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*From the office of*  
DEB LACEY  
Student's Dean

Our purpose in providing this handbook is to acquaint you with enough of the College so that when you *shake hands* with the campus during orientation, you may feel a little less like a total stranger.

*THE FIRST RESORT* is a clue to what the idea of community life at George Fox College is all about.

The Student Life staff hopes you'll find this handbook helpful for your needs right at the beginning. After all, that's why it isn't called *The Last Resort*.

One final note: never hesitate to ask any questions! We're here in the Student Life Office to help answer them with God's help.

## PHILOSOPHY

George Fox College is a learning environment where people can build a life plan. Education occurs whenever and wherever experiences contribute to human development. The integration of faith, Scripture, and learning is a primary objective of the College.

George Fox College is firmly committed to biblical principles. Spiritual growth is encouraged through several opportunities for on-campus Christian fellowship, such as discipleship groups; individual Bible study groups that develop on floors or between friends; Celebration on Sunday night, which includes singing, sharing, speakers, films; and occasional guest speakers in classes.

**Mandatory Chapel/Assembly programs** are an integral part of the College's educational program. Chapel/Assembly is not just worship or spiritual experiences, but an experience that attempts to integrate what is happening to students into how they are living. It is a place of dialogue and encounter as well as a time to be challenged and to explore new areas of thought.

## GFC MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose or *mission* of George Fox College has been clearly defined in its *mission statement*: *The mission of the College from its beginning has been to demonstrate the meaning of Jesus Christ by offering a caring educational community in which each individual may achieve the highest intellectual and personal growth, and by participating responsibly in our world's concerns.*



## STUDENT HOUSING

Student housing at GFC is an integral educational part of the college experience. The residence communities provide unique and meaningful experiences in human relations along with various opportunities to discover one's potential, self-worth, and philosophy of life. The various physical environments of the residence halls, house and apartments provide challenging opportunities for individual growth and development while maintaining a common bond of college residency.

All unmarried full-time (12 hours or more per semester) students, except those living with their parents or guardians, are required to live in College-owned housing. Petitions to move into off-campus housing shall be evaluated on a personal basis by the Dean of Students. **FINANCIAL NEED IS NOT CONSIDERED A REASON FOR GRANTING OFF-CAMPUS RESIDENCE.** Only rare exceptions are made for off-campus residence.

### R.D.s AND R.A.s

Each living area is staffed by a Resident Director who has had extensive training to prepare him or her to be an effective educator qualified to give you assistance with academic, social, spiritual and personal problems. Each subcommunity (floor, wing, apartment area) within the living areas has a Resident Assistant who is a student carefully selected and trained to contribute to your successful living/learning experience. The ratio of Resident Assistants to residents is 1-23.

### RESIDENCE HALLS

**EDWARDS HALL** is a three-story, two-winged residence hall that houses 51 women on one wing and 51 men on the other. The two wings are joined by a large lobby with the Resident Director's apartment directly attached. Edwards is located directly opposite the Student Union Building. Special note: the beds in Edwards are extra long (39" x 80"). You will find that regular flat sheets will fit. For fitted twin sheets, you will need to buy special sheets—the Sears and Wards catalogs list some that will fit.

**HOBSON HALL** is closed for 1987-88.

**MACY HALL** is a three-story residence hall that houses 72 women and is a part of the Macy/Sutton complex. Macy is fully carpeted, with a study room, kitchen, washer, dryer and ironing board on each floor. You will need to bring your own desk lamp. The beds are extra long (39" x 80"). Extra-long fitted sheets are required. Regular flat sheets will fit.

**PENNINGTON HALL** is a two-story residence hall that is "L" shaped with two wings joining in a lounge. One wing houses 50 women and the other wing houses 50 men. Pennington is located next to Heacock Commons for convenient access to the Student Union and academic buildings. Please note: the beds in Pennington are extra long (39" x 80"). Regular flat sheets will fit. For a fitted sheet, you will need to buy special sheets—the Sears and Wards catalogs list some that will fit.

