



## **Global Futures Summer School**

### **Student Code of Conduct and Behaviour Expectations**

#### **1. Purpose**

The Global Futures Summer School is designed to provide a safe, welcoming and academically engaging environment for all participants. Students are expected to contribute positively to the community and to behave in a way that supports their own wellbeing and that of others.

This Code of Conduct applies throughout the Global Futures Summer School, including academic sessions, accommodation, social activities, meals, excursions, online spaces, free time, and any other Programme-related activity. Students are expected to follow these expectations at all times while participating in the Programme. The criteria in the Code of Conduct below outline the expectations of the students but is not an exhaustive list.

- By accepting a place on the Programme, students and parents/guardians confirm that they have read, understood and agree to follow this Code of Conduct.
- Failure by the student to adhere to the Code of Conduct may lead to a follow-up with the parent / guardian.
- Parents/guardians also acknowledge that serious or repeated breaches may result in the student being removed from the Programme and that they will be required to arrange and/or fund the student's travel home.

#### **2. General Expectations**

Students are expected to:

- behave respectfully towards other students, staff, student ambassadors, accommodation staff and members of the public
- attend and participate fully in the academic, social and residential elements of the Programme
- follow staff instructions promptly and respectfully
- act honestly and responsibly
- help maintain a safe, inclusive and supportive environment

#### **3. Respect for Others**

Students must:

- treat others with dignity and respect
- listen to different opinions respectfully
- avoid behaviour that could be experienced as bullying, intimidation, harassment or discrimination

- respect cultural, religious and personal differences
- use appropriate language and conduct at all times

The Programme does not tolerate the following, including but not restricted to

- bullying
- harassment
- racism
- sexism
- homophobia
- transphobia
- ableism
- religious discrimination
- intimidation
- abusive or threatening behaviour

#### **4. Attendance and Engagement**

Students are expected to:

- attend all timetabled sessions and activities
- arrive on time
- engage positively in academic sessions and group activities
- notify staff if they are unwell or unable to attend

#### **5. Accommodation and Residential Life**

Students must:

- follow accommodation rules and curfews
- remain in authorised areas at the correct times
- treat rooms and shared spaces with care
- keep noise to a reasonable level
- respect other students' need for rest and privacy
- follow sign-in and supervision arrangements

Students must not:

- enter another student's room without permission or contrary to staff guidance
- leave accommodation without permission where this is not allowed
- tamper with alarms, fire doors or safety equipment
- behave in a way that disrupts or endangers others
- order anything to arrive on campus, including but not exclusively, parcels, food or drink deliveries, transport (including Taxi or Uber)

#### **6. Safety and Welfare**

Students must:

- follow all health and safety instructions
- immediately report illness, injury, safeguarding concerns, damage or unsafe behaviour
- remain with the group during supervised activities unless staff give permission otherwise
- carry emergency contact details/instructions as advised

Students should ask for help if they are feeling unwell, anxious, unsafe or overwhelmed.

## **7. Academic Behaviour**

Students are expected to

- contribute constructively in seminars and workshops
- respect the views of others
- use academic materials and facilities responsibly
- avoid disruptive behaviour in class

## **8. Digital and Online Behaviour**

Students must:

- use phones, messaging apps and social media responsibly
- avoid posting content that is harmful, offensive, invasive of privacy, or damaging to the Programme or other participants
- not photograph or film others without appropriate consent
- follow staff instructions on phone use in academic sessions or activities

Cyberbullying or inappropriate online behaviour will be treated as misconduct.

## **9. Prohibited Behaviour**

Students must not:

- smoke, vape, or use nicotine products
- consume or possess alcohol
- possess, use or distribute illegal drugs or substances
- possess weapons or dangerous items
- engage in sexual misconduct, harassment, coercive or inappropriate intimate behaviour
- steal, damage or misuse property
- leave university campus at anytime
- leave supervised activities without permission or supervision
- leave accommodation without permission or supervision
- commit any criminal offence or behave in a way that risks the safety or reputation of others

## **10. Consequences of Misconduct**

Where behaviour falls below expected standards, Durham University may take action including:

- informal reminder or warning
- restriction from certain activities
- formal meeting with Programme staff
- contact with parent/guardian
- behavioural agreement
- removal from accommodation or activities
- early dismissal from the Programme

Serious misconduct may lead to immediate removal from the Programme without refund.

Where a student is removed, parents/guardians will be required to arrange or fund collection/travel home.

## **11. Speaking Up**

Students are encouraged to speak to staff if they:

- are worried about themselves or someone else
- feel unsafe
- experience bullying, discrimination or harassment
- do not understand a rule or expectation
- need support

Asking for help is always encouraged and will be taken seriously.

## **12. Student Agreement**

By joining the Programme, students agree to:

- take part positively
- act responsibly with own behaviour
- treat others with respect
- follow staff guidance and Programme rules
- contribute to a safe and welcoming environment