# Computer Society UET Peshawar Code of Conduct

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# What is the purpose of the Computer Society UET Peshawar Code of Conduct?

Our standards and values as a society reflect our commitment to make a positive impact around the globe where we seek to provide a respectful, friendly, professional, and an inclusive experience for everyone. Simply put, an individual's character and leadership truly matter to us.

Computer Society makes this Code of Conduct highly visible to clarify our values, expectations, provide reporting resources for conduct violations, and outline how Computer Society may choose to enforce this Code of Conduct.

# What are the values that we expect of our community and those who engage?

Our society finds strength in diversity and inclusion. In all our interactions, we aspire to embody and champion these values as a community.

- Be respectful and inclusive
  - Respect differences of opinion just because someone holds a different viewpoint from your own, doesn't mean that they're wrong.
  - o Make a conscious effort to include people who differ from you.
  - o Remember that people have varying communication styles different from your own.
  - Show a willingness to understand more about the experiences of others.
  - Ask questions to understand.
- Lead with empathy
  - Listen with purpose seek to understand before being understood.
  - Conduct yourself professionally and be kind to others.
  - Show understanding for another person's situation and emotions.
- Be friendly, open, and welcoming
  - o Assume good intent and interpret others' statements or questions in good faith.
  - Foster environments that allow all members to feel connected to each other and the community.

 Promote a friendly atmosphere where people feel comfortable asking questions, participating in discussions, and making contributions.

#### Be thoughtful

- Think about how others will interpret your words productive, clear communication requires effort.
- Be aware of your strengths and weaknesses and how your own behavior and reactions influence others' emotions and actions.
- Sometimes it is best to pause from commenting or reacting immediately to feedback/constructive criticism.
- We will make mistakes. When others are not at their best, we should reach out, offer support, and seek to understand. When you are at fault, listen, and ask how you can make things right.

For more information and learning resources to support inclusive environments, please visit our underlying community MLSA UET Peshawar (MLSAs's) backed tech giant Microsoft's <u>Global Diversity</u> and <u>Inclusion</u> site.

### What are the expectations from Computer Society Members?

Computer Society does not tolerate any behavior that is degrading to any individual in any form. This summary of CS' minimum expectations is intended to provide individuals considering participation in the society and the public with the standards of what is not accepted as values within our community include the following (without limitation):

- **No disrespectful behavior**. This includes threats, harassment, stalking, abuse, slurs, profanity, personal attacks, sexual remarks or innuendos, physical violence, public speculation about others, and any other behavior that Computer Society deems inconsistent with its norms.
- No impersonations of a company's employee, agent, manager, host, or another user.
- No illegal or offensive activities. Members will not publish, post, distribute, or disseminate
  defamatory, infringing, obscene, or other unlawful material or discussion. This includes, but is
  not limited to, child pornography, bestiality, incest, illegal drugs, software piracy,
  discriminatory/racist statements or images and harassment.
- Accountability. CS members are fully responsible and liable for anything they say
   (whether orally or in writing) or do. This includes any actions taken based on advice or
   information received in online forums or elsewhere, how a member conducts themselves as a
   community leader, and interactions with other members and the general public.
- **No libel or slander against a firm or other persons or entities**. Libel includes false statements made in written form, such as statements posted to forums or other publicly accessible websites, electronic mail, or any other printed form.
- **No confidentiality violations**. Members may get access to certain non-public information during their participation in the society and are expected to honor their confidentiality obligations with respect to such information.

- No plagiarism. Members may only post their own original work or work that they have written
  permission to post. If a member cites another author's work, members are expected to
  provide any necessary attribution according to the requirements associated with the original
  author's work. Learn more about copyright, please visit our underlying community MLSA UET
  Peshawar (MLSAs's) backed tech giant Microsoft's legal policy for more insights as example.
  https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/legal/Copyright/Default.aspx
- No discrimination or harassment. CS is committed to providing a harassment-free experience
  to society participants regardless of age, ancestry, color, gender identity or expression, marital
  status, medical condition, national origin, physical size, physical or mental disability, political
  affiliation, veteran status, race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, or
  technology choices. Harassment is unwelcome verbal, physical or virtual behavior based on the
  characteristics identified above.
- No sexual harassment. Sexual harassment is unwelcome verbal, physical or virtual behavior based on sex and includes gender-based harassment of a person of the same or different gender. Examples of sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:
  - Unwelcome sexual advances
  - Sexual comments or inappropriate gender-based jokes
  - o Excessive, unwelcome romantic attention
  - Offering or conditioning an employment benefit or preferential treatment, like a promotion or job assignment, in exchange for sexual favors
  - Unwelcome physical contact
  - Sharing or displaying sexually explicit content
  - Using sexually degrading words

**Important Note:** The above summary of expectation applies to all society members and is for informational purposes. CS reserves the right to amend or change this Code of Conduct at any time, without notice. Members agree to periodically review this document to ensure they follow the obligations.

## How do I report a potential conduct violation?

If you become aware of a conduct violation on or offline, you are encouraged to report it to <u>Computer Society Global Support</u>. If you are being harassed, notice that someone else is being harassed, or have any other concerns, please contact a member of the higher cabinet, faculty advisor, chief patron or any other reliable person immediately.

If you don't feel comfortable going through one of these channels, you can raise an anonymous concern via the Computer Society Runs on Trust website.

### How is the Code of Conduct enforced?

All reported concerns are reviewed confidentially by the Legalities management team at Computer Society. Disciplinary actions, up to and including removal from the society, imposition of hefty fines & others are made on a case-by-case basis at CS' sole discretion.