### SUITES

**SUTTON HALL** is a 56-person, fully-carpeted living area three stories high with a full basement. It is the central location of the Hobson/Macy/Sutton complex. A study room, kitchen and a laundry room are on each floor. The rooms in Sutton are arranged in suites consisting of a bedroom and a study room. The beds are extra long (39" x 80"). Regular flat sheets will fit. Extra-long fitted sheets are required and can be purchased through Sears or Wards catalog.

**CAREY HALL** is a two-story living area that houses 32 junior and senior females. It is located in a scenic spot on the east side of the campus. The rooms are fully carpeted and are divided into suites consisting of a bedroom and a study room. The

beds are extra long (39" x 80"). Regular flat sheets will fit. Extra-long fitted sheets are required and can be purchased through Sears or Wards catalog.

### APARTMENTS

The College owns two apartment complexes: Lewis and Weesner. The apartments house upperclassmen and are in close proximity to the rest of the campus with easy access to campus facilities. Beds in the apartments take standard twin-sized sheets. The following are not to be brought on campus: waterbeds, washers and dryers, space heaters, refrigerators, or microwaves. The College furnishes the necessary items for the apartments and the house.

### WEESNER HOUSE

The College offers one house as an option for 10 people. Weesner House is reserved for upperclassmen.

### HOUSEKEEPING FOR APARTMENTS AND HOUSES

Water damage accounts for a significant percentage of our budget. One of the recurring problems is condensation of water on/by the toilet, plus water from the shower on the floor. Giving extra attention to dry floors could be beneficial to both students and the College. We appreciate your help in these concerns of mutual interest.

### COLD WEATHER CONTINGENCY PLAN

Our freezing weather usually occurs from mid-December through mid-February. In this time period, when you leave for a weekend or vacation, would you please: 1) pull curtains almost closed, 2) open doors under sinks and into bathroom (to warm plumbing), 3) close and latch laundry room doors at Weesner and Lewis apartments, 4) keep your apartment thermostat set at or above 55 degrees.

### FAMILY STUDENT HOUSING

The College provides a limited amount of housing for married and single-parent students. Those interested in student housing should contact the Residence Life Office for further details.

### SAGA

All students who live in residence housing, with the exception of seniors living in apartments or houses, are required to eat in Heacock Commons. Students have the option to purchase either 14 or 20 meals per week. However, freshmen are required to purchase the 20-meal plan for fall semester. SAGA Food Service, a contracted national food service company, provides cafeteria-style meals. There is always a wide variety of entrees available, plus vegetables, salad, desserts, and a wide choice of beverages. The meal schedule, which is subject to change, is as follows:

	Daily	Saturday	Sunday
Breakfast	7:15-8:00		8:00-8:15 (Continental)
Lunch	12:00-1:15	10:30-11:30 (Brunch)	12:15-1:15
Dinner	5:30-6:30	4:30-5:30	4:30-5:30

Anyone seeking to be exempt from the board program must go through the Director of Food Services for approval.

### WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

If you find it necessary to withdraw from school, follow the procedure below:

1. Obtain withdrawal form from the Registrar.
2. Complete exit interview with Admissions.
3. Obtain required approval with appropriate signatures and dates.



4. Take withdrawal form to the Student Accounts Office, where the refund amount will be determined.
5. Report to the Registrar for final approval.
6. Damage deposit is refunded when the withdrawal procedure is completed after any charges are determined.

Withdrawal during a term results in financial penalty. Refunds are prorated; the Student Accounts Office has refund policy statements available upon request. The refund policy also is listed in the *GFC Catalog*.

## FEDERAL PRIVACY ACT

The Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 allows students to inspect their educational records and provides guidelines on the release of personally identifiable information (grades, transcripts, career planning information) to third parties. Records of school officials that are in the sole possession of the maker thereof, and that are not accessible to any other person except a substitute, are not considered to be educational records and are exempt. Parents' confidential financial statements are not open to students.

Further information on the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 may be found in the *College Catalog*.

