Classroom Misconduct

- 1. The instructor has the primary responsibility for control of classroom behavior.
- 2. Disruptive behavior in the classroom may be defined as, but not limited to, behavior that obstructs or disrupts the learning environment (e.g., offensive language, harassment of students and professors, repeated outbursts from a student which disrupt the flow of instruction or prevent concentration on the subject taught, failure to cooperate in maintaining classroom decorum, etc.), text messaging, and the continued use of any electronic or other noise or light emitting device which disturbs others (e.g., disturbing noises from beepers, cell phones, palm pilots, lap-top computers, games, etc.).
- 3. If a student(s) engages in disruptive conduct or conduct that violates the general rules and regulations of the College, the instructor can order the temporary removal or exclusion of the student from the classroom for each class session during which the conduct occurs. Extended or permanent exclusion from the classroom, beyond the session in which the conduct occurred, or further disciplinary action can be effected only through appropriate procedures of the College.
- 4. Should the student impose any harm to him/herself or to others, continue to be disruptive to the class, and refuse to leave at the instructor's request, the instructor should call Police Services immediately to have the student removed and complete a Police Services Incident Report which provides a formal record of the incident should further administrative discipline be necessary.
- 5. The instructor shall report to the Director of Student Development and the Academic Department chairperson any incident of disruptive conduct that results in the student being asked to leave the classroom. The Director of Student Development will meet with the instructor and chairperson to determine the appropriate action before the next class period.