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RETURN TO CAMPUS CLEARANCE POLICY

Following any incident which, in the university's sole discretion, significantly disrupts the university community, or calls into question whether a student may pose a significant risk to the health and safety of the PLU community, students may be required by the Student Life office to obtain clearance from the university prior to returning to classes and/or returning to live in the residence halls. In addition, the incident may be referred to the Associate Director for Student Conduct for consideration as a possible violation of university policies. This process ensures that both the student and the university community are ready for the student's safe return to campus. The intent is to ensure a successful re-integration into the academic community. Students are responsible for obtaining and forwarding all pertinent records related to the incident to the appropriate university department, as directed by the Student Life office.

- 1. Process: Following any such incident and a request to return to campus, the student will be contacted by the appropriate university professional staff member for an interview. Following the interview with the student, and others deemed critical to the professional's understanding the behavior and preventing subsequent occurrences, the following documentation will be gathered and reviewed, as available:
 - a. Residence Life Incident Reports, for on-campus incidents
 - b. Campus Safety Reports/Pierce County Sheriff Department Reports
 - c. Central Pierce Fire and Rescue Reports (if applicable)
 - d. Hospital Admittance Reports* (if applicable)
 - e. Hospital Evaluations/Assessments* (if applicable)
 - f. Hospital Discharge/Social Work Recommendations* (if applicable)
 - g. Other
- 2. Once the student has been interviewed and the available information has been reviewed, the professional staff member will notify the Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students, or designee, and the two will consult and make a determination concerning the student's ability to safely return to campus. The Student of Concern group may also be convened if necessary to review the relevant information and make a recommendation. The Vice President of Student Life will determine whether the incident will be referred to conduct.
- 3. The above process will be completed in the most expedient manner possible. However, until the recommendation has been made and acted on by the Student Life office, the student may not be permitted to return to the University and is responsible for his/her own living situation. The Student's Emergency Contact may be notified by the University of any such incident, per University policy. If the student is an oncampus resident, the student or the emergency contact may contact the Residential

Life office to arrange for obtaining any necessary personal effects remaining oncampus during this period. Whether or not the student can attend class will be determined by the Student Life office in consultation with the appropriate staff member.

- 4. As soon as practicable after any such incident, when the incident has been referred to Student Conduct, the student will be contacted by the Associate Director of Student Conduct and be permitted a review meeting per the usual Student Conduct Procedures.
- 5. Students whose behavior continues to present a risk to the community and are not ready to return to complete the term may seek to withdraw from the university per the university procedures. Information regarding withdrawal procedures can be found here: www.plu.edu/catalog/2014-2015/undergraduate-program/academic-policies-procedures/home.php#Withdrawal-from-the-University-Withdrawal-from-the-Term or by contacting the Student Life office.

* Students are responsible for obtaining and forwarding all pertinent medical records deemed important by the Counseling Center (admit/discharge summaries; treatment plan recommendations; medication recommendations; evaluations and assessments; social work recommendations, etc.)