## DISCRIMINATION

George Fox College does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, handicap, race, color, or national origin in its educational programs or activities, including employment, and is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 not to discriminate in such manner. Further information is available in the *College Catalog*.

## ROOM DECORATIONS/FURNISHINGS

Each person in residence halls and suites is supplied with a bed, dresser, desk, closet, and bulletin board. There is ample room for the things you need, but not so much space you will want to bring everything you own. Each laundry room has an ironing board. Regarding radios, TV's and other appliances, you may wish to write to your roommate to agree upon who will bring what for the best use of your space. You will need to bring all those items that make your room your home, i.e. linens, posters, plants, iron, typewriter, rugs, clock, stereo, etc. No individual room refrigerators are permitted other than those available for rent from the College. Each apartment is furnished with beds, dressers, desks, kitchen table and chairs and at least one lamp. You will benefit from bringing a study lamp and/or a lamp for the living room. The College does not supply cleaning supplies or linens. Vacuum cleaners are available to be checked out by apartment residents.

Dorm furniture is not to be moved outside the room due to a shortage of storage space. Also, furniture is not to be disassembled or unscrewed without authorization from the Dean of Students or the Business Manager.

## LAUNDRY

There are coin-operated washers and dryers in each living area. The cost for washing a load is 50 cents and the cost for drying a load is 25 cents—save your quarters!

## TELEPHONES

After business hours, 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Monday-Friday, students may use the College switchboard to place outside calls. Incoming calls may be received 24-hours per day. Pay phones are located throughout the campus, from which all collect calls and long distance calls should be made. A Portland line is available after 5:30 p.m. and on weekends for students to place calls to Portland at no charge to them. Calls to residence extensions should be made prior to midnight to minimize the

disturbance to those whose rooms are near the phones. All calls should be limited to 15 minutes.

## AUTOS/BIKES

Road-worthy vehicles are permitted as long as Oregon and GFC traffic regulations are observed. Within two weeks of being on campus, students are required to register for free at the Physical Plant Office any vehicle they use on campus. A registration number decal will be provided. It must be displayed on the vehicle according to instructions. The registrant is responsible for his/her vehicle at all times. The College has no area for off-road/all terrain vehicles and they are not permitted on campus. Due to shortage of parking spaces, resident students are asked not to drive to classes or meals.

Bicycling is popular. Edwards, Macy, Sutton, and Pennington Halls have covered bicycle racks. Repair shops are close to campus. Bikes are to be stored in the dorm rooms or bike racks. They are not to be stored in any other area. The City of Newberg has an ordinance that requires all bicycle owners to register their bikes at the police department. There is no charge.

## PRIVACY

Your right to privacy will be respected. College personnel may enter a student's room or unit without notice only in emergencies where imminent danger to life, safety, health, or property is reasonably feared, or when there is suspicion or probable cause to believe that College regulations have been or are being violated. When College personnel seek access to students' rooms or units to make repairs or improvements or for other necessary reasons, the occupants of the room or unit involved shall be notified of such action not less than 24 hours in advance, unless consent has been given. Requesting service or repairs shall be deemed giving consent to enter as necessary to provide service or repairs.

The right to privacy by others is also a concern. In keeping with our responsibility toward one another, let us be mindful of our residence neighbors and keep the volume of radios, stereos, etc. at a considerate level.

## HOURS

Fall semester freshmen are to be in their residence unit by midnight Sunday through Thursday and by 2:00 a.m. on weekends (Friday and Saturday). Upperclass students are not required to follow these hours, but are encouraged to follow them. Doors to residence halls are locked at 2:00 a.m. All residents, except RAs, share *lock up duty*, according to a rotating schedule.

## VISITATION

No person is allowed to be in the bedroom of a student of the opposite sex except for occasional open-house visitation periods to be authorized by the Student Life Office, according to the Open House policy, a copy of which is available in the Student Life Office.

Opposite-sex visitors to apartments or houses shall confine their visits to the living/dining areas and shall leave no later than midnight on weeknights and 2:00 a.m. on weekends.

