

SCU Lifestyle Covenant

And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Matthew 22:37-39 ESV

As part of the registration process, students will sign the Lifestyle Covenant. As faculty and staff, we agree to be held to the same standards, and sign this covenant as part of the employment process. Failure to sign the covenant is grounds for dismissal from SCU. The university believes that, as Jesus Christ becomes the center of our lives, we will commit ourselves to a lifestyle that cultivates spiritual, ethical, social, physical and academic growth.

SCU Lifestyle Principles

Spiritual Principle – I agree to acknowledge and respect scripture by placing the truth of God's word at the center of my life and live according to the SCU Lifestyle Covenant. I will seek to encounter, embrace and embody Christ in developing my relationship with the triune God of the Protestant Holy Scriptures.

Intellectual Principle– I agree to apply myself wholeheartedly to my responsibility for the quality of my work. I commit to excellence and will not participate in any kind of dishonesty.

Communal Principle – I agree to cultivate good professional relationships and participate as a member of the team at SCU. I understand that my behavior affects the atmosphere at the University, so I will endeavor to give respect and consideration to students, staff and faculty.

Physical Principle – I agree to develop my body with sound healthy habits by embracing a healthy lifestyle, sound nutritional habits and participate in wholesome physical activities.

Accountability Principle– I agree to live with integrity and to abide by the rules and regulations adopted by the university administration as stated in the SCU Student Handbook. I agree to obey all Federal, Judicial and local laws. I understand that the university reserves the right to require the resignation or termination of any faculty or staff member at any time if, in the judgment of the President, President's Cabinet and/or the Chief of Staff and Employee Relations such action is deemed necessary to safeguard SCU's ideals of scholarship or its spiritual and moral atmosphere as a Christian university. Such practices to be avoided include but are not limited to:

- Discrimination
- Tobacco, Alcohol, & Drug Use
- Profanity
- Sexual Misconduct & Pornography

- Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transgender (LGBT) behavior or acts.
- Harassment of any kind (verbal, sexual, racial, physical, etc.)
- Any other violation deemed inappropriate by SCU

I will keep the Lifestyle Covenant carefully and prayerfully. I understand that the Lifestyle Covenant is based on the Articles of Faith and guiding principles of the International Pentecostal Holiness Church denomination. I understand that my signature is my **agreement and acceptance** of the entire Lifestyle Covenant, which is a prerequisite for my continued association with the university. My signed pledge becomes a part of my employee file. Further, my acceptance of the Lifestyle Covenant is a solemn vow and promise to God as to how I will live my life.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

Signature of witness