment and the surrounding Searcy/White County area
- **Social:** To promote social interaction,

campus involvement and community service through a common brother/sister bond

Some select student organizations include:

- **Alpha Chi:** A national academic society encouraging and recognizing superior scholarship; open by invitation only to the upper ten percent of the junior, senior and graduate classes.
- **Omicron Delta Kappa:** A national honor society recognizing quality leadership achievement.
- **Good News Singers:** Promotes the message of the gospel through song, performing regularly for youth rallies, banquets, church activities and retreats; membership through audition.

- **Theatron:** Presents the message of Jesus through drama to adolescent and young adult audiences with original skits.

## RELIGIOUS GROUPS

Various religious groups on campus provide instruction to those interested in special areas of Christian service:

- **Tabernacle:** Tabernacle is a weekly chapel for senior Bible majors and a monthly chapel for all Bible majors.
- **All Mission Fellowship:** Prepares students for mission activities.
- **Student Association Spiritual Life Committee:** The president of the Student Association nominates a student chairperson from among the SA Senate to the Spiritual Life Committee. This individual's name is then submitted to the Student Association's executive council and the Student Association advisor for approval. This committee focuses on meeting students' spiritual needs on a personal level.
- **Society of Near Eastern Archaeology:** For all students interested in the history and archaeology of the ancient biblical world.
- **Other campaigns:** From time to time other campaigns may be planned by individuals.

## CAMPUS LIFE

The Office of Campus Life is committed to developing positive and inclusive student opportunities and experiences for the Harding community. Campus Life works closely with the University College to assist incoming students through orientation programs designed to aid academic success and shared experiences.

Campus Life is also home to the Campus Activities Board. CAB fulfills the commitment of Campus Life by working through co-curricular collaboration, the creation of campus activities, and the advancement of student belonging. Members of CAB are responsible for developing and coordinating events on campus throughout the year. Stipend positions are available and include

two co-directors and one marketing director.

## STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Association represents the student body to the administration and provides outlets for students to be involved in meaningful activities that support the mission of the University.

The SA Executive Council is made up of four elected officers — president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The SA Senate is made up of a male and female representative for each class and two international representatives. The executive committee and the senate, except the freshman class representatives, are elected in the spring semester for the following year. Freshman class representatives are elected in the fall semester of the year they serve.

The SA also supports no more than 12 standing committees whose chairpersons and members are nominated by the SA president and approved by vote of the Executive Council and the Senate.

## SOCIAL CLUBS

Each student is invited and encouraged to join one of Harding's 29 men's and women's social clubs. Each club holds regular meetings, social events and special programs; participates in intramural sports; and completes at least one service project each year.

The governing body of the social clubs is the Interclub Council (ICC), which functions under the authority of the assistant vice president/dean of students. Each club is represented by its president and vice president.

Social club meetings function under the following:

1. Women's clubs usually meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Men's clubs usually meet the first and third Mondays of each month. The Office of Student Life will notify clubs of any changes.
2. All rooms for club meetings must be scheduled in advance.

3. A detailed handbook concerning social clubs is available online at [harding.edu/socialclubs](http://harding.edu/socialclubs). Each officer and member is responsible for this information.
4. Copies of the social club handbooks are distributed to club presidents and vice presidents each semester.

### **CLUB PARTICIPATION**

All clubs, academic and other, must be approved by the assistant vice president/dean of students or the Provost Office. All organizations must have sponsors approved by the assistant vice president/dean of students. Special-interest clubs must have either a statement of purpose or a constitution which has been approved.

All organizational authority exists for one school year and is automatically extended unless cause is found to request a hearing concerning its function.

Fundraising and dues must be approved by the sponsor and the assistant vice president/dean of students. The University reserves the right to require an accounting of the use of funds and dues by any organization.

Novelty and nostalgia clubs are constituted for only one school year and must request year-by-year approval. Any dues or fundraising must be approved.

### **TABLES FOR SPECIAL CAUSES, VENDING AND OTHER USES**

Table space is available in the Student Center for organizations to provide information to students. All recognized organizations will need to get approval of table space through the Office of Student Life. After approval, the organization will then go through the director of scheduling in the American Studies Institute to reserve a table.

### **FACILITY USAGE**

Recognized student organizations may schedule facilities for activities in advance. Examples of these activities include regular meetings, fundraising projects, receptions, special meetings, parties, banquets, club activities, etc. Spring

Sing rehearsals will be scheduled through the University's Spring Sing director.

### **FEES**

Fees will be assessed for student activities according to the following guidelines:

1. On-campus student groups requiring special services must pay for the cost of labor, lighting, maintenance, etc., as determined by those involved with the special service.
2. All organizations will pay the direct cost for repair of facilities or replacement of equipment resulting from damage during the sponsored activity or during that scheduled time. Cleaning costs also must be paid should any room be left disorganized or dirty following use by the organization.
3. Fee waivers may be obtained for special activities, available through the Office of Student Life. All fees, except for direct cost, will be waived for the Student Activities Committee, the Student Association Movie Committee and Student Association events.

### **FUNDRAISING**

Harding University is blessed with talented, caring and generous students, faculty and staff. In an effort to assure proper accountability of funds, all fundraising projects must be sponsored by a campus organization and approved by the Office of Student Life before any collections can be made.

A "Request for Fundraising" must be filled out at [harding.edu/student-life/fundraising](http://harding.edu/student-life/fundraising) and submitted to the Office of Student Life for approval before the collection. This request includes:

1. The nature of the fundraising effort
2. How the money will be collected
3. Who will collect and count the funds
4. Other pertinent information

After the collection, a "Fundraising Report" that summarizes the event must be submitted to the Office of Student Life.

## **FORMING NONDEPARTMENTAL MUSICAL GROUPS**

A student may wish to form or participate in a band or musical group that is not supported by any department. No group may perform or practice on campus or for any campus organization without recognition by or permission of the Office of Student Life.

In order to be considered for special permission, all nondepartmental musical groups must be recognized by Harding University. No musical group or individual participating in a musical group shall use the name Harding University in representing themselves to the general public.

