



## LSU A&M Faculty Senate Resolution 19-02

# Establishment of Student Bill of Rights and Responsibilities

*Sponsored by Faculty Senate Executive Committee at request of LSU Student Senate*

**Whereas** a student enrolled at Louisiana State University should be aware of rights granted and upheld by the administration and their responsibilities necessary to receive these rights, and

**Whereas** students of the University are protected by established policies, which are numerous and not always easily accessed, and

**Whereas** there is no central document that informs students or faculty members of these rights and responsibilities, and

**Whereas** a central document will emphasize and clarify such rights and responsibilities that a student at the University may have and of which faculty members should be aware, and

**Whereas** violations of these student rights may be addressed by filing a complaint to the Student Government Judicial Branch, and

**Whereas** the Judicial Branch may offer an endorsement of the validity of the student complaint through a judicial opinion, and

**Whereas** the proposed list of student rights and responsibilities is not exhaustive and based upon existing policies and practice, including the [Code of Student Conduct](#), [Faculty Handbook](#), [PS-22 Student Absence from Class](#), [PS-29 Management of Courses and Classes](#), [PS-30 Student Privacy Rights](#), [PS-44 Student Grading](#), [PS-45 Courses and Curricula](#), [PS-48 General Appeal Procedure Available to Students](#), [LSU General Catalog](#), [LSU Schedule Booklet](#), and the [Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974](#),

**Therefore** be it resolved that the LSU Faculty Senate affirms the Student Senate request that the LSU Student Bill of Rights and Responsibilities will be:

1. Students have the responsibility to know and follow the [Student Code of Conduct](#).
2. Students have the right to [meet with professors or instructors](#) concerning their classes.
3. Students have the responsibility to [attend class](#) and to seek out work for which they have missed in the case of an excused absence.
4. Students have the right to make up course work for absences deemed excusable by [PS-22 Student Absence from Class](#) or an individual professor.

5. Students are responsible for providing [reasonable advance notice](#) and appropriate documentation to be excused from class or an assignment.
6. Students have the right to access the syllabi in their courses and to any changes that are made during the semester in accordance with [PS-29 Management of Courses and Classes](#).
7. Students have the right to view [updated grade information](#) during the semester.
8. Students have the responsibility to make [appeals of final grades](#) within 30 days after the beginning of the next regular semester.
9. Students have the right to re-schedule a final examination if there are three final examinations scheduled within a 24 hour time period per the Final Examination Schedule for each semester.
10. Students have the responsibility to request to the Dean of their College that their exams be re-scheduled when this occurs per the Final Examination Schedule for each semester.
11. Students have the right to express their opinions within the context of the course and the course material and to [be graded on mastery of course material](#) and not on personal philosophy or other personal characteristics.
12. Students have the right to appeal the decisions of their professors in accordance with [PS-48 General Appeal Procedure Available to Students](#).
13. Students have the right to confidentiality of their records in accordance with [University FERPA privacy guidelines](#).
14. Students have the right to access [free on-campus resources](#) when available and appropriate for an assignment.
15. Students have the right to be considered stakeholders in the University policies that affect their abilities to achieve academic and personal success on campus.

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