

Introduction

This Student Handbook is prepared for the undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, and staff of Leighton University and other stakeholders who wish to know about Leighton University policies, procedures, programs, and activities. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information contained herein is accurate as of the publication date (August 9, 2020). Leighton University reserves the right to correct errors and change policies, procedures, programs, and activities without prior notice. Changes and amendments made after publication will prominently be posted on the University's website.

Leighton's Student Handbook is the official means and resource that defines our student affairs/life expectations. This Handbook serves to acquaint all students with Leighton University's services and policies. These policies and practices have been adapted for the good of the entire Leighton Community and thus allow us to collaboratively work alongside each other, respond to conflicts with one another respectfully, and resolve violations of our Code of Student Conduct in ways that emphasize learning and personal accountability. Some departments and programs may have handbooks that are pertinent to programs of study. These are your guides, and you should find them helpful as you become involved in student life at Leighton.

The policies and procedures in Leighton University's Student Handbook are designed to promote fairness and will be observed as loyally as possible. While the Handbook is inclusive and applicable to all students, it is not, in any way, a contract between the University and the student. Neither is written with the specificity of the statute of law nor an all-inclusive attempt to classify every possible type of problematic behavior. Suppose circumstances determine variation from the policies and procedures described in the Handbook. In that case, the variation will not nullify a decision unless a student has been subjected to arbitrary or capricious conduct on the part of the University.

The University may alter this Handbook at any time without notice, and students are urged to contact their academic advisor to ensure that they have obtained the latest version of the Handbook.