

# Regulation of Professional Conduct Violations for University of Bahrain Students

# Regulations & Rules For University of Bahrain Students Resolutions No. (4) of 2006

# Resolution No. (4) 0f 2006 Promulgating Regulation of Professional Conduct Violations For University of Bahrain Students

Ministers of Education & Chairman of Board of Trustees, University of Bahrain:

## Upon reviewing

The Decree No. (12) of 1987 promulgating the law establishing and regulating the University of Bahrain, as amended by the Decree No. (18) of 1999,

Regulation of Professional Conduct Violations for the University of Bahrain Students, ratified by the Board of Trustees of the University of Bahrain on 22 / 23 May 1989, and according to the proposal made by the University council, and approved by the University Board of Trustees,

It was decided:

#### Article One:

The provisions of the Regulation of the Professional Conduct Violations for the University of Bahrain Students, attached to this Resolution, shall be implemented.

#### Article Two:

The Regulation of the Professional Conduct Violations for the University of Bahrain Students as ratified by the Board of Trustees on 22 / 23 May 1989, shall be repealed.

#### Article Three:

The President of the University, shall promulgate resolutions necessary to enforce the provisions of this regulation.

#### **Article Four:**

This Resolution shall be implemented by the next day following the date of publication in the Official Gazette.

Minister of Education & Chairman of Board of Trustees, University of Bahrain Majid Bin Ali Al Nuaimi

Promulgated on: 30<sup>th</sup> Thee Al Hijja, 1426H. 30<sup>th</sup> January 2006.

# **Chapter One**

# **Professional Violations & Disciplinary Penalties**

# Article (1)

The provisions of this Regulation shall be applied to all students registered in the University.

# Article (2)

It shall be considered a Professional Violation any breach of Laws, Regulations, Resolutions and University traditions, and in particular:

- a. acts contrary to the regulations of the University, or the college or the department or the office or the University installations.
- b. deliberate abstention to attend lectures, interruption of study, or instigation thereof.
- c. abstention, without justified reasons, to perform work, or any other academic activities which the University Regulations determine to be promptly maintained.
- d. cheating, or attempt thereof, or assist therein during exams or researches and graduation projects, and Postgraduate thesis, or disruption of the exams Regulations and tranquity required therein.
- e. violating the order required during lectures and other academic activities in the University, or to any employees, or students thereof.

- f. any statement, or act committed by the student, offering honour, or dignity, or morals, or breaching excellence of a bearance and conduct inside and outside the University, in any occasion where the University is taking part, or any activity conducted thereby, or while using the University transportation.
- g. any forgery committed by the student in the University documents, or using of such documents.
- h. any distribution of leaflets, or issuance of wall journal at colleges, or collection of signatures or donations, without obtaining the prior licensing from the authority concerned at the University, or any abuse of licensing granted to practice the above activities.
- i. solicitation against the legitimate institutions, or violating the national unity values.
- j. solicitation for any organization inside the University or participation therein, without prior licensing from the authorities concerned at the University, or participating in any activity which violates the organizational rules in the University.
- k. non compliance with proper appearance and acknowledged University traditions.
- damaging the University Movable and Immovable property, or misusing it.
  - m. stay-in strike inside the University building, or participating in protest marches without prior licensing from the authorities concerned at the University.

n. causing any tumult within the University campus.

# Article (3)

The disciplinary penalties which may be imposed on the student are:

- a. attention notice verbally, or in writing.
- b. properly taking out the student from the lecture auditorium.
- c. evicting the student from the University buildings, or denying his excess therein.
- d. depriving the student to utilize the services of a University facility or more, for the period specified in the conviction decision.
- e. depriving the student from exercising a student activity or more for the period specified in the conviction decision.
- f. serving the student with Warning classed as First, Second and Third (Final).
  - g. subjecting the student to a fine for not less than the value of the things which the student intentionally damaged.
  - h. deeming the student a "Fail" in an Examination or in a "Course".
  - i. cancellation the student's registration for a course or more in the Semester during which the violation uncured.

- depriving the student temporarily or permanently from the financial assistance.
- k. stopping the student from study for a Semester or more, in conjunction with denying the student to recover (refund) study fees.
- 1. final discharge (dismissal) from University.
- m. cancellation the resolution by which the degree was offered, a decision in this respect shall not be concluded unless cheating and forgery to obtain the certificate is proved.

# Article (4)

Imposing one of the penalties mentioned in Article (3) of this Regulation, shall not prevent instituting a penal law suit, where the violation committed formed one of the crimes stipulated in the penal law.

# Article (5)

Combining two or more of the penalties stipulated in this Regulation for one violation is not permitted. When imposed, the penalty should be proportionate with the degree and repetition of the violation.

## Article (6)

The conviction Decision issued shall be filed in the student's file, and a copy of which shall be dispatched to the following:

a. President of the University.

- b. Dean of Students Affairs.
- c. Dean of College concerned.
- d. Dean of Admission and Registration.
- e. Head of the Academic Department concerned.
- f. University Security (in case of penalties imposed according to paragraph (k) and (l) of Article (3) of this Regulation).
- g. Student's natural guardian, if any,
- h. The Student concerned.
- i. The Student guarantor, if any.

# Article (7)

If the student's cheating in a test, or in an examination, or in graduation projects, or attempting thereof or assisting therein, one of the following disciplinary penalties shall be imposed:

- a. The student shall be deemed Fail in the examination or the test during which the cheating occurred.
- b. The student registration for the course registered for that Semester shall be cancelled.
- c. The student shall be deprived from registration and study for the following Semester.

d. Finally discharging the student from the University, a penalty which shall not be imposed, unless the student repeated the violation.

