Student Bills 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.

ii. Students have the right to live and study in a safe environment.

iii. Students have the right to peaceful assembly, petition for redress, or peaceably protest university or government action.

iv. Students are free to express their opinions on the Montana State University campus and in the classroom, as it relates to the course content without being disruptive or violating other University policies.

v. The Montana University System is obligated to respect a student's constitutional and statutory rights to privacy.

vi. Students have the right to a fair, prompt, and impartial hearing when charged with violations of the Student Code of Conduct.

vii. Students have the right to representation by a student government organization and a Student Regent on the Board of Regents.

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.

ix. Students have the right to hold certain expectations of their instructors in accordance with faculty policies.

x. Students have the right to pursue a course of study that allows them to graduate in a timely manner.

The Student Bill of Rights serves to reaffirm the inalienable rights already guaranteed to students by Montana State University, and Montana University System policies, as well as student rights granted by state and federal laws.

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.