

Code of Conduct

3.1. A student found responsible for the violation of any clause outlined in this section is subject to disciplinary sanctions. Dean of Students' Affairs or designee may initiate disciplinary proceedings against student(s) suspected of violating the Code of Conduct of the Institute outlined herein and/or elsewhere within the jurisdiction of the Ordinances and Regulations of the Institute.

3.1.1. Any violation of any sort pertinent to the Indian Penal Code.

3.1.2. Violation of any published IITG policies, rules, or regulations. It is the responsibility of the student to be familiar with all IITG policies that refer to appropriate behaviour on campus.

3.1.3. Conducts that interfere with the operations of the Institute. Such conducts include but are not limited to disruptions or obstructions of teaching, research, administration, or other IITG activities.

3.1.4. Ragging in any form is prohibited in the premises of IIT Guwahati campus.

3.1.5. Failing to comply with orders or directives of IITG officials, Institute hearing bodies, Institute Security Personnel, or any other law enforcement officers acting in the performance of their duties.

3.1.6. Furnishing false or misleading information to a member of the faculty, staff, student, or law enforcement official acting in an official capacity.

3.1.7. Failure to appear and/or report to any IITG office in conjunction with any disciplinary matter, at the time specified or to request alternative appointment.

3.1.8. Violation of IITG policies causing threat to academic integrity.

3.1.9. Forgery, alteration, destruction, misuse, or possession of IITG documents, including but not limited to Institute identification cards or records without authorization. Violations include, but are not limited to, forgery of applications for financial aid, admission, course changes or course credit, copying, misuse or alteration of parking permits, alteration or misuse of transcripts, and student identification cards etc.

3.1.10. Abuse of the Institute disciplinary system, including but not limited to:

a) Knowing falsification or misrepresentation of information presented to any judicial authority.

b) Interference with a judicial process through coercion, intimidation, threats, or bribery.

- c) Failure to promptly obey any mandate of any IITG disciplinary authority.
- d) Failure to comply with written or oral communications from an authorized IITG official to appear for a meeting or hearing as part of the Code and Conduct of Student System.
- e) Initiation of a complaint with prior knowledge that the information submitted is false.
- f) Influencing or attempting to influence another person to commit an abuse of the Code and Conduct of Student system.

3.1.11. Damage, defacement, or destruction of any private or Institute property.

3.1.12. Attempted or actual theft or possession of private or Institute property.

3.1.13. Unauthorized use of private or institute facilities including, but not limited to telephone, internet, computing equipments and accessories and any mode of communication.

3.1.14. Possession, duplication, or use of keys to any IITG premises without authorization; entry or use of Institute premises without permission.

3.1.15. Violation of the IITG Code of Computing Practices, including but not limited to, the misuse of IITG computers or computer network.

3.1.16. Violation and/or sabotage of safety systems, including but not limited to, the below listed behaviours as well as any other behaviour prohibited by the Institute authority.

a) Unauthorized use, abuse, or interference with fire protection equipment or other safety equipments which could result in death, injury, or substantial property damage.

b) Intentional setting off of false fire alarms.

c) Bomb threats or similar threats involving dangerous devices or substances.

d) Behaviour which constitutes a significant fire hazard.

e) Unauthorized possession or use of any material or substance which constitutes a significant health hazard.

3.1.17. Conducts that endanger the health or safety of members of the IITG community or other persons.

3.1.18. Violation of traffic rules, all inclusive of two, three and four wheelers, that jeopardizes orderly traffic and safe journey on the road.

3.1.19. Disorderly conducts including, but not limited to, verbal abuses or inappropriate behaviours or any other activities or behaviour prohibited by the Institute authority.

3.1.20. Instigation of a disturbance in violation of IITG policy and/or any local sound ordinance.

3.1.21. Organization or participation in activities which are in violation of IITG policy related to demonstrations and/or assemblies.

3.1.22. Discriminations against any member of the IITG community, or a visitor, through biased or prejudicial behaviors related to the person's race, color, nationality, sex, religion, disability, age or sexual orientation.

3.1.23. Failing to discourage/confront illegal activity and/or violation of the Code and Conduct of Student by active/passive participation/presence during the activity.

3.1.24. Hazing, defined as, but not limited to, any act imposed on current or potential members of a group or organization that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a person, that defaces or destroys public or private property, that is likely to result in humiliation or ridicule, or that is likely to result in interference with academic efforts regardless of the consent of the participants, or any actions or activities prohibited by the IITG authority.

3.1.25. Physical abuse, including, but not limited to, inflicting or threatening bodily harm upon any person, or acting in a manner which creates a risk of bodily harm to any person.

