

MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATION POLICY

Violence on college campuses raises a serious risk of harm to the faculty, staff, students and guest of the College. As a result, the College takes the threat or risk of violence very seriously. Any student whose conduct raises a serious risk of harm to the faculty, staff, students or guests of the College, by acting in a violent, dangerous, threatening or intimidating manner, shall be subject to discipline, up to and including suspension or dismissal from the College. In determining the appropriate level of corrective action necessary, the College may require that the student undergo a mental health examination that is narrowly tailored to the specific level and type of risk involved. This examination is limited to the College being provided only with the recommendations of a state licensed professional as to whether or not the student can safely return to the classroom and benefit from continued education. The College does not require, nor will it accept, any other medical information on the student with respect to the examination. Depending on the severity of the situation, the student may be suspended pending the out come of the evaluation and readmission will be dependent on the results of the examination. For any mental health examination performed pursuant to this policy, the College will select the mental health professional who will perform the examination and pay for the cost of that examination. The student will be responsible for executing an appropriate medial records release in favor of the College pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.