Preamble
The students of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville hereby declare that this document, in accordance with established policies and procedures of this university and University of Wisconsin System, be the established rights and responsibilities of students of this institution of higher learning. In exercising these rights, the students do in return accept inherent responsibilities that follow. Furthermore, the students of this university do recognize that none of these rights may be exercised such that they would infringe upon another student, faculty, staff, or administrator’s rights and be in accordance with all university, local, UW System, state and federal laws and regulations.

The student rights and responsibilities identified within this document have been divided into six sections: A preamble, four Articles: General Rights and Responsibilities, Academic, Non-Academic, Implementation, and a Reference Guide.

Article I: General Rights and Responsibilities

Section 1. Interpersonal Communication
Students have the right to a collegial and professional university atmosphere. It is the responsibility of all university employees and students to act in accordance. Students have the right to participate in the grievance process whether victim or accused in issues related but not limited to academic (1), non-academic (2), sexual assault (3), alcohol (3), drugs (4), and other student behavior hearings. (5)

Section 2. Use of campus facilities
Students have the right to use campus facilities in accordance with UWS 18.07. (6) Students have the responsibility to adhere to said policies.

Article II: Academic

Section 1. Classroom
All students have the right to an instructor that is competent and knowledgeable in their respective field, and is able to effectively educate students in their classroom. Students have the responsibility to attend all classes, and to adhere to the policies outlined in the syllabus given to them at the beginning of the course. Students have the responsibility to participate in their academic experience and to complete all of the course requirements as outlined in the course syllabus. Students also
have the responsibility to refrain from academic dishonesty as outlined in UWS Chapter 14. (7)

**Section 2. Technology**
Students have the right to classroom environments containing technology which is safe, secure, and conducive to effective teaching and learning in accordance with university policies outlined in the Tech Classrooms usage guide. (8)

**Section 3. Syllabus**
Students should receive course syllabi within the first two weeks (one week for winter and summer courses) informing them of: course objectives, attendance policies, technology use and grading procedures as outlined in the employee handbook. (9) This syllabus should also contain a means of reliable communication chosen by the professor and a timeline that a student could expect a returned correspondence.

**Section 4. Advising**
Students have the right to be adequately informed of the requirements for graduation in their specified area of study, and the utilization of services on campus to fulfill these obligations. (10) It is the student’s responsibility to familiarize themselves with the previous information. Additionally, advisors must follow the guidelines laid out in the Advisor Resource Guidelines. (11)

**Section 5. Evaluation**
Students have the right to evaluate the instructor on instructor performance without recourse and to request for said results. It is the student’s responsibility to fill out the evaluation in an adequate manner.

**Section 6. Academic Hearing**
Students have the right and responsibility to know their rights in accordance with UWS Chapter 14 policies regarding academic disciplinary procedures. (12)

**Article III. Non-Academic**

**Section 1. Organizations**
Students have the right to participate and form student organizations on campus as they choose. Students have the responsibility to adhere to all university guidelines and procedures related to such activities as outlined in Student Organization Requirements and Procedures Document. (13)
Section 2. Student Association and Assembly
Students have the right to assemble as they see fit within the confines of policy, procedure, and law. Students also have the right to express themselves as legally able. It is the responsibility of the students to both respect and receive these afforded rights.

Section 3. Technology
Students have the right to use university provided technology and services. It is their responsibility to use such technology and services in accordance with university policies. (14)

Section 4. Student Services
Students have the right to acquire adequate information and use all university services related to but not limited to housing, transportation, health, child care, financial aid, advising, university police, technology and dining. Students additionally have freedom from any type of penalization for inability to pay tuition and fees on time as a result of late financial aid disbursements not due to student action or inaction. Students have the responsibility to take advantage of services provided by the university and pay tuition and fees by established due dates.

Section 5. Non-Academic Hearings
Students have the right to procedure relating to non-academic grievances and hearings as outlined by UWS 17 (15) and university policies. (16) It is the student’s responsibility to familiarize and adhere to the related policies.

Section 6. Shared Governance
Students have the right to be stakeholders in initiating and reviewing policies concerning student life, services, and interests as developed in the university’s implementation plan for 36.09-5 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Students have the responsibility to participate in such decision making activities which includes but is not limited to proper attendance of meetings and to be well prepared for such meetings. Additionally, students have the right to select student representatives to formal university committees requiring student members through the use of their elected student officials. It is the student’s responsibility to participate in said elections. (17)

Implementation
It shall be the duty of all students of the university to uphold the Student Bill of Rights and to hold their elected student government officials accountable in maintaining those rights. It shall be the duty of the President’s Council of those government bodies to
annually review and periodically revise the Student Bill of Rights as needed. Any revisions must be presented by the president and vice-president of President’s Council to the chancellor for final approval.

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