## **FORMING NEW RECOGNIZED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

A group wishing to be recognized by the University must submit to the Office of Student Life a typed, dated copy of a constitution stating the purposes for which the organization is to be formed, including any affiliation with a national organization. A listing of the students in the charter organization should contain at least eight qualified members and one faculty/staff adviser. The following information is required in the constitution:

1. Name of organization. This name must be approved before the formation of the constitution.
2. A statement of the organization's purposes, goals and activities.
3. A listing of officers by title and functions. Officers must have a 2.3 GPA and not be on any kind of probation.
4. A statement of terms of office and the time and method of election.
5. Membership eligibility requirements should be listed. Membership is limited to enrolled students taking a minimum of six semester hours. Accurate membership records will be maintained and made available to the faculty/staff advisor.
6. Information concerning the frequency of meetings and specifications for a special meeting should be stated. What constitutes a quorum should also be stated.
7. Full-time faculty/staff members are eligible to serve as primary advisors or sponsors. Others may serve with the approval of the Office of Student Life. The role of the advisor will be outlined in the constitution.
8. Financial information concerning membership dues, the collection of funds, the manner of their collection, the distribution and disposition of any funds in the event of dissolution of the organization must be included. There should also be information about what constitutes a fiscal year and who needs to sign a check. All checks must have the signature of at least one sponsor and one officer.
9. Information on standing committees or other special committees must be specified.
10. Provisions for amendments to the constitution must be listed along with what constitutes a majority vote of the organization.
11. Information on the induction process of new members.







## **HOUSING REGULATIONS FOR RESIDENT STUDENTS**

The Student Life staff is committed to improving the quality of life in the residence halls. The residence hall environment should be one in which students may enjoy the appropriate atmosphere for study, for spiritual growth, and for being of service to one another. Residence halls are for single students only. Nontraditional students, 25 years or older, may not live in the residence halls or extended on-campus facilities without permission from the appropriate dean. (See also the Residence Life Handbook.)

### **ROOM RESERVATIONS**

Returning students making room reservations for the fall semester reserve rooms by time slots in the spring semester. New freshmen and transfer students seeking rooms for the fall semester are assigned during the summer. New or former students seeking rooms for the spring semester are assigned prior to the start of the spring semester.

### **UNMARRIED STUDENTS**

Single undergraduate students, under the age of 22, are required to live on campus. Harding University provides on-campus students with adequate housing, a balanced diet, varied entertainment, counseling and guidance, and cultural opportunities. Residential students dropping to eight or fewer semester hours must have approval from the Office of Student Life to remain in a residence hall.

**“Make every effort to live in peace with all men and be holy.”**

Hebrews 12:14

**“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other,  
just as in Christ, God forgave you.”**

Ephesians 4:32

## **PRIVILEGED HOUSING**

When students meet certain criteria, they may choose to apply for privileged housing, which includes some Legacy Park Apartments (for women) and Cone Hall (for men). No student who is currently on probation may apply. Anyone previously approved who later incurs probation will have that approval status retracted.

Eligibility requirements are provided in the Residence Life Handbook. Forms are available online. Residents of privileged housing must reapply each spring for the fall semester. A student who withdraws from school and later readmits must reapply.

## **OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING**

Students meeting the following criteria may be considered for off-campus housing:

1. 22 years of age or older
2. Ninth-semester student (or 120 semester hours completed)
3. 21 years old with 105 semester hours completed
4. Graduate student
5. Part-time student (enrolled in eight semester hours or fewer in fall or spring) \*If a student plans to concurrently enroll in additional classes at another university, the Provost Office must approve the courses in advance. Concurrent enrollment is defined as online, correspondence

or on-site classes.

6. Live with a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle or qualified sibling
7. Live with faculty/staff or in approved housing
8. \*Senior field placement/ internship in major area of study. In order to be approved, these three qualifications must be met:
  - A. Must be taken for credit
  - B. Must be approved and supervised by faculty
  - C. Must require a student to travel more than one hour from campus
9. \*This must be approved prior to registration.

When one of the above qualifications is met, approval of the Office of Student Life is still required before permission to live off campus is granted.

## **HOUSING APPEALS COMMITTEE**

When a student's request to live off campus is denied by the Office of Student Life, a student may appeal this decision. The Housing Appeals Committee is designed to hear the student's request and make the final decision. The request for an appeal must be made in writing to the assistant vice president/ dean of students within 24 hours. The decision of the Housing Appeals Committee is final.

## **RESIDENCE HALLS**

The residence halls function under the Office of Student Life with assistance from residence life coordinators and resident assistants. The RLCs and RAs are responsible for the day-to-day operation and administration. Residence hall regulations are simple, reasonable and effective, providing a pleasant and harmonious environment for our students. (See also the Residence Life Handbook.)

## **RESIDENTIAL CURFEW**

Residential curfew on the Harding University campus is from midnight until 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and 1 a.m. until 5 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Additional information regarding residential curfew may be found in the Residence Life Handbook.

## **ALL-CAMPUS CURFEW**

All-campus curfew is from 12:15 a.m. until 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and 1:15 a.m. until 5 a.m. Friday and Saturday. No activity may take place on campus during all-campus curfew for protection and security of the campus. Any person needing to come on campus during all-campus curfew must check with the Office of Public Safety.



### **BISONS FOR CHRIST**

The Bisons for Christ ministry dedicates one day per semester to serving the community of Searcy and surrounding White County. Approximately 1,000 students, faculty and staff members participate in the annual event.

### **HARDING IN ACTION**

Harding in Action is a student-led organization that reaches out to the community through various acts of service. Harding in Action performs yardwork, child care, elderly visitation, painting, moving services, etc. Requests for help come to the Student Association, which organizes and assigns student volunteers to complete various requested projects.

**“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.”**

Colossians 3:23-24



# SECTION 12



Students at Harding University are encouraged to look for ways to serve others. At the same time, students will encounter the many services the University strives to provide.

Some of these services include the following:

## **STUDENT CENTER**

The Hammon Student Center is the hub of Harding University. In this building you will find a variety of services: U.S. Post Office and campus mail room; a food court featuring Chick-fil-A and Panda Express; and a student lounge area for meeting friends and just hanging out by the big-screen TV or around the fireplace, where you can enjoy Einstein Bros. Bagels and Tu Taco. Also in the Student Center are the Harding University Bookstore (HUB); Harding University POD Market; Office of Student Life, which also houses the lost and found; University College; Student Association Office; Shores Chapel; and bulletin boards where notices are posted about various campus activities.