## STORAGE

Articles stored must be boxed and clearly labeled with the name and permanent address of the owner. Articles will be kept no more than one semester following a student's absence. Articles may be stored over the summer months when space is available. Preference for summer storage is given to those students living out-of-state. Articles left in storage more than one semester may be given away. Bicycles



left at the end of the academic year may be stored by maintenance during the summer. There is a \$10 storage charge.

## ROOM CHANGES

No room or unit changes are allowed the first two weeks of any semester. If you wish to change rooms or units, obtain consent of your Resident Director by picking up a room change form and processing it. Failure to do a room change form before moving will result in a \$50 fine.

## PETS

Only fish and turtles are allowed in residence housing, including family student housing.

## GUEST ROOMS/GUESTS

Two guest rooms are available at a minimal charge. Reservations can be made at the Physical Plant. Guests of the students are the responsibility of the host/hostess and the visits are to be of short-term duration. All visitors (except those staying in guest rooms) are expected to leave at the closing hour unless special permission is granted by the Resident Director. Visits by prospective students should be arranged through the Admissions Office. No person of the opposite sex is to stay overnight in the student's room or apartment.

## SOLICITATION

There is to be no soliciting on campus without approval from the Student Life Office. No door-to-door solicitation is allowed. For further information, inquire at the Student Life Office with the Dean of Students.

## COMMUNICATIONS/KEYS

To keep up-to-date on current happenings, changes, or additions in policy, etc., students are expected to apprise themselves of the information contained in the *Bulletin*, published once a week. Other on-campus communications include the campus radio station (KFOX); the College directory (*The Bruin*); the year book (*L'Ami*); and the newspaper (*The Crescent*).

Post Office boxes and keys are assigned to each student during registration. Replacement keys cost \$5.

If you withdraw from school during the year, or when you leave campus at the end of the school year, please return keys checked out from Plant Services to avoid unnecessary charges.

## ASCGFC

There are a great variety of opportunities available to you through student government (Associated Student Community of George Fox College). These include such things as intramural sports, outreach to fellow students, outreach to the Newberg community, helping plan and participating in activities, as well as work on student publications.

Early in fall semester there is an application process in which the standing committees select their membership for the year. This is your opportunity to get in and have an active role in the student community and life at GFC.

## COMMITTEES

**Central Committee:** This council is responsible for coordinating and supervising the function and scope of student government activities. Members include all ASCGFC officers and committee chairmen from each of the following committees and a Student Life representative.

**Student Academic Affairs Committee:** This committee has members from all six academic divisions. They work to stimulate academic growth on campus; provide an avenue to voice academic concerns to faculty and administration; promote and recognize scholarly achievements; and, supervise and encourage the Cultural Events Committee.

**Activities Committee:** This committee is chaired by the ASCGFC Activities Director and is responsible to plan and promote all ASCGFC student activities including the Raft Race, Homecoming, formals, films, concerts and other related activities. This committee also coordinates the scheduling of intramural activities.

**Campus Affairs Committee:** This committee is responsible for internal review and evaluation. It may provide an ombudsman function for students with student government and, if necessary, with the administration.

**Christian Emphasis Committee:** This committee is chaired by the Student Chaplain and is responsible for encouraging campus spiritual activities, including areas such as voluntary chapels, Bible study or prayer groups, and Celebration.

**Christian Service Committee:** This committee is responsible for harnessing the resources of the ASCGFC for Christian Service projects.

**Communications Committee:** This committee is responsible for supervising the operations of *L'Ami*, the campus radio station (KFOX), and *The Crescent*.

**Cultural Events Committee:** This committee is responsible to provide ASCGFC-sponsored events of cultural significance on campus. This may include artists in the areas of music, drama, or the visual arts.

**Finance Committee:** This committee is chaired by the ASCGFC treasurer and is responsible for coordinating expenditures of ASCGFC funds in a manner that is consistent with previously agreed-upon priorities.

**Student Union Committee:** This committee is chaired by the ASCGFC Student Union Director and is responsible for supervising the Student Union Building and its uses, including building maintenance and game room facilities.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### CAREER SERVICES

This office assists students and alumni in making and implementing career decisions. In addition to providing career counseling and career classes, it compiles occupational and graduate school information for students and alumni. Job opening resources also are available along with placement assistance. Placement files are maintained through the Registrar's Office.

### WELLNESS CENTER/INSURANCE

A part-time registered nurse is on duty providing consultation and treatment four hours a day when classes are in session. The Center is located just off Pennington Hall lobby, ext. 332. No appointment is necessary. Hours are posted. When the nurse is not on duty, the student should contact the Resident Director. However, the nurse is available *on call* for emergencies. Being in close contact with Newberg's physicians, the nurse assists the student in making arrangements with any doctor the student wishes to see.

A minimal amount of health and accident insurance is required of all students. A limited insurance plan is made available as a service to the students. Students will be enrolled automatically in this program unless a waiver card, indicating other coverage, is presented to Student Accounts either prior to or at the time of registration. Insurance forms and assistance in filing them may be obtained at the Wellness Resource Center when medical care is necessary.



In accordance with the Attendance Policy stated in the 1987-88 *Catalog*, NO CLASS EXCUSES for extended illness are issued unless the student is examined by the nurse during an episode of illness that prevents class attendance for three or more days in a row. Extended illness excuses will not be given days or weeks after a prolonged illness has occurred. It is the student's responsibility to notify instructors prior to missing classes because of illness, especially if one is missing scheduled exams.

Personal property insurance can be arranged privately, but is not required. THE COLLEGE DOES NOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY.

## BOOKSTORE

The George Fox College Bookstore, although open to the Newberg community, functions primarily for students, faculty, and staff. Not only may texts be purchased, but also stationery, GFC clothing, notebooks, candies, gifts, and a wide range of reading material. In addition to this, special-order services are available. Used books are bought back at the end of spring semester, providing there is a market for them, and offered at prices in keeping with national used-book pricing practices.

## BANKS

Four local banks in Newberg provide services: The Commercial Bank, U.S. National Bank of Oregon, Newberg State Bank, and The First Interstate Bank. In addition, there is a Benjamin Franklin Savings and Loan Association and a branch of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of McMinnville.

# EXPECTATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COMMUNITY LIFE AT GFC

## Community

George Fox College is a community for the purpose of academic progress, personal development, and spiritual growth. Together we seek to integrate faith and learning while our hearts and lives reflect the process of maturing in Christ.

Membership in this community carries with it a unique, demanding, and privileged responsibility. George Fox considers biblical Christianity essential to the liberal arts, sciences, and fine arts, to co-curricular activities, to one's personal life, and to society in general. The mission of George Fox College is to offer a meaningful involvement in liberal arts education in an evangelical Christian context. The student, by virtue of enrollment, therefore, agrees to accept the responsibilities of membership in the College community and to respect the regulations and leadership of the College.

## The Lordship of Christ

The College believes the Scriptures establish the basic principles that should guide the development of Christian character and govern all Christian behavior. These include the Lordship of Christ over all life and thought.

This involves wholehearted obedience to the moral law of God as taught in the Old and New Testaments and exemplified in the life of Christ; the careful stewardship of mind, time, abilities, funds, and opportunities for intellectual, spiritual, and interpersonal growth; and, the care of our bodies as temples of the Holy Spirit.

## RESPONSIBILITIES FOR RELATIONSHIPS

Living in a daily fellowship with other Christians is a privilege and an expression of God's grace. In recognition of this privilege, great value is placed on the quality of relationships in our community. We acknowledge we are living in a fellowship where we are dependent on and accountable to one another.

Within our community the greatest expression of fellowship and the highest principle for relationships is love—the responsibility to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind and to love our neighbor as ourselves. This means that unselfish love should be the motive in all life's decisions, actions, and relationships.

Specific expressions of this type of love which are desirable in this community include:

## Edification

We expect each member of the community to strive consciously to maintain relationships that support, encourage, and help others.

## Bearing with One Another

Because of our humanity, difficulties in relationships can occur. In such cases we are to respond with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience; bearing with one another and forgiving whatever grievances we may have against one another.

## Burden-Bearing

We are responsible to come alongside those experiencing grief, discouragement, illness, tragedy, or other personal trials. Expressions of bearing another's burdens include comfort, encouragement, consolation, and intercession.

## Speaking the Truth in Love

A community such as ours can be strengthened by speaking the truth to each other with love. Problems in relationships and behavior can be resolved constructively by confronting one another in an appropriate spirit. If the welfare of the one being confronted is paramount, and if the confronter is acting in love, the process can produce growth.

## Reconciliation, Restorations, and Restitution

Healing broken relationships is necessary for a healthy community. When relationships have been harmed, regardless of the reason, individuals are expected to reach out to one another, to forgive one another, to restore relationships and to make restitution.

Implementing the above expressions of love in relationships requires continual effort and sensitivity to others. Relationships of this quality enrich our lives, honor God, and assist in meeting the goals of the College.

## RESPONSIBILITIES FOR BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDES

### Biblical Expectations

Scripture teaches that certain attributes are available to individuals through the Holy Spirit. These attributes include *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control*. This fruit of the Spirit is to be sought, encouraged, and demonstrated in our relationships.

In contrast to encouraging these positive attributes of the heart, Scripture condemns attitudes such as greed, jealousy, pride, lust, and hatred. Although these attitudes are sometimes difficult to discern, they can hinder relationships with God and others and lead to unacceptable behavior.

The College community is obliged to repudiate these attitudes and seek God's forgiveness and help so each individual may grow in grace and righteousness.

Certain behaviors that are known to be morally wrong by biblical teaching are not acceptable for members of the George Fox College community. They include theft, lying, all forms of dishonesty, gossip, slander, backbiting, profanity, vulgarity (including crude language), sexual immorality (including adultery, homosexual behavior, premarital sex), drunkenness, immodesty of dress, and occult practices.



In keeping with scriptural admonitions to bring ourselves under the authority of government, members of the George Fox College community are expected to uphold the laws of the local community, the state of Oregon, and the nation. An exception would be those rare occasions in which obedience to the civil authorities would require behavior that conflicts with the teaching of Scripture. On such occasions, each individual would submit voluntarily to the civil penalty for his or her behavior. Behavior resulting in civil arrest on or off campus is subject to review within the College's disciplinary procedures.

### College Expectations

The College also recognizes that while the Scriptures do not provide specific teaching regarding all social practices, they do advocate self-restraint in that which is harmful or offensive to others. The College has chosen, therefore, to adopt certain prudential rules that will contribute to the environment and are appropriate to its aims and goals. These standards are not set forth as absolutes or as an index of Christian spirituality, but rather as expectations of this community. Since trust in and responsibility to one another are of great importance, violations of these standards are regarded as a serious breach of integrity within the community.

1. The community recognizes the danger to one's physical and psychological well-being in the use of certain products. Therefore, members of the community are to abstain from the use of tobacco in any form, alcoholic beverages, hallucinogenic drugs and substances (including marijuana or narcotics not authorized by a physician). Under no circumstances are the above to be used, possessed, or distributed on or away from campus. Members are expected not to abuse the use of legal substances.
2. Sexual Immorality. The College stands firmly upon the biblical principle that sexual intercourse should be confined to marriage. Unauthorized intervisitation in students' rooms of the men's and women's residence halls is not permitted. Examples of sexual immorality include involvement in both premarital and extramarital sexual relationships, and in homosexual activities.
3. Gambling is viewed as an unwise use of God-given resources and as a practice marked by greed and is, therefore, not acceptable in any form.
4. Social dances are not permitted on the campus nor sponsored elsewhere by the College, campus organizations, or students. Acceptable forms of expression in the academic programs may include choreography in drama, musical productions, ethnic activities or athletic events, and square dancing in the student activities program.
5. Any kind of demeaning gesture, threat of violence or physical attack directed toward another person will not be tolerated. This includes hazing or other initiations or actions hazardous, dehumanizing, or humiliating to students. Vandalism of property also is unacceptable.
6. The College urges its members to be selective in choices of entertainment and recreation. Activities and entertainment that are of questionable value or diminish a person's moral sensitivity should be avoided.
7. The pornography industry exploits people. Further, use of the industry's products is immoral. Therefore, pornographic materials are not to be used, possessed, or distributed on or away from campus.
8. Theft of or damage to property of a member of the College community or College premises is not permissible.
9. Unauthorized possession or use of firearms (including air rifles and air pistols), ammunition, or explosives in or upon College-owned or College-supervised property is prohibited.
10. Consideration for others and standards of good taste are important to George Fox College; therefore, all activities should be guided by this principle.

