

Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) reserves the right to involuntarily withdraw a student whose behavior suggests a significant risk of harm to self or others. Involuntary student withdrawal may or may not include plans or contingencies that condition the return of a student to the University.

Northeastern Illinois University seeks to maintain an environment that is conducive to learning, maintains reasonable order on campus, and protects the rights and safety of all members of the University community. This policy sets out procedures to enable appropriate University administrators to take action to protect the University community when a student demonstrates behavior that threatens to cause harm to self or others, damage to property, or extreme disruption to the conduct of University business, or demonstrates the inability of a student to manage herself/himself on campus. Inappropriate student behavior that does not reach this level of prospective danger or disruption is managed through the Student Conduct Code.

The University community: faculty, staff, and students.

Student behavior that may cause concerns is deemed *dangerous*, *disruptive* or *disturbed*. These definitions are not mutually-exclusive and behavior may exhibit several of these characteristics simultaneously.

Dangerous behavior is defined as that which distinctively and imminently threatens serious harm to self or to others members of the University community. Examples include acts or threats of violence, aggression toward others in the University, as well as suicidal behavior or serious acts of self-harm.

Disruptive behavior is defined as that which significantly impairs University operations or its ability to carry on its academic mission. Examples include behavior that significantly impedes the ability of faculty members to teach their classes, offices to carry out University business, disruptions of other students' attempts to learn in an educationally-conducive environment, as well as repeated inappropriate behavior which requires inordinately large amounts of University personnel



- b. The student may petition in writing to the Vice President for Student Affairs, within 5 working days after receipt of the notice, for review of the involuntary withdrawal and request a meeting with the Vice President for Student Affairs. If so requested, a meeting may be held by the Vice President for Student Affairs before determining whether or not to rescind the involuntary withdrawal. The Vice President shall notify the student of her/his decision in writing.

2. VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL

- a. If at any time during this process the student voluntarily withdraws from the University, the



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The University reserves the right to modify or amend sections of this policy at any time at its sole discretion. This policy remains in effect until such time as the Responsible Officer calls for review. Requests for exception to any portion of this policy, but not to the policy statement, must be presented in writing to the Responsible Officer.