## **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

The mission of the University College is to promote the success of all students by providing academic programs and support services that advance achievement and personal development within a Christian worldview. The academic programs

and services led by credentialed and professional faculty and staff include the University Studies department, Integrative Studies major, Academic Resource Center, First Year Experience, and Career Center. The University College also houses English as a second language, as well as the McNair Scholars and Upward Bound Federal TRIO programs. As is the case with Harding University's eight colleges, all academic programs and services are included in the cost of tuition and fees. The central office for the University College is located on the second floor of the Student Center in room 236. Please contact 501-279-4531 for more information.

## **UNIVERSITY STUDIES**

Students who begin their college career unsure about their major or career path have the opportunity to look into the University's more than 100 areas of study through the **Exploratory Studies** program. Academic advising for these students will focus on the completion of general education courses that will lead into a major of their choice. Students must select a major once they reach degree evaluation status, which occurs between the completion of 45-60 credit hours.

The University Studies department also offers several university foundations courses within a learning community that provides advising and



support as students prepare for university-level English and Math courses.

Additionally, the University Studies department works closely with students who are on academic probation or those returning after an academic suspension.

### **INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES MAJOR**

This undergraduate major empowers students to create a degree plan that best suits their interests and enhances their career objectives. Students may choose two or more areas of concentration within a framework designed to prepare students to integrate various approaches to problem solving according to their specific professional and academic goals. This degree will prepare students to enter the job market or pursue graduate education.

### **ACADEMIC RESOURCE SERVICES**

Academic Resource Services provides information and assistance necessary for academic success and lifelong learning to all students. A range of support and resources include:

- A learning environment that is supportive of the academic, social and spiritual needs of all University students.
- Individual tutoring in a wide range of content areas as well as group tutoring (Supplemental Instruction) in targeted historically difficult courses.

- Academic coaching for students who need assistance with how to learn more effectively, efficiently and confidently. Learning enhancement seminars (HU Hacks) covering a wide variety of topics pertaining to students personal and academic success.

### **FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE**

Making key connections early in a student's academic career is critical to successful transition to college as well as to the student's overall academic, social and spiritual growth. The First Year Experience (FYE) program helps connect students to the people, programs and resources necessary to provide a strong foundation for this intellectual, personal and spiritual journey. This is primarily achieved through programs that include Bison Bound, Stampede, Peer Guides (student mentoring program), Organization Fair, Learning Enhancement Seminars and the annual Freshman Class (P)reunion.

### **CAREER CENTER**

The Career Center provides both career counseling and exploration along with job search opportunities for both students and alumni. Students have access to a library of literature and online resources on careers, companies and graduate schools. The Career Center staff is available to assist students in crafting resumes, cover letters and mock job interviews.

### **DISABILITY SERVICES AND EDUCATIONAL ACCESS**

It is the policy of Harding University to accommodate students with disabilities pursuant to federal and state laws. Therefore, any student with a documented disability (e.g., physical, learning or psychological) who needs to arrange any accommodations must contact his or her instructors and the Office of Disability Services and Educational Access at the beginning of the semester. (If the diagnosis occurs during the academic year, the student must self-identify with the Office of Disability Services and Educational Access as soon as possible in order to get academic accommodations in place for the remainder of the year.)

Reasonable accommodations will be provided depending on the documentation of the disability provided from an appropriate licensed health professional who made the diagnosis of the disability according to ADA guidelines.

Disability Services and Educational Access is located in Student Center Room 226; telephone 501-279-4019. This statement represents a responsiveness to federal expectations. It also reveals the desire on the part of the institution to meet its own commitments to students in the academic arena who have *documented* disabilities.

## DIVERSITY SERVICES

The mission of Diversity Services is to promote academic success and citizenship within a global perspective based on Christian understanding of and respect for other cultures. This goal is achieved through providing academic support, cultural awareness, and leadership opportunities. This office serves as the liaison between students and faculty/administrators on issues of diversity. Diversity Services also sponsors the Multicultural Student Action Committee (MSAC) which is composed of student leaders who initiate, plan and implement programs that increase multicultural awareness on the Harding campus.

## STUDENT IDENTIFICATION

At the beginning of each school year, incoming students are issued a student identification card. This card is to be carried at all times on campus and at all Harding activities off campus, and it may not be used by any other person. The ID card must be shown upon request to any school official.

### The ID card serves as:

- A library card
- Admission to athletic events
- Admission to campus dining services
- Admission to residence halls

Lost ID cards must be replaced in the Security Technology Center

(located in the Kendall Building) at a cost of \$10 to the student. This office is responsible for issuing ID cards as well as managing electronic access control (card locks), security cameras and other security-related technologies. ID cards are made Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The phone number is 501-279-5678.

If a University official (including faculty and staff members) asks a student to surrender the ID card, the student must comply. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action. In case of pending disciplinary action, a student's ID card may be held. If a student withdraws from school, the ID card must be returned to the University.

Any person not possessing a valid ID card will be treated as a nonstudent.

## BISON BUCKBOARD

For the benefit of students who run short of money and need a small loan for a short period of time, the Bison Buckboard fund is available in the Office of Student Life. Students who find it necessary may borrow \$10 for a period of 14 days at no interest. Only enrolled students with valid identification cards are eligible for this service. The fund is made available by the friends and families of John Robert Sapp, who died Dec. 19, 1969, and Marilucy Allen, who died in June 1974.

## SHORES CHAPEL

Shores Chapel is reserved for:

- Large-group and small-group devotionals
- Club devotionals
- Small-group a cappella singing
- Weddings

To reserve Shores Chapel, contact the director of scheduling in the American Studies Institute.

## STUDENT SUPPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

Student Support and Communications provides all University students with an email/internet account while they are enrolled at Harding. The account serves as the official electronic communication channel for the University and must be checked regularly. Use of this account will constitute acceptance of the rules and regulations as stated in the Policy for the Responsible Use of Information Systems and Technology. This policy can be found on the web at [harding.edu/ist/useofist](http://harding.edu/ist/useofist).

Internet connections are provided in all Harding residence halls and on-campus apartments, including Village and Legacy Apartments. **Use of this DormNet connection will constitute an acceptance of the rules and regulations as stated in the following policies:**

1. Policy for the Responsible Use of Information Systems and Technology

## 2. DormNet Agreement

These policies can be found on the web at [harding.edu/ist/useofist](http://harding.edu/ist/useofist) and [harding.edu/ist/its/dormnetagreement](http://harding.edu/ist/its/dormnetagreement).

