Student Bill of Rights

All students of Montana State University are members of an academic community of scholars and learners. As members of this academic community, students are guaranteed certain individual rights. The rights identified herein are subject to and guaranteed by University and Montana University System (MUS) Policies, and constitutional and statutory laws.

i. Students, as valued members of the Montana State University academic community, have the right to a living and learning environment that emphasizes the dignity and worth of every member of its community.
   a. Montana State University Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Policy
      i. Section I. Policy

ii. Students have the right to a safe environment to live and study.
   a. The current draft of the proposed Code of Student Conduct
      i. Introduction and Purpose paragraph 1
      ii. 300.00 Student Misconduct paragraph 1
   b. USH Community Standards
      i. Building Access and Safety
         1. “Montana State University is committed to providing a safe living environment for all residents”
            a. “Residents should feel safe and secure...”

iii. Students have the right to peaceful assembly, petition for redress, or peaceably protest university or government action.
   a. The current draft of the proposed Code of Student Conduct
      i. 310.00 section a (iv)

iv. Students are free to express their opinions on the University campus and in the classroom, as it relates to the course content without being disruptive.
   a. Montana State University Freedom of Expression Policy
      i. Policy section Paragraph 1

v. The Montana University System is obligated to respect a student's constitutional and statutory rights to privacy.
   a. Montana University System Privacy Policy
      i. BOR 1302

vi. Students have the right to a fair, prompt, and impartial hearing when charged with violations of the Code of Student Conduct.
   a. The current draft of the proposed Code of Student Conduct
      i. 450.60 Hearing Procedures, 300.00 student misconduct

vii. Students have the right to representation by a student government organization and a Student Regent on the Board of Regents.
   a. ASMSU Constitution *
      i. Preamble
   b. BOR Policy
      i. Article III
viii. Students have the right to be informed and to participate in the process of any fee or tuition change through the Associated Students of Montana State University Senate.
   a. ASMSU Constitution *
      i. XVII-i
   b. ASMSU Bylaws 1/17/22
      i. Fiscal Policy Section 8-1
   c. BOR Policy
      i. Board Policy Section D

ix. Students have the right to hold expectations of their instructors in accordance with faculty policies.
   a. Montana State University Faculty Responsibilities
      i. Faculty Responsibilities Section III.
   b. Montana State University Collective Bargaining Agreement Non-Tenure Track Faculty
      i. Article 14: Academic Freedom and Responsibilities

x. Students have the right to pursue a course of study and work with the University in an effort to graduate in a timely manner.
   a. Core Equivalency Review Committee
      i. Appeal process
   b. Graduation and Admission Requirements Committee
      i. Filling a Petition
   c. Board Policy 301.11 (mus.edu)
      i. II Procedures. Section A

The Associated Students of Montana State University and The Office of the Dean of Students are available to provide information to students who believe that the rights described above have been violated.