STUDENT DISCIPLINE REGULATIONS

IN INSTITUTIONS OF THE MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

ARTICLE 1

The student is obligated to adhere to the following:

a. Compliance with the laws, rules, internal regulations, instructions, and orders issued by the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research and its institutions (the University, the Commission, the College, the Institute).
b. Refraining from compromising religious beliefs, national unity, or national sentiments, or intentionally provoking sectarian, ethnic, or religious strife through actions or words.
c. Refraining from defaming the reputation of the Ministry or its institutions by word or deed, whether inside or outside them.
d. Avoiding all behavior contrary to university standards, maintaining high discipline, respect for administration, teaching faculty, and staff, and fostering collegial relations and cooperation among students.
e. Maintaining disciplined and upright conduct, which will positively influence their evaluation upon appointment or nomination for scholarships and fellowships.
f. Abstaining from any act that would breach public order, tranquility, and peace within the university campus (the College or Institute), or participating in, inciting, or concealing those responsible for such acts.
g. Preserving academic supplies and the property of the University, Commission, College, or Institute.
h. Avoiding any disruption to the proper conduct of studies at the College or Institute.
i. Adhering to the prescribed uniform code for students, taking into account the specificity of each university or commission.
j. Avoiding calls to establish organizations that would deepen division or practice any form of political, religious, or social oppression.
k. Avoiding propaganda for any political party, organization, ethnic group, national group, or sect, whether by hanging pictures, banners, and posters, or holding seminars.
l. Refraining from inviting party figures to deliver lectures or host political or religious promotional seminars inside the university campus in order to preserve national unity.

ARTICLE 2

A student shall be penalized with a **Warning (Notice)** if they commit any of the following violations:

a. Failure to adhere to the prescribed uniform code at the University or Commission.
b. Impairing collegial relations among students or verbally offending a fellow student.

ARTICLE 3

A student shall be penalized with a **Written Admonition (Reprimand)** if they commit any of the following violations:

a. Committing an act that warrants a Warning penalty after previously being penalized with a Warning.
b. Disrupting order, tranquility, and peace within the University, Commission, College, or Institute.

ARTICLE 4

A student shall be penalized with **Suspension for thirty (30) days** if they commit any of the following violations:

a. Committing an act that warrants a Written Admonition after previously being penalized with a Written Admonition.
b. Verbal misconduct towards any University personnel who is not a member of the teaching faculty.
c. Defaming a member of the teaching faculty inside or outside the College or Institute.
d. Displaying posters inside the university campus that violate public order and public morals.

ARTICLE 5

A student shall be penalized with **Temporary Suspension from the University for a period not exceeding one academic year** if they commit any of the following violations:

a. Repeatedly committing any of the acts specified in Article (4) of these regulations.
b. Engaging in or inciting sectarian, ethnic, political, or partisan factions or gatherings within the university campus.
c. Physical assault on any University personnel who is not a member of the teaching faculty.
d. Using violence against fellow students.
e. Threatening to commit acts of armed violence.
f. Carrying weapons of any kind, with or without a license, inside the university campus.
g. Intentionally or through gross negligence causing damage to the property of the University, Commission, College, or Institute.
h. Offending national unity or religious beliefs.
i. Verbal misconduct towards a member of the teaching faculty inside or outside the College or Institute.
j. Defaming the reputation of the University or Commission by word or deed.
k. Intentionally disrupting the proper conduct of studies.
l. Proven commission of fraud or deception against fellow students or staff of the College or Institute.

ARTICLE 6

A student shall be penalized with **Final Expulsion from the College or Institute** by a decision of the University or Commission, and their enrollment shall be canceled, if they commit any of the following violations:

a. Repeatedly committing any of the violations specified in Article (5) of these regulations.
b. Physical assault on a member of the teaching faculty or lecturers at the University, Commission, College, or Institute.
c. Committing a disgraceful act that violates public morality and public decency.
d. Submitting forged documents, letters, or certificates while knowing they are forged, or inciting forgery.
e. Proven commission of an act that breaches security and tranquility inside the university campus, or participating in or facilitating it.
f. Being convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude with a prison sentence exceeding one year.

ARTICLE 7

a. Imposing the penalties provided in Articles (2), (3), (4), (5), and (6) of these regulations on the violating student shall not prevent the imposition of other penalties if the violation falls under criminal law provisions.
b. If criminal proceedings are initiated against a student for an act attributed to them outside the University or Institute, disciplinary proceedings shall be stayed until a final judgment is rendered in the criminal case.

ARTICLE 8

The Dean of the College or Institute shall form a Student Discipline Committee chaired by the Assistant Dean, with two faculty members (at least one of whom must be a legal expert) and a representative from the elected Student Union as members. An administrative staff member shall act as the committee's rapporteur.

ARTICLE 9

No disciplinary penalty may be imposed unless recommended by the Student Discipline Committee.

ARTICLE 10

Disciplinary penalties provided in these regulations shall be imposed by a decision of the College or Institute Council, and the Council may delegate its authority to the Dean of the College or Institute.

ARTICLE 11

a. Penalties of Warning and Written Admonition shall be final.
b. A student suspended from the College or Institute for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days may appeal the suspension decision before the College or Institute Council, whose decision shall be final.
c. A student suspended from the College or Institute for a period exceeding thirty (30) days may appeal the suspension decision before the President of the University, whose decision shall be final.
d. A student permanently expelled from the College or Institute may appeal the expulsion decision before the University Council, whose decision shall be final.

ARTICLE 12

The student has the right to appeal the suspension or expulsion decisions specified in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of Article (11) of these regulations within seven (7) days from the date of being notified of the decision. If notification proves impossible, the student has the right to appeal within fifteen (15) days from the date the decision is posted on the notice board.

ARTICLE 13

The penalty decision shall be posted on the notice board of the College or Institute for a period of not less than fifteen (15) days, and the student's guardian shall be notified in writing.

ARTICLE 14

Higher Education Student Discipline Regulations No. (19) of 1989 are hereby repealed.