Student Support and Communications operates the DormNet Help Desk, located in the Administration Building, room 205. The DormNet Help Desk is open from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday, and from 7 p.m.-10 p.m. on Sunday. Students can contact DormNet at 501-279-4545 or [dormnet@harding.edu](mailto:dormnet@harding.edu). Students may also follow their blog at [dormnet.blogspot.com](http://dormnet.blogspot.com).

### **BUSINESS OFFICE**

The Business Office is responsible for the financial portion of registration, billing and collection of student accounts, charging meal plans, and posting charges and payments to student accounts.

Questions regarding charges, withdrawal percentage on dropped classes, refunds on residential rent, and meal plans should be directed to the Business Office. Financial obligations for charges begin at the time a student registers. Ensuring payment of all charges is the student's responsibility. All past-due accounts are subject to credit bureau reporting. If necessary to enforce payment, attorney fees, court costs and collection agency fees may be added to the amount owed. Transcripts will be released when accounts are in current status. Each account holder is

responsible for informing the school of changes in name, address and telephone number.

### **HERITAGE INN**

The Heritage Inn is a hotel located on campus for University guests. Guests are just steps away from executive conference rooms and banquet rooms, while parents are within a short walk of the residence halls or classrooms.

Located in the David B. Burks American Heritage Building, the Heritage Inn offers comfortable rooms at reasonable prices. A continental breakfast is available each morning, and all rooms are equipped with televisions, microwaves, refrigerators, hair dryers, irons and ironing boards.

The campus phone number is ext. 4700; the reservation numbers for off-campus calls are 501-279-4700 or 888-766-2465.

### **HARDING UNIVERSITY PIPELINE**

Pipeline is Harding University's online portal. Additionally, official Harding University apps are maintained or approved by the IS&T department. When students access Pipeline and approved apps, they can:

- Check campus announcements on the message boards, e.g., chapel announcements and schedule, personal announcements, departmental messages, emergency notification, etc.
- Register for classes during registration times

- Select a chapel seat
- Select a meal plan
- Take part in various campus surveys and elections
- Check their Harding accounts
- Request a transcript
- Update personal information
- Register in the emergency notification system
- Look up classes
- Check chapel and class absences

Pipeline is a one-stop resource center for students. It also has links to students' mail and calendar and to the learning management system used at Harding.

### **BRACKETT LIBRARY INFORMATION**

Brackett Library provides 24/7 service to the Harding community through online resources with access to more than 150 databases providing full-text articles, e-books and print materials that support the curriculum. The library webpage is available at [library.harding.edu](http://library.harding.edu). In addition, best seller, Christian fiction and juvenile literature collections are also available. Librarians assist in locating electronic and print resources. Library instruction is provided to classes upon request, and individual assistance is available at the Information Desk.

Harding students may check out an unlimited number of regular

stack books. For most students, stack books are checked out for two weeks and may be renewed once. Graduate and honors students may check out books for three weeks. Students with overdue items will receive courtesy notices through their Harding email. At four weeks overdue, books are “assumed lost” and the student is charged an overdue/replacement fee of \$60 or the replacement cost, if more. Should the item be found and returned after the fee has been paid, a portion of the fee will be refunded. Checkout periods and fines for juvenile books, reserves, best sellers and multimedia vary. Periodicals and some reference books cannot be checked out.

The Interlibrary Loan Services department borrows or purchases materials that are not available locally. A small fee of \$1 per book is charged.

Wireless internet connection and designated areas for group study are available. A coffee shop is in the building. Students are encouraged to offer suggestions for collection development or services. Two student representatives serve each year on the library committee. Library hours of operation are available at [library.harding.edu/index](http://library.harding.edu/index).

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISOR**

Located in Room 237 of the Student Center, this office exists to help international students in procedures, expectations and requirements between the

educational procedures of the United States and their home countries.

The international student advisor is responsible for providing assistance on immigration matters; coordinating all campus and community services available to international students; providing a liaison with sponsoring agencies and foreign governments; and promoting interaction between the international students, the University and the local community.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

The Office of Public Safety is located in the Kendall Building. The phone number is 501-279-5000. Public Safety officers are on duty 24 hours a day, every day of the year. The Office of Public Safety may be contacted for on-campus emergencies as well as other student needs, such as locked keys in a vehicle, jump-starting a battery, emergency transportation to the hospital, and courtesy escorts after dark.

Public Safety officers are medical First Responders and certified in CPR. They have additional training in crime prevention, emergency response and other public safety concerns. Any suspicious behavior, on-campus traffic accidents, on-campus emergencies and all crimes occurring on campus should be reported immediately to the Office of Public Safety. Information about campus security, safety programs and procedures, fire and

crime statistics is available in compliance with the Jean Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. A copy of the annual security and fire report can be obtained at [harding.edu/public-safety/security-report](http://harding.edu/public-safety/security-report) or by contacting the Harding University Office of Public Safety.

The Office of Public Safety has a number of armed officers commissioned by the state of Arkansas. Security cameras and networked access control are used in various locations on campus.

Any questions concerning parking regulations, citations or violations should be directed to the Office of Parking Services located in the Kendall Building or by calling 501-279-4005.

### **PERSONAL AND RELATIONAL COUNSELING SERVICES**

The Counseling Center at Harding is located on the third floor of the McInteer Building. The mission of the center is to provide caring and confidential services for the purpose of enhancing the quality of life experience while a student at Harding. The center is staffed by male and female counselors with many years of experience. Some of the areas of need for students may include stress management, anxiety, personal/social conflicts, depression, and other adjustment difficulties that can develop in a college setting. In the event that a student is in need of medical or other specialized service, the center will assist in making an



appropriate referral.

A student may request assistance from the Counseling Center by calling 501-279-4347 or emailing [counseling@harding.edu](mailto:counseling@harding.edu). A student may find additional information and resources at [harding.edu/counseling](http://harding.edu/counseling).

### **STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES**

Harding University Student Health Services provides health assistance and facilitation to currently enrolled students, staff, and faculty related to preventative care and minor illnesses/injuries. SHS is staffed by RNs, who provide symptomatic care and health information, including facilitation of referrals to local medical providers in the event that medical intervention is needed. SHS can provide a limited quantity of over-the-counter medications for use during short-term, minor illness.

Common preventative care services, such as flu vaccination and TB skin testing or COVID-19 testing, are available at a greatly reduced cost to students. Although we encourage students to carry health insurance for their own benefit in case of extenuating circumstances, our office does not file any claims with health insurance companies. Financial responsibility related to medical care delivered by local providers rests with the student.

