

## Honor Code

PREAMBLE: On March 23, 1999, the Franklin Pierce University Student Senate passed, by overwhelming majority, a resolution calling for the implementation of a university honor code. This code was approved in the April 26, 1999 session of the Student Senate. The goal of this Honor Code is to establish a set of principles to help define and guide responsible membership in this community. The code is to be signed by all students as they enter the University. Franklin Pierce recognizes its highest goal to be the development of intellect and character. That which sets Franklin Pierce apart from others is that we demand that community members make contributions far larger than they could have hoped when they arrived. As a member of this community, I affirm the following commitments:

- I agree to read, understand and abide by standards of behavior outlined in the Student Code of Conduct and The Student Handbook (both can be found online at franklinpierce.edu). These important documents outline rules and policies that establish norms for the community. It is every member's responsibility to follow these standards, but also to enforce them with others.
- I will respect myself, other students, faculty and staff. What makes this community so special is the richness and diversity that every individual brings. Understanding and appreciating individual difference is one of the most powerful learning experiences. Thus, we commit to understand one another, to respect one another and care for others.
- I will respect the University. We are proud of past contributions people have made for the Franklin Pierce of today. We understand that sacrifices have been made so that we may enjoy this campus. The natural beauty of the region is also spectacular. We agree to improve the environment, whether it is the buildings and facilities or the natural environment.
- I agree to be involved in the life of the University. A vibrant learning environment is one in which students, faculty and staff are involved in all aspects of university life. Generally, students attend university to learn and develop as individuals. At Franklin Pierce, we emphasize not only the formal classroom learning, but also learning that occurs outside the classroom through clubs, activities and leadership opportunities. It is everyone's responsibility to be involved in shaping themselves and the University.
- I am responsible for my own learning and development. As learners, we commit our energy to becoming the best that we can be. We understand our obligation to others and ourselves. We can advance ourselves through hard work, high standards and service.
- I agree to abide by the highest standards of academic integrity. We will neither engage in nor tolerate acts of academic dishonesty; including but not limited to: plagiarism, cheating, and soliciting academic work from others to present as our own. Furthermore, it is acknowledged that failure to disclose such violations by others is itself a violation.

In joining Franklin Pierce, I commit myself to these principles and accept responsibility bestowed upon me to develop and enhance a culture of respect and responsibility.

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Student Signature

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Date

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Student Name (please print)