

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

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(MR-KM/DAM)

Introduction

Welcome to A-QuEST! This Code of Conduct outlines the expectations for all protégés (students) to create a positive, productive, and respectful learning environment. Your commitment to these standards is crucial for building a strong A-QuEST community and enhancing your learning experience.

I. Punctuality and Participation:

1. Class Schedule:

- 2024-2025 cohort: Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30 pm -8:30 pm(EST) via Zoom.
- 2023-2024 cohort: Fridays at 6:30 pm 8:30 pm (EST) via Zoom.
- **2. Punctuality:** Join the class at least 3 minutes early to ensure a prompt start. Persistent tardiness may result in a one-week suspension.
- **3. Participation:** Active participation is mandatory. Engage by asking questions, contributing insights, and interacting with peers and the instructor. Ensure your video is on during the Zoom class.



II. Attendance:

- 1. Compulsory Attendance: Attendance at all classes is mandatory.
- **2. Notification of Absence:** Notify the instructor or administrator in advance with a valid reason (e.g., medical emergencies, family emergencies, pre-discussed extracurricular engagements).

III. Confidentiality:

- 1. Material Usage: Do not screenshot, screen record, scan, replicate, or copy any A-QuEST materials except for completing assignments, applying to foreign universities, or communicating with school administration.
- **2. Prohibited Sharing:** Do not share A-QuEST materials with any adult, child, past alumni, websites, Internet pages, or other advising, test preparation, or counseling services during or after your enrollment.

Materials include:

- WHIFF of the College Contraster
- The A-QuEST Checklist
- Class Lessons and Recordings
- Rhythm Tables and Google Drive contents
- College Essays and Wishlists
- Personal Inventories
- Pro Forma Invoices and Details
- A-QuEST Emails
- Email Addresses under the domain 'cooolth.com'
- Alumni visits
- The A-QuEST Syllabus

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Violations may result in serious consequences, including but not limited to the loss of scholarships, legal action, or expulsion from A-QuEST.

IV. Assignment Submissions:

All assignments must be completed and submitted by the specified deadlines. Adherence to deadlines and a commitment to academic excellence are expected. Late submissions may negatively impact evaluations and standings within the program.

V. Communication Channels:

Only authorized communication channels may be used for A-QuEST interactions. These include phone (SMS), Zoom Chat, VSee, and email (Yahoo/Gmail). Unauthorized WhatsApp groups or other communication methods are prohibited.

VI. Professionalism in Collaboration:

- 1. **Respect and Courtesy**: Collaborate respectfully and professionally with all peers. Maintain confidentiality and treat each other with courtesy.
- 2. **Inclusivity:** Promote open communication and inclusivity, welcoming students irrespective of nationalities, religions, or backgrounds.
- **3. Parental Guidance:** Parents or guardians should discourage any questionable, aggressive, or illicit engagements.



VII. Feedback:

Provide constructive and professional feedback to peers and instructors. Focus on offering actionable advice while maintaining a respectful tone.

VIII. Problem Resolution:

Approach challenges with a solution-oriented mindset. Seek assistance proactively and communicate concerns clearly to find resolutions.

IX. Academic Integrity:

- 1. Standards: Uphold the highest standards of academic integrity. Cheating, plagiarism, or unauthorized collaboration is strictly prohibited.
- 2. Reporting: Report any instances of academic dishonesty immediately to the instructor or administrator.
- 3. ACT Test Results: Monthly ACT test results are required from all students. Submit honest reports to the administrator.



X. Once Bitten, Twice Shy: Safeguarding Against Narcissists, Narcissistic, and Toxic 'Influencers':

Based on unfortunate experiences in one previous A-QuEST cohort, our organization will not create, or facilitate the creation or operation of any WhatsApp or equivalent group among its members. Consequently, the independent creation of any WhatsApp group involving a significant number of A-QuEST members is discouraged. This measure aims to protect the rights and well-being of all members and maintain a positive and respectful learning environment throughout the entire group of princelings or protégés.