

**FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FAMILY SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY**

Student Code of Conduct and Dress Code

In order to be successful, students in our College are required to prepare for professional careers or graduate schools. Therefore, students are expected and required to abide by the following codes:

Student Code of Conduct

General Decorum

1. Students should be able to present their ID cards for inspection at any time while on campus. It is recommended that the card be visibly displayed at all times, whether clipped to a waistband or breast pocket or worn on a lanyard.
2. Students should become aware of and observe all published rules affecting their status as students at the University.
3. In support of State and University fire safety evacuation codes and out of respect for disabled students, all students should comply with guidelines that mandate all corridors, lobbies, lounges, and walkways are free of obstructions that impede movement. This would include a gathering of students.
4. No smoking is allowed in any building.
5. Students are not permitted to have drugs, alcohol, or weapons of any kind on campus at any time.

Classroom Decorum

1. Students should attend classes regularly, missing no more than the allowed number of absences:
 - a. Absent 1 hour of class for a 1 credit hour course
 - b. Absent 2 hours of class for a 2 credit hour course
 - c. Absent 3 hours of class for a 3 credit hour course
 - d. Absent 4 hour of class for a 4 credit hour course
2. Students should be on time to class and remain until dismissed.
3. Students should prepare for each class meeting by reading assignments and completing any required written work.
4. Students should meet all deadlines, including those established by their individual instructors and those set by the University.
5. Students should never have active electronic devices such as cell phones, PDAs, iPods, or similar items in use during class time.

6. Students are expected to act with courtesy and respect to instructors, guests, staff members, fellow classmates, and all others on campus at all times. Failure to do so could result in disciplinary action.
7. Students should not come to class under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
8. Food and drinks are not allowed in classrooms, lecture halls, or labs.

Student Dress Code

1. All garments worn outside of dorm rooms must be designed for outside wear; Pajamas or lounging wear and clothes designed for exercising are not allowed in classrooms.
2. All students must wear shoes, boots, or other types of footwear made for outside wear; no bedroom shoes/slippers, shower shoes, or similar footwear is allowed in classrooms.
3. Dress and grooming will not disrupt the teaching/learning process or cause undue attention to an individual student; no "grillz" or sun glasses are allowed in the classrooms; excessive body piercings are not recommended.
4. Hats, hoods, caps, stocking caps, wave caps, do-rags, and other head coverings are not to be worn in classrooms; no hair curlers whether covered or uncovered are allowed in classrooms.
5. Shirts/tops must be worn at all times while in public or common areas of the University.
6. Attire must not display obscene, profane, illegal, or offensive images or words.
7. Dress must be in good taste and appropriate for the occasion or setting; no midriff tops, halter tops, tank tops, sports bras, strapless tops or dresses, camisole tops with spaghetti straps, see-through blouses or shirts, or extremely short shorts or skirts (more than 6 inches above the knee) will be allowed in classrooms.
8. Clothing which allows undergarments to be visually observed is not permitted; **NO SAGGING PANTS will be allowed.**

If a student chooses to wear a midriff top, halter top, sports bra, camisole with spaghetti straps, or a tank top (male or female), the student must wear a shirt or jacket over it.

WEDNESDAY IS PROFESSIONAL DRESS DAY

The above schedule and procedures are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances