



Hartwick College

Peaceful Assembly/Protest Guidelines for Guests

Our Code of Student Conduct states that each student, as a community member, has the right of freedom of speech, and peaceful assembly, except where such rights conflict with the good of the community, and are in direct conflict with how Hartwick defines appropriate behavior.

We ask no less of our guests. Because this is a private institution, not a place of public accommodation, there is no right of assembly for guests. However, you may consult with our Campus Safety office to learn if and where any area has been designated for assembly or protest by our guests. If an area has been so designated, guests should conduct themselves with the integrity, respect, kindness, civility and responsibility that we expect of our students. Failure to comply may result in our directive that you leave campus.

When permitted to remain on campus and conduct your peaceful assembly/protest, please remember that our *Code of Student Conduct* will be the foundation of our expectations when applicable, and so you will be expected to act in ways that fulfill the Core Values and the expectations outlined in the Code which require each student to:

- To be honest and exemplify integrity
- To respect the rights of all people, property, and the environment
- To treat others with kindness and empathy; to act in a civil manner in all settings
- To accept the high level of responsibility for self and others, as is expected of any member of this community
- To read, know, and comply with all published College policies, procedures, rules, and regulations (including but not limited to the one that appears below)

Disruptive Behavior. Substantial disruption of a peaceful environment and or Hartwick operations including obstruction of teaching, research, administration, other Hartwick activities, and/or other authorized non-Hartwick activities which occur on campus; disruption or conduct that interferes with the rights and opportunities of those who attend Hartwick for the purposes of which the College exists; additionally, speech or behavior that materially and substantially disrupts the Hartwick living and learning environment will not be tolerated (*Code of Student Conduct*).

- To cooperate with the requests of College officials as they fulfill their duties
- To comply with all local, state and federal laws.

If you have any questions about these guidelines, you may address them to Karen McGrath, Vice President of Student Experience or designee (607-431-4501).

Please ensure that your assembly or protest meets those criteria. Failure to comply may result in our directive that you leave campus.

Permission to engage in peaceful assembly or protest at any Hartwick College location does not imply acceptance of or endorsement by the College of the views expressed.