3.1.26. Harassment, abuse, coercion, or threats by means other than the use or threatened use of physical force. These include, but are not limited to, any behaviour prohibited by the law.

3.1.27. Sexual Harassment/misconduct: Offensive or derogatory comments or conducts reflecting gender-bias which create intimidating work, or living environments and which represent substantial violations of the rights or opportunities of the victim(s). Such conducts include but are not limited to:

a) Conducts that violate the institute's policies prohibiting sexual harassment, such as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favours, and other unwelcome verbal or written communications of a sexual nature.

b) The use of phone, email or any other method designed to transmit messages or materials of an explicit sexual nature that are unwanted by the recipient.

3.1.28. Harboring or bringing a pet on IITG premises in violation of Institute policy.

3.1.29. Gambling for money or other items of value on IITG premises; including but not limited to, playing cards or other games of chance or skill for money or other items of value.

3.1.30. Visiting classrooms, library, laboratories, faculty rooms, academic Departments/Centres and administrative Sections, in unacceptably casual dresses.

3.1.31. Use or possession of a controlled substance, narcotic or drug paraphernalia, including but not limited to, any actions or activities deemed prohibited by the Institute authority /Government of India.

3.1.32. Sale, manufacture, or intent to manufacture a controlled substance, narcotic or drug paraphernalia, including but not limited to, any actions or activities prohibited by the Institute authority/ Government of India.

3.1.33. Possession or use of any dangerous or prohibited chemicals without express authorization by an authorized IITG official.

3.1.34. Possession or use of any explosive device or material, including but not limited to, firecrackers, cherry bombs, bottle rockets, and dynamite without express authorization by an authorized IITG official.

3.1.35. Possession of firearms or any weapons.

3.2. The examples of behaviour that are prohibited in and around residential facilities:

a) Entry into restricted areas of the residential facilities. These include, but are not limited to:

I. The residence hostel roof, windows, ledges, and walls;

II. Restrooms designated for use by members of the opposite sex (i.e., men in women's restrooms);

III. Another resident's room, suite, or apartment without permission;

IV. Dining centres and convenience stores during non-operational hours;

V. Front desk and staff office space.

b) Throwing or hanging objects from windows, removal of screens, or the use of a window as an entrance or exit.

c) Signs other than those used to display institute spirit may not be displayed in window or exterior surfaces of the residence hostel or other locations.

d) Interfering with the rights or safety of one's roommate(s) and/or other students or creating a hostile environment within the residential facilities.

e) Noise or behaviour that disrupts other residents in the residential facilities and/or interferes with their ability to study.

f) Using barbecue grills or gas grills in any residence hostel facility. Items such as toasters, toaster ovens, hot plates, electric skillets or appliances with an open heating element are prohibited in all student rooms.

g) All candles (even those used as decorations) are prohibited and incense, aromatic herbs or the burning of any other substances are prohibited.

h) Storing personal items in public areas of a residential facility.

i) Alterations, additions, and/or unauthorized use of furnishings and fixtures within a residential facility.

j) Playing of sports or activities that present a risk of injury to persons or properties within and around a residential facility.

k) Failure to vacate immediately when a fire alarm sets off.

l) All residence hostels are smoke-free. This includes all student rooms.

m) Drinking Alcohol and use of Drug are strictly prohibited in all residential facilities. In addition, no alcoholic beverages are permitted in facilities designated as "substance-free". Drunkenness will not be tolerated and students found in a drunken state may face expulsion from residence hostels.

n) Door-to-door selling/soliciting/canvassing of any item, service or cause is prohibited.

o) Permitting non-residence hostel students to utilize equipment or services intended for the exclusive use of residence hostel students is prohibited.

p) IITG Housing facilities are not open to anyone other than residents assigned to that faculty, IITG officials, and guests (as defined below) who have a legitimate reason for being in the building. Residential facilities are special purpose buildings and are not open to the general public. A guest is someone who comes to a residential facility to visit a specific resident or who has been extended an invitation by the Institute to visit for a specific occasion, special function, tour, or official visit. A roommate has the right to free access to their home at all times and must not be restricted by visitation of a guest.

i. All guests must be escorted by their hosts at all times.

ii. The host is responsible for familiarizing the guest with pertinent IITG rules and regulations and is responsible for the conduct of the guest(s).

iii. Visiting hours for members of opposite-sex are posted in the lobby of each residence hostel or can be determined by contacting the Hostel Affairs Board (HAB).

iv. The Institute does not condone cohabitation.

v. Individuals in violation of these or other IITG rules and regulations may be required to leave a residential facility.