#### **SHS Contact Information:**

115 Dr. Jimmy Carr Drive (across from Starbucks)

[studenthealth@harding.edu](mailto:studenthealth@harding.edu)

Phone: 501-279-4346

Fax: 501-279-4577

#### **Hours of Operation:**

Fall and spring semesters  
Monday-Friday  
7:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

Intercession, Summer I and II  
Monday-Friday  
As posted

#### **Attendance Policy:**

1. Students are responsible for compliance with attendance policies, both in the student handbook, as well as with the individual requirements of each course or instructor.
2. SHS does not have the authority to excuse chapel or class. Please refer to Student Life policies for chapel absences and your course syllabi for class absences.
3. Students with chronic or pre-existing illnesses requiring specific accommodation are encouraged to self-identify with the Office of Disability Services and Educational Access.
4. International students are required to comply with TB screening processes required by the Arkansas Department of Health by identifying with the International Student Services office.

### **POSTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

#### **CONTRACT POSTAL UNIT**

The University operates a Contract Postal Unit, located in the Hammon Student Center, under federal postal laws and regulations. The CPU offers postal services, including Express Mail, Certified Mail, Registered Mail, International Mail, mailing of parcels and mail stamp sales. The CPU also offers Western Union money orders and money transfers.

#### **Hours of operation:**

Monday  
9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday  
8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday  
Closed

Phone: 501-279-4694

#### **CAMPUS MAIL SERVICES**

Separate from the CPU, the University operates campus mail services. University housing is not serviced by U.S. Postal Services home delivery in Searcy; therefore, all students living in University housing are required to have a campus box. These boxes are typically assigned to students upon registration. A student is not allowed to receive mail/parcels for another person in their box (with the exception of spouse and/or children). Mail will be returned to sender if improperly addressed. Full name and box number are required for delivery of mail. The correct format for

receiving items through campus mail services is:

Name/Department

HU 12345 (campus box number)

Searcy, AR 72149-5615

Mail sent through campus mail services is in fact mail delivered to the University. The laws and regulations relating to U.S. Postal Service mail delivery only apply before mail has been delivered to the University. Upon delivery to the University, all mail is sorted to individual campus boxes.

Upon graduation or withdrawal from school, students must complete a change of address in Pipeline so mail may be forwarded. When leaving the University permanently, students should also notify magazine, newspapers and other correspondents of any address change. Students leaving to attend an International program or leaving for the summer must complete a change of address in Pipeline. This will allow mail to be forwarded until the student's return to the University. Students no longer residing in University housing must notify campus mail services in order to keep or close their campus box.

Campus mail services also offers an intra-campus mail service for sending and receiving mail communication between departments, students, faculty

and staff. Multiple pieces of candy, home-baked goods, etc., must be in factory sealed containers or Ziploc bags. The following items will not be accepted for delivery by campus mail services: any item deemed potentially hazardous, liquids, fruit, vegetables, flowers, or 8.5 x 11 sheets of paper (each sheet must be folded in half or thirds prior to being submitted to campus mail services). All cash/checks sent through campus mail must be sent using campus mail's delivery confirmation service (at no charge).

#### **Hours of Operation:**

Monday

9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday

Closed

Summer

Closed at 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 501-279-4374

#### **DINING SERVICES**

Harding is a unique place requiring a unique dining program. The student body is composed of people from almost every state and dozens of foreign countries, each seeking something a little different from their meal plan. Quality, variety, convenience and flexibility are all combined to offer a dynamic dining experience. Dining

Services strives to keep pace with the ever-changing trends in food service and welcomes your input.

The Charles White Dining Hall offers a wide variety of foods with weekly rotating and pop-up style menus to satisfy any craving. Enjoy G8 — a unique allergen-friendly station designed for students with food allergies and sensitivities, a salad bar and deli filled with fresh ingredients, house-made pastas and pizzas, innovative international dishes, grilled burgers, chicken, vegetables, a variety of freshly baked desserts, fresh fruit, and more! Daily menus and nutritional information can be found by downloading the Dine on Campus app or by visiting [dineoncampus.com/harding](http://dineoncampus.com/harding).

#### **Hours of Operation:**

Monday-Friday

Breakfast

7-10 a.m.

Lunch

10:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Dinner

4:30-7:30 p.m.

Monday-Thursday

Late Night

8:30-10:30 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday

Brunch

10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Dinner

4:30-7:30 p.m.

### PROCEDURES FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM THE UNIVERSITY

Occasionally students find they must withdraw completely from the University. **Students living in University housing and/or enrolled in classes on the Searcy campus** go to the Office of Student Life to complete paperwork and the required exit interview. Students are encouraged to visit with the Office of Financial Aid Services for an exit interview. All residence hall students must make arrangements with their residence life coordinator to properly check out of the residence hall.

**Students who are enrolled in a class not on the Searcy campus or only in online courses** may fax a written withdrawal notice to the Office of Student Life at 501-279-4059; email the notice to [studentlife@harding.edu](mailto:studentlife@harding.edu); or mail the written notice to the Office of Student Life, Box 12252, Searcy, AR 72149-5615. The student must provide name, student ID number, home address, telephone number, semester of withdrawal, and brief statement of the reason for withdrawal.

**The Student Life Office will notify the Office of Financial Aid Services, business office and registrar's office of the withdrawal.**

Students will not be considered officially withdrawn until the registrar has received notification and

completed the drop for all classes. Students who do not complete an official withdrawal may receive a failing grade for each class. Students should follow the deadline for dropping classes as listed in the academic information section of the current catalog.

### MANDATORY PSYCHIATRIC WITHDRAWAL OF STUDENTS

1. A student will be subject to mandatory psychiatric withdrawal if the administration, counseling center or other consulted mental health professionals conclude the student is suffering from a mental disorder, as defined by the current American Psychiatric Association Diagnostic Manual or its equivalent, and, as a result of a mental disorder, engages or threatens to engage
  - A. behavior that:
    - Poses a significant danger of causing imminent physical harm to others; or
    - Substantially impedes the lawful activities of other members of the campus community, including disruption of residence hall or apartment complex life routine; or
    - Reasonably indicates that the student is unable to successfully complete

current academic requirements at the University.