11. Members of the community are subject to the demands of academic integrity such as honesty and giving credit to sources. Any attempt to disrupt or obstruct the College's normal activities including teaching, research, administration, and co-curricular activities is not acceptable.

12. Because of our concern for the worth and dignity of persons, each member of the community is expected to be sensitive to special needs existing in our society and on our campus. Therefore, discrimination against others on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, age, or handicap is not acceptable.

13. Compliance with day-to-day policies and procedures of the community is expected for members, including those related to entry and use of College facilities. These routine items also are found in the College *Catalog*.

Students are responsible for implementing the behavioral expectations listed above when the College is in session, when they are part of the College program, or when they are living in College-owned or approved housing.

The policies of the College are not intended to infringe upon the government of home; therefore, resident students who are home for vacation or the weekend are assumed to be a part of the family unit and under the direction of their parents. Students who commute are expected to abide by these policies except when College regulations conflict with the governance of the home.

### CONCLUSION

The intent of this statement is to identify expectations that assist George Fox College in functioning as a Christian community and in achieving its goals as an institution of higher learning. This statement addresses relationships and behavior; these emphases are parallel and vital to the quality of our experience together. The behavioral portion of the statement is consistent with the established standards of the College constituencies and Board of Trustees. These standards are important to our community and must be maintained to assure a proper climate for learning. Nevertheless, those standards must be kept in perspective with the biblical responsibilities for relationships and behavior.

The biblical and College expectations for behavior and attitudes are to be upheld by GFC students. If these stated expectations are not upheld, students are subject to disciplinary action administered by the Dean of Students and staff.

### FINES

A fine is levied when a person within the community violates given expectations, and/or interrupts the community. The fine is contingent upon the nature of the infraction as well as the number of times a particular individual has been involved in nonacceptable activity. Community service may be an option, depending upon the situation.

If a damage charge is given, a fine will not necessarily be imposed. However, disciplinary action may be taken. The damage charge will be assessed by the Physical Plant and/or the Resident Director.

When students check out of their housing, the RA at that time will assess and note if there is any damage and inform the student that there will be a charge. The charge will be determined within approximately two weeks after the closing of school.

Breaking and entering locked campus building after hours	\$100
No pets allowed other than fish and turtles	10
Making or carrying an unauthorized key	100 minimum
Walking on a roof without permission	25
Leaving a screen off a window at check-out	5
Unauthorized entry onto a residence hall floor	15
Unauthorized relocation of furniture	25



Participating in water fights within College facilities . . . . .	10
Causing or allowing an open flame to be in a College residence . . . . .	50
Propping open outside doors . . . . .	25
Failure to follow check-out procedure . . . . .	35
Discharging fire extinguishers . . . . .	50 per person involved
Setting off a false fire alarm . . . . .	100*

\* Plus compensation for any damages and any other disciplinary measures deemed appropriate. This is a criminal offense subject to civil penalties of up to \$1,000 and one year imprisonment.

Any interference with the normal operation of a fire alarm system and/or inappropriate and unauthorized use of fire-fighting equipment is considered by the College to be extremely serious misconduct. Furthermore, students are not permitted to discharge any type of fireworks or explosives in and around buildings, tamper with a building's electrical system, burn incense or have open flames in rooms or residence halls, refuse or obstruct participation in regularly scheduled fire drills, or use open coil appliances. Placing any motorized vehicle in a building or on a porch violates the fire safety code and may result in a \$50 fine.