# Chapter Two

# **Investigation & Discipline**

#### Committees

# Article (8)

- a. The Dean in each College shall form a committee investigating in the professional violations committed by the college students within the college buildings, or within its scope of specialization, for a renewable of the year to as follows:
  - Head of an academic department, Chairman.
  - Two Staff from the academic faculty.
  - One Staff from academic department to which the Student is attached.
  - One Staff from the academic faculty of the College of Law.
  - A representative of the Deanship of Students Affairs.
- b. The Dean of the College shall refer the Professional Violation to the Investigation Committee in his College, and the Committee shall conclude the investigation within one month from the date of referring the student thereto.
- c. At the commencement of the Academic Year, the Dean of the Students Affairs shall form a committee for one renewable year, to investigate the violation committed by the student within the

University Campus and outside the colleges buildings; provided that it shall be formed as follows:

- Director of Consulting and Guidance, as Chairman.
- Staff of academic faculty of the College of Law, as a member.
- Two Administration Specialists in Students Affairs, a members, The Committee shall conclude its investigation within one month from the date of referring the student thereto.
- d. Where the violation is committed by more than one student attached to different colleges, the violation shall be referred to the Committee formed by the Deanship of the Students Affairs, regardless the place where the violation has been committed.

# Article (9)

- **A.** The President of the University shall at the commencement of the academic year, form a Students Discipline Committee, for one renewable year, the committee includes:
  - a. Dean of Students Affairs, Chairman.
  - b. Two Deans, Members.
  - c. Member of Academic Staff, Member
  - d. Employee of Deanship of Students Affairs, Rapporteur.
- **B.** The Violation should be dealt with and the disciplinary decision should be taken within one month from the date of referring the violation to the Discipline Committee from the Investigation Committees stipulated in the preceding Article; however, if more

investigation is required, this period may be extended for no more than two months.

# Article (10)

If the specific period for any of the Investigation or the Discipline Committees expired, without issuing a Resolution for a new formation of Committees, the existing committees shall continue practicing their authorities until new committees are formed and substitute the existing ones within one Academic Semester from the date of their expiry.

In this respect, the Dean of the Students Affairs shall be responsible for the process of coordinating the formation of theses committees in consultation with the President of the University.

# Article (11)

The Disciplinary decisions shall be final, except the penalties stipulated in items (k), (l), & (m) of Article (3) of this Regulation, where the student shall be entitled to appeal against the decision taken. The appeal must be made in writing within Fifteen days from the date on which the student was notified of that decision; the University Council may order a re-investigation, or to approve the decision taken, amend it or abrogate it.

# Article (12)

a. No discipline penalty shall be applied to the violating student unless an investigation with him / her has been conducted, except for the penalties stipulated in items (a), (b) and (c) of Article (3) of this regulation, unless the Dean of the College or the Dean of the Students Affairs, was of the opinion to conduct such an investigation in the violation; and the Investigation Committee shall hear the violator, ensure his / her defense, and incorporate that in writing. The minutes of the investigation and conclusion thereof and the penalty, recommended by the Committee shall be submitted to the authority entrusted with the execution of the penalty.

b. If the violator student was summoned to appear in front of the Investigation Committee, but failed to do so without justified reason, he / she shall be re-summoned in writing, but again failed to do so without justified reason, the investigation shall be conducted without hearing him / her. The disciplinary penalty decision shall be taken in absentia and notified to the student, who is entitled to appeal against such a decision within one week of being notified to the student or his guardian, through a petition made to the President of the University. The President of the University may order for a re-investigation, or approve the decision made, or to amend such a decision, or to abrogate it.

# **Chapter Three**

# The Authorities Entrusted to Execute Disciplinary Penalties

# Article (13)

The competencies to execute the Disciplinary Penalties on Students shall be specified in the following successions:

- a. The member of the academic staff shall be entitled to execute the penalties stipulated in items (a) and (b) of Article (3) of this Regulation, provided that depriving the student from attending the lectures, or evicting him / her therefrom, shall not result in depriving him / her to sit for the exams, unless approved by the Dean concerned.
- b. The Dean concerned, and the Dean of the Students Affairs, are entitled to execute the penalties stipulated in items (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) and (h) of Article (3) of this Regulation, according to the recommendation made by the Investigation Committee at the College or at the Deanship of Students Affairs.
- c. The authority concerned, at the Deanship of Students Affairs, is entitled to execute the penalty stipulated in items (a) and (c) of Article (3) of this Regulation.
- d. The Discipline Committee is entitled to execute any of the penalties stipulated in Article (3) of this Regulation as it may consider appropriate in respect of the violation submitted thereto, and according to the recommendation of the Investigation Committee in the College or in the Deanship of Students Affairs

# Article (14)

The President of the University is entitled to assume the authorities of the Discipline Committee in cases of disturbance or violating the order of security in the University which leads to irregularity of studies therein, or where a case of threat accurse which requires a prompt action. The decision taken by the President in this case shall not be final, unless approved by the University Council.

# **Chapter Four**

#### **General Provisions**

# Article (15)

No student alleges that he /she is unaware of the Regulations, Rules and University Instructions once published in the Official Gazette or displayed on notice board at the University.

# Article (16)

The President of the University may reconsider the decision taken in respect of final dismissal from the University after the lapse of one year from the date of its issuance.

# Article (17)

The University Council is the competent authority to interpret this Regulation.

# Article (18)

The University Council may determine in those cases where no stipulation in this Regulation has been made.