2. Except in emergencies, adequate advance notice must be given to the student that he or she may be subject to mandatory psychiatric withdrawal from the institution. Interim psychiatric withdrawal may be implemented immediately by the appropriate administrator. A student withdrawn on an interim basis shall be given an opportunity to appear personally before the administrator or a designee within 36 hours from the effective date of the withdrawal. For those situations that are not regarded as emergencies, an opportunity will be given to appear within seven business days after the student has been evaluated by the licensed mental health professional selected by the school. The student will remain withdrawn pending completion of the informal proceedings.
3. The appropriate school administrator may require a psychiatric evaluation for good cause.
4. The findings of the health care professional shall be reviewed by an administrator to determine that a psychiatric withdrawal is recommended.

5. The student and family member or mental health professional is to be allowed the opportunity to examine the psychiatric evaluation and to discuss it in an informal proceeding before any final determination is made.
6. Prior to readmission, a student will be required to provide a written evaluation from a licensed mental health care professional and to submit to an evaluation by the University's Counseling Center staff.

As in the case of any procedural guidelines, Harding University reserves the right to change or to make appropriate revision, additions, amendments or corrections.

#### **PARKING: PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The campus and buildings of Harding University are private property. The Office of Parking Services is responsible for regulating and enforcing parking regulations.
2. All parking violations should be handled through the Office of Parking Services located in the Kendall Building or by calling 501-279-4005.
3. All traffic accidents or mishaps should be handled through the Office of Public Safety by calling 501-279-5000.

4. All Harding students are required to carry a valid Harding ID card at all times while on campus. This ID card must be surrendered to any Harding University faculty member, staff member, public safety officer or parking enforcement officer upon request.
5. Harding University assumes no financial responsibility for any vehicle or its contents while parked on campus.

#### **VEHICLE REGISTRATION**

1. All students enrolled at Harding University, full or part time, graduate or undergraduate, living on or off campus, and their spouses must register their vehicles.
2. All vehicles driven on the University's campus must be properly licensed and registered with the Office of Parking Services.
3. All students, faculty and staff members who own one or more vehicles are required to register their vehicle(s) and correctly display a valid parking permit.
4. Permits must be affixed to the vehicle in the manner in which they were designed by the manufacturer. This will constitute the final phase of vehicle registration. The permit must be correctly affixed to avoid



penalty.

5. Specific registration instructions and the current auto registration fee can be found online at [harding.edu/public-safety/parking-registration](http://harding.edu/public-safety/parking-registration).
6. Students who change vehicles during the school year must transfer their permit by affixing the permit to the new vehicle and updating the vehicle information online. Students should contact the Office of Parking Services for any assistance with the transfer of vehicles, if needed.
7. The Office of Parking Services may utilize online resources to identify the owners of unregistered vehicles. Unregistered student-owned or student-driven vehicles may be registered by the Office of Parking Services, and all applicable fines will be applied to the student's account. Unregistered vehicles that accrue a minimum of five (5) citations may be towed at the owner's expense.
8. Students who falsify registration information are subject to disciplinary action.

#### **REGISTRATION SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

1. Persons who are connected with the University and who

suffer a permanent or temporary physical disability may apply at the Office of Parking Services for special parking consideration.

2. Faculty, staff and students who have a motor vehicle registered and for some extraordinary circumstance find it necessary to operate and park an unregistered vehicle on campus may obtain a temporary permit from the Office of Parking Services without cost for a period of no longer than two weeks..
3. Students bringing trailers to campus must gain permission from the Office of Student Life. Upon approval, the trailer must be registered with the Office of Parking Services and a specific parking area will be designated at that time.
4. Students may not store or drive golf carts or all terrain vehicles on campus without prior approval from the Office of Student Life.

#### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Every person operating a vehicle on campus is held responsible for knowing and obeying the parking regulations of the University.
2. Vehicles must be parked in designated slots.
3. Vehicles are considered parked when left unattended.

4. Citations may be issued 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Citations may be written hourly for any offense. For example, if a vehicle is parked illegitimately in a handicap slot, it is subject to a ticket every hour (also see towing policy).
5. Reserved slots are restricted 24 hours a day.
6. Visitor slots are reserved for non-university affiliated visitors and are reserved 24 hours a day.
7. Faculty and staff parking (red-striped) is reserved Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
8. Students may park in faculty and staff parking Monday through Friday from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 a.m. and on weekends.
9. Students driving vehicles with faculty/staff stickers are required to park in student parking.
10. Parking in handicapped-accessible slots is only permitted with officially recognized identification, such as disabled license plates or hangtags. Unauthorized use of either the slots or the vehicle loading zones (marked by blue stripes) may result in fines and/or towing. Handicapped-accessible parking is reserved 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

11. Loading zones are designated for the loading and unloading of vehicles close to the respective building. Drivers will be given 15 minutes to load or unload their vehicles and will then be expected to move their vehicles to a legitimate parking slot.
12. Service zones are for maintenance and emergency vehicles only. Students are not permitted to park in these areas.
13. Overnight parking (curfew to 7 a.m.) is NOT allowed on the north side of campus and where otherwise posted.
14. Double parking is not permitted on the campus at any time.
15. Parking is prohibited in all areas not distinctly designated as parking areas, such as:

- Service lane zones and roads
- Traffic lanes within parking lots
- On the grass or sidewalks
- On a pedestrian crossing
- Along curbs, unless specifically designated

#### **PARKING SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

1. When leaving campus for school trips or vacations, students should leave

their vehicle parked in student parking (not in areas designated as “No Overnight” parking). If leaving the vehicle on campus for an extended period of time, please contact the Office of Parking Services.

2. If students must park illegally because of car failure, they should notify the Office of Parking Services immediately at 501-279-4005. The students will be required to move the vehicle within 24 hours unless other arrangements are made with the manager of Parking Services.

#### **APPEALS PROCESS**

To contest a parking citation, an appeal must be submitted within ten days of the citation issue date to the Traffic Appeals Committee via the internet. The Appeals Committee is composed of Harding faculty and staff members. Committee members review each appeal and make their decision based on the information contained in the appeal as well as information from the ticket itself. When there is a question about an appeal, members of the committee may consult with the manager of Parking Services to find a resolution. The decision of the Traffic Appeals Committee is final.

#### **TOWING POLICY**

The University reserves the right to remove by impounding any

vehicle parked in such a way as to constitute a serious hazard or any vehicle that impedes vehicular or pedestrian traffic movement, the operation of emergency equipment, the making of essential repairs and services, or for other cogent reasons, such as failure to properly register the vehicle, excessive parking violations or abandoned vehicles. Owners of such vehicles will be required to pay all costs involved in removing, impounding or storing such vehicles.