## RAIDS

Students have the privilege of participating in College raids while at GFC. It can be a creative mode of expression and a community builder when handled with consideration and forethought. Students are expected to be responsible and organized in these activities.

Raids are not an avenue for negative aggression nor an opportunity for irresponsible and destructive pranks. A contract signed by participants is required and is available through the Resident Director. If this privilege is abused, raids will be terminated.

It is the philosophy of the Student Life staff that raids should be in line with overall goals and expectations of residents as stated under *Expectations and Responsibilities*.

## THE DISCIPLINE PROCESS AT GFC

Discipline is an integral and necessary part of the Body of Christ. As a College embracing the person of Christ as Lord and Savior, we are to accept the teaching of Matthew 18:15-17 that discipline must be included in our Christ-focused community. It teaches that a brother or sister is to be restored through confrontation and reproof. The passage assumes this to be done through a relationship.

These relationships come through the Student Life staff. The Resident Assistants, Resident Directors, and Dean of Students enter into this process with a desire to be a part of the individual's restitution. They all work together in the discipline process to provide redemption, consistency, and fairness toward the student.

However, all members of the campus share the responsibility for keeping this a Christ-centered environment. *Students are encouraged and expected to confront their peers when they witness guidelines and expectations being violated.* As difficult as it may be, they are strongly encouraged to fulfill this community responsibility with the intent to help their brother or sister be personally restored.

Important components of the process are as follows: The Dean of Students has the community responsibility to suspend or dismiss a student at any given time depending upon the nature of the infraction. The Matthew passage suggests that an individual may need to leave the community for personal restoration and reconciliation with Jesus Christ. This is not intended to be done punitively, but in love and respect for the student involved and for the community at large.

To give the student an opportunity to change and grow, a warning is first issued by either an RA, RD, or Dean of Students. This may be either an oral or written communication. A personal growth contract may be used in the case of the student who sincerely desires to change his/her attitude and behavior. This contract would list the conditions for change agreed upon by the student, RA and RD or Dean. Resistance to a contractual agreement suggests suspension. *Furthermore, if the contract is broken, immediate suspension will ordinarily result. Discipline may range from a warning to suspension even without a prior contract.* Even if a person is not actively participating in a violation but is associated with students who are, he/she will receive discipline appropriate for the situation. For example, if a student is discovered with a group who is drinking or using drugs, presence with the group makes the student eligible for discipline whether or not participating in the offense. In this situation, the best choice would be to walk away from the party.

The length of suspensions will depend upon the nature and frequency of the infraction. A short suspension may mean time away for two days to a week. A longer suspension may mean suspension for the remainder of the semester and/or through the succeeding semester. The longer suspension may occur without a shorter one preceding it. With both the short and long suspensions, the student will lose his/her academic work without the opportunity to make up either the course work and/or tests, and without any relief from financial commitments for the period. The suspension will be communicated to the student's faculty by the Dean of Students in order for the faculty to make any necessary adjustments.

All students have the opportunity to appeal disciplinary action to the President. While waiting for the decision, the student is to remain off-campus.

We believe this process is redemptive, restoring, and in keeping with scriptural teaching.

## APPEALS

Appeals to the President of the College must be made within two school days. All such appeals must be made in writing and submitted to the Office of the President of the College. The appeal shall consist of a statement of the facts that set forth one of the following exclusive grounds for appeal:

1. There is significant new evidence that has not yet been considered.
2. The discipline imposed was unreasonable.
3. The official(s) imposing the discipline was biased.

Upon consideration of the appeal, the President's Board of Review may take any of the following actions:

1. Affirm in whole or in part the findings and disciplinary action.
2. Reduce the severity of the disciplinary action.
3. Order a reconsideration of the case.

## The Book of Colossians Provides an Appropriate Summary of the Goals of Our Community:

*Therefore, as God's chosen people holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. And over all these virtues, put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, since as members of one body, you were called to peace. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another . . . and whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God . . . . Colossians 3:12-17 NIV*