

# Student Safety Policy

Lankaran State University (LSU) is committed to ensuring the safety, welfare, and security of its student population while on university grounds or engaged in university-related activities. The following Student Safety Policy outlines the procedures, practices, and responsibilities through which a safe learning environment will be maintained, the risk of injury or incident will be reduced, and health or safety issues will be addressed. The university strives to create a caring and nurturing atmosphere that facilitates a healthy and successful academic experience for all students.

## 1. Purpose

A Student Safety Policy is very important in order to provide a safe and caring environment for all students. It also provides clear guidelines and steps towards the mitigation of, identification of and response to sources of risk or threat. Through prioritizing safety, it is possible for schools to provide an environment in which students can grow both academically and socially with the security of their safety assured. The policy's primary goal is to ensure the safety and security of all students at LSU by:

- Developing explicit protocols and frameworks for addressing safety concerns.
- Safe practice awareness and education on personal well-being.
- Preventing accidents and minimizing risks within the university environments — both on- and off-campus.

## 2. Detailed Safety Suggestions

Lankaran State University encourages each student to take an active role in maintaining safety by adhering to the following:

- **Personal Responsibility:** Students should take care to avoid risky behaviors and actions that may harm themselves or others.
- **Awareness:** Students should remain alert to potential hazards and report unsafe conditions to campus authorities immediately.
- **Emergency Preparedness.** Students should familiarize themselves with emergency procedures and evacuation routes, and the location of safety equipment (e.g., fire extinguishers, first aid kits).

## 3. Campus Security

The campus has a professional security group that is responsible for maintaining the campus environment safe and secure. Some of the basic safety measures include:

- 24/7 Security Coverage: LSU provides round-the-clock campus security, monitoring CCTV cameras, and responding to emergencies.
- Incident Reporting: Students are encouraged to report any safety-related concerns, suspicious activities or incidents to campus security staff.
- Safety Personnel Training: All campus security officers undergo training in emergency response, first aid, conflict resolution, and critical situation management.

#### **4. Laboratory and Specialized Facilities Safety Policies**

The institution gives priority to the protection of students in environments where specific knowledge or equipment is required, such as laboratories. This includes the following general safety measures:

- Training and Orientation: All students involved in laboratory work or specialized fields must be properly trained in the safe handling of equipment, chemicals, and materials.
- Personal protective equipment (PPE): Depending on the activity the student is performing, PPE such as gloves, goggles, lab coats, or helmets shall be worn.
- Emergency Procedures: In place are protocols that give response measures in case of accidents, spills, fires, and other emergencies. Students are trained in basic emergency response methods and evacuation procedures unique to laboratories and workshops.

#### **5. Documenting and Addressing Safety Incidents**

Lankaran State University encourages an atmosphere of reporting safety concerns where students feel comfortable reporting incidents to the proper authorities. Recording, control, and perpetrating safety incidents as per a student safety policy is of the utmost importance to maintain transparency and accountability. It ensures that they are well reported and investigated in all their repercussions, from petty misdemeanours to criminal violations. The following processes have been put in place:

- Immediate Reporting: In the event of an emergency, students should call immediately for campus security or health services assistance. Non-emergency safety issues can be reported using the university's safety reporting system.
- Support for Victims: Students who experience accidents or who are exposed to violence or harassment will be offered appropriate support services, including counseling and medical care.

#### **6. Prevention of Harassment, Discrimination and Violence**

A Student Safety Policy is fundamental to providing safe and supportive environments for students. It defines precise criteria and protocols for the identification and prevention of possible risks and harm. Through prioritizing safety, schools provide an environment in which students can succeed academically and in the social aspects of school experience, confident that their safety is assured.

The Prevention of Harassment, Discrimination, and Violence section of a Student Safety Policy is essential to help create a school environment in which harassment, discrimination, and violence may not occur. It clarifies behavior expectations, specifies processes for reporting incidents, and guarantees prompt, impartial responses to any incidents. Through actively encouraging respect and equality in this element of the policy, it fosters protection for the students and contributes to a good, inclusive environment for all. LSU is committed to maintaining an environment that is free from harassment, discrimination, and violence. The university has the following policies in place:

- Absolute no to violence: Any form of violence, including physical attack, harassment, or threat, will be absolutely rejected. Disciplinary actions shall be applied to violators according to agency policies.
- Support for Victims: LSU offers support services, including counseling, legal assistance, and academic accommodations, to students who experience harassment or violence.

Lankaran State University is devoted to providing a safe and supportive environment in which students can work towards their academic and personal goals without fear for their safety. The university encourages an active role on the part of all students in maintaining campus safety, conforming to established policies, and seeking help when needed. With cooperation, increased awareness, and shared responsibility, LSU aims to build a community that recognizes safety and respect as core values.