#### **FRAUDULENT PERMITS**

Any attempt to manufacture, replicate or modify a parking permit or a temporary parking permit may result in, but is not limited to, immediate towing, disciplinary action and loss of right to an appeal. This can include using a permit assigned to another person.

#### **PENALTIES FOR EACH VIOLATION**

Penalties may be paid in the business office or online through the parking management website. Specific penalties for each fine can be found online at [harding.edu/public-safety/parking-registration](http://harding.edu/public-safety/parking-registration).

#### **CHANGES**

Changes to the above information, to include penalties for violations, may be made at any time without prior notice by the administration.

## **ACCEPTABLE USE OF HARDING UNIVERSITY'S INFORMATION SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY (IS&T)**

Those who make use of the University's IS&T resources are required to behave in a manner consistent with Harding's mission, policies and codes of conduct. As a user of these resources, the user should adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Users are responsible for any technology access account they have been given and for keeping passwords secure.
2. Users agree not to intentionally seek out information about, copy or modify password files, other users' files, or disks belonging to other people.
3. Users shall not attempt to decrypt material to which they are not entitled or attempt to gain rights they have not been specifically granted by the owner.
4. Users agree to refrain from any activity that intentionally interferes with a computer's operating system or its logging and security systems.
5. Users shall be sensitive to the public nature of computer systems and refrain from transmitting, posting or otherwise displaying material that is threatening, obscene, discriminating, harassing, defamatory or contrary in any way to the mission of Harding University.

6. Users agree not to make copies of or distribute software the University owns or uses under license.
7. Messages, statements and declarations sent as electronic mail or public postings should be treated as if they were tangible documents.
8. Users agree not to create, alter or delete any electronic information contained in any system associated with the University IS&T resources that is not part of their own work.
9. Users agree not to create, send or forward chain mail, spam or phishing messages.
10. Users shall not use the University's IS&T resources as a means of obtaining unauthorized access to any other computing systems, for example, using a proxy server.
11. Harding's computing disk storage is a University resource with costs attached and should be used with care and discretion.
12. Users agree not to use the system for non-University business, such as the transmission of commercial or personal advertisements; solicitations and promotions; or for reproduction of political, ideological or commercial material.

Disciplinary Action: Breaches of this policy will be treated as

breaches of discipline and dealt with as contained in the Harding University Code of Conduct.

## **PETS ON CAMPUS**

For the purpose of this policy, pets are defined as any domestic or tamed animals, birds, snakes, reptiles and amphibians, unless specifically exempted below.

Pets are prohibited from being in residence halls and apartments, offices, classrooms, hallways, and all other areas in any academic or administrative building.

Pets on University grounds shall not be left unattended and must be maintained on a leash. Any student bringing a pet onto the grounds is expected to clean up after it and not cause additional work for custodial or maintenance personnel.

Service animals are exempt from this policy if the student has a documented disability with the Office of Disability Services and Educational Access.

Animals that are officially part of the University's teaching, research, or clinical programs are exempt from this policy.

## **DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE ON CAMPUS**

Organizations or individual students wishing to display or distribute literature or other materials to students and faculty on University-controlled property will be governed by the following:

1. Approval must be secured from the Office of Student Life.

2. Literature and materials for distribution must not contain:
  - Writings that are libelous, obscene, or in violation of federal, state or local laws.
  - Materials that attempt to exploit for commercial gain the name, image, logo or reputation of this University through the sale of any item, subscription copies or the sale of advertising space.
3. All literature must state the name of the sponsoring organization.
4. Literature and materials for distribution may, upon appropriate approval, be placed in areas designated by the Office of Student Life.

## **LEGAL NOTICES**

### **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (called FERPA) provides, with certain exceptions, (1) that students shall have a right of access to their education records and (2) that education institutions shall not release education records to non-school employees without the consent of the student. "Students" as used in this notice includes former students.

**Right of Access.** With few

exceptions provided by law, students at Harding may see their education records upon request. Access will generally be granted immediately upon request; however, it is guaranteed within 45 days of the request. Students are entitled to copies (at the student's expense) of records to which they have access. Students further have the right, under established procedures, to challenge the accuracy of the records and to enter their viewpoints in the records. A list of all education records maintained by Harding and a copy of the University FERPA Policy are kept in the Harding Office of Student Life.

The University may not require students to sign a waiver of their right to access, but students should be aware that recommendations and evaluations may not be very helpful or candid without a signed waiver.

A student's home address and phone number will be made available to a roommate assigned to that person.

### **Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996**

Harding complies with applicable privacy and security standards, requirements, and implementation specifications pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Notice of the uses and disclosures of protected health information made by Harding and students' rights and Harding's duties with respect to protected health information is

provided to each student.

## **Title IX and Sexual Harassment**

Harding University reaffirms the principle that students, faculty and staff have the right to be free from sex discrimination in the form of sexual harassment by any member of the academic community.

Sexual harassment is defined as an attempt to coerce an unwilling person into a sexual relationship, or to subject a person to unwanted sexual attention, or to punish a refusal to comply, or to create a sexually intimidating, hostile or offensive environment. Sexual harassment is generally understood to include a wide range of behaviors, from the actual coercing of sexual relations to the unwelcome or inappropriate emphasizing of sexual identity. This definition will be interpreted and applied consistently with Christian standards of behavior and conduct.

A student who believes that he or she has been sexually harassed may obtain redress through informal and formal procedures of the University. Complaints about sexual harassment will receive prompt and equitable response. The right to confidentiality of all members of the academic community will be respected in both informal and formal procedures, insofar as is possible. Retaliation against individuals for bringing bona fide complaints of sexual harassment is expressly prohibited. Knowingly or willfully making a false claim is subject to



discipline up to but not limited to dismissal from school. Formal procedures will not be initiated without a signed and verified written complaint. An individual found to have engaged in sexual harassment is subject to disciplinary action for violations of the policy consistent with existing procedures.

Kevin Davis, assistant director of Public Safety, and Amie Carter, assistant director of Human Resources, serve as Title IX Coordinators of the University. Sexual harassment claims against a student may be filed in the Office of Student Life in Student Center 218 or in the Office of Public Safety in the Kendall Building. Claims against a faculty or staff member may be filed with Human Resources in Ezell 130.

