

Walsh College UAE

Mobile Phone and Device Usage Policy

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1. Introduction and Purpose

Walsh College is committed to fostering a safe, respectful, and productive learning environment. This policy governs the use of mobile phones and electronic devices across campus, including classrooms, libraries, examination halls, and student recreational areas, while safeguarding the privacy, dignity, well-being of all members of the college community.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all enrolled students at the Walsh College UAE campus and governs the use of mobile phones, tablets, smartwatches, and other electronic communication devices within campus facilities and the learning environment.

3. Permitted Use in Classrooms and Learning Spaces

Mobile phones and electronic devices may be used for academic purposes only, including:

- Accessing course materials and lesson modules
- Conducting research or preparing assignments
- Digital note-taking and academic collaboration
- Communicating in ways that do not disrupt teaching, learning, or others in the vicinity.

Guidelines:

- Phone calls must be kept to a minimum in classrooms, libraries, study areas, and other designated quiet zones.
- Emergency calls can be made or answered as necessary.

4. Restricted and Prohibited Use

Students must not use devices in ways that are disruptive, inappropriate, or infringe on the rights of others.

Prohibited activities include:

- Using mobile phones or devices for gaming, loud music, or video streaming in academic settings.
- Recording lectures, events, or photographing individuals without prior consent from instructors or those involved.
- Using devices in ways that distract faculty, disturb fellow students, or interrupt academic proceedings.
- Failing to set devices to silent mode during lectures, seminars, examinations, libraries, or official college events, unless explicit permission is granted.
- The posting or sharing of unlawful content referencing the college on social media platforms is strictly prohibited.
- Answering calls or making calls within classrooms, while lecture/seminar/academic activity is going on.

5. Non-Compliance

Repeated or serious violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action. The severity of disciplinary action will depend on the nature and frequency of the violation and any related breach of the Walsh College Student Code of Conduct and applicable UAE federal laws.

6. Privacy and Security

Students must respect the privacy and dignity of others at all times when using electronic devices on campus. Unauthorized recording or sharing of personal information is strictly prohibited.

7. Revision History and Version Control

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