

THINGS TO KNOW:

ETHICS IN HIGHER EDUCATION



1. ETHICS IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

- Protects students, staff, and the institution.
- Not just rules—it's about trust, fairness, and accountability.





2. CORE ETHICAL PRINCIPLES

- \bullet Integrity Do the right thing, even when no one is watching.
- •Accountability Own your actions and decisions.
- Respect Honor differences, perspectives, and dignity.





3. RED FLAGS TO WATCH FOR

- · Conflicts of interest.
- · Misuse of property, funds, or resources.
- · Favoritism or unfair treatment.
- Breaches of confidentiality.
- · Policy violations.





4. DECISION-MAKING CHECK

- · Is it legal?
- · Is it aligned with policy?
- Is it fair to all involved?
- Would I be comfortable if this was public?





5. WHY IT MATTERS

- Protects institutional reputation.
- · Builds a culture of trust and accountability.
- Ensures compliance with laws and regulations.
- Safeguards the university's mission and students' success.





6. REPORTING & SUPPORT

- Know your reporting channels (supervisor, compliance office, HR, hotline).
- · No retaliation for good faith reporting.
- · Document concerns clearly and factually.





ANONYMOUS REPORTING SYSTEM

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QUICK TIP:

When in doubt, pause and ask. Ethics isn't about perfection—it's about making thoughtful, responsible choices.