### **Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking**

Complainants and witnesses who report or participate in an investigation of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking will not be subject to disciplinary sanctions, such as suspension or probation, for violations of the code of conduct that occurred at or near the time of the incident. A student who believes that he or she is the victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking may obtain redress through procedures of the University. Complaints will receive prompt and equitable response. The right to confidentiality of all

members of the academic community will be respected, insofar as is possible. Retaliation against individuals for bringing bona fide complaints is expressly prohibited. Knowingly or willfully making a false claim is subject to discipline up to but not limited to dismissal from the University. Formal procedures will not be initiated without a signed and verified written complaint. An individual found to have engaged in dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking is subject to disciplinary action for violations of the policy consistent with existing procedures.

Claims made by a student against another student may be filed with the Office of Student Life in Student Center 218 or in the Office of Public Safety in the Kendall Building. Claims made by a student against a faculty or staff member may be filed with the Office of Human Resources in Ezell 130. A copy of the rights of the accuser and accused will be made available at the time the complaint is filed. Further information may be obtained through the annual security report at [harding.edu/DPS/](http://harding.edu/DPS/).

### **Right to Search**

The student, by being enrolled at the University, consents and grants to the University the right to enter and/or search that student's room, with or without the student's presence, to search his or her possessions that are in or on University property, to search computer files and data-storage devices,

and for a reasonable period of time, to maintain possession of anything by which the student violates the rules and regulations of the University.

### **Right of Refusal**

The student, by being enrolled at the University, directs and authorizes the University to refuse any item sent to the student through any means, including mail services, if the University finds possession of the item by the student would be inappropriate, would violate the rules and regulations of the University, or would be contrary to the mission of the University.

### **Harding is a Drug-Free School – It's the Law**

Harding's policy states that drug and alcohol possession or use is not tolerated. Harding has chosen to take a strong stand against the use of controlled substances because of the significant risks that students assume when deciding to use them. Many of these substances are physically or psychologically addicting; the composition of "street" drugs can never be determined by the user and is often dangerous; strictly enforced laws and policies can lead to serious consequences for even the experimenter or occasional user. The negative personal consequences far outweigh any brief exhilaration or escape. The University strongly believes that any use of controlled substances is contrary to the mission of Harding University. Students seeking information or personal

assistance for substance abuse can receive counseling and referral to community resources in the counseling center.

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act requires our school to outlaw the possession, use or distribution of illegal drugs and alcohol by students and school employees on school property or during school activities. It also requires us to explain the risks that drug and alcohol use may cause to an individual's health.

**Drugs and alcohol can:**

- Distort what an individual sees, hears and feels.
- Make individuals feel they are doing their best when their actual performance is poor.
- Lead to crime at school.
- Interfere with how an individual's brain uses information.

**Marijuana use can:**

- Cut mental powers.
- Slow physical reflexes.
- Affect judgment of space and distance.
- Make an individual forgetful.
- Damage lungs, reproductive organs and brain.

**Cocaine use can:**

- Cause a heart attack.
- Cause emotional problems, mood swings, or lack of dependability.

- Cause an individual to make poor judgments.
- Lead to crimes.
- Be addictive.

**Heroin use can:**

- Cause total disinterest in anything except drugs.
- Lead to crimes.
- Spread disease.
- Result in overdose, coma or death.
- Cause school and family problems.

**Hallucinogen use can:**

- Cause distortion.
- Cause sudden, bizarre behavior changes.
- Cause loss of concentration and memory.
- Cause permanent loss of brain function.

**Alcohol can:**

- Cause loss of concentration, coordination and judgment.
- Cause inability to deal with problems.
- Increase aggressive behavior.
- Cause difficulty in learning and remembering.
- Permanently damage liver, heart and brain.

**Amphetamines can:**

- Make an individual panic or behave wildly.
- Be addictive.

- Cause brain damage.

**Sedatives can:**

- Slow down mental processes and reflexes.
- Cause kidney and liver damage.
- Be addictive.

**Inhalants can harm an individual's:**

- Vision.
- Memory.
- Thinking.
- Coordination.
- Breathing.

**Steroids can:**

- Damage the heart, liver and reproductive system.
- Cause depression.
- Lead to heart attacks and strokes.

**Tobacco can:**

- Cause smelly hands, hair and clothes.
- Cause wrinkles.
- Cause bad breath and stained teeth.
- Cause cancer.
- Cause heart and lung disease.

Federal and state laws prohibit the possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs. In addition, the state of Arkansas has laws that pertain to alcohol use and possession. Contact the Office of Student Life with any questions.

## **SPECIAL NOTE**

The Office of Student Life also makes available important information concerning:

- Campus parking regulations
- Social clubs
- Handicapped students
- Mental health
- Alcohol and a drug-free campus
- Rape awareness and prevention
- AIDS
- Suicide

## **DELINEATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Board of Trustees**

The authority to establish and enforce regulations of

Harding University is vested in the board of trustees. The responsibility to initiate, implement and supervise the disciplinary process for students is delegated to the president, who in turn has designated the assistant vice president/dean of students as the person to conduct the nonacademic disciplinary proceedings of the University. The assistant vice president for Student Life and his/her staff shall be responsible to the executive vice president of Harding University for disposal of all cases.

The faculty and staff of Harding University are delegated the authority to enforce the Harding University Code of Conduct in the classroom, in residence halls, on campus, and when involved in other activities.

## **Student Responsibility**

All students are responsible for knowing all the policies and regulations contained within this document. All are also expected to demonstrate a respect for themselves and the rights and property of others, both within and outside the University community.

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of morality, integrity, orderliness and personal honor. Harding University reserves the right to refuse admittance or dismiss any student whose lifestyle is not consistent with the Christian principles that this University represents.



# Campus Numbers

Business Office .....	501-279-4336
Campus Mail .....	501-279-4374
Counseling Center .....	501-279-4347
Disability Services and Educational Access .....	501-279-4019
Financial Aid .....	501-279-4257
Library Information Desk .....	501-279-4775
Office of Public Safety .....	501-279-5000
Office of Student Life .....	501-279-4331
Federal Post Office .....	501-279-4374
Registrar's Office .....	501-279-4057
Security Technology Center (lost IDs) .....	501-279-5678
Student Health Services .....	501-279-4346
Student IS&T Support and Communications .....	501-279-4545
University College .....	501-279-4531





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**“Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble,  
whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely,  
whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or  
praiseworthy — think about such things. Whatever you  
have learned or received or heard — put into practice.  
And the God of peace will be with you.”**

Philippians 4:8-9