

CAL NORTHERN SCHOOL OF LAW

VIRTUAL CLASSROOM POLICIES AND EXPECTATIONS

Cal Northern is dedicated to ensuring productive, safe virtual classrooms for all students and instructors. As a reminder, Cal Northern's Academic Integrity Policy still applies to all students regardless of their physical location. A full description of Cal Northern's school policies and procedures can be found in the Student Handbook located on our website.

Virtual Classroom Expectations

In order for a virtual classroom session to be educationally effective for students, all students should abide by a standard set of rules. The following rules govern student conduct in the virtual classroom:

- Be aware of the intended audience (e.g., classes are meant for students currently enrolled in the course and you must not enter or share a class meeting with someone unauthorized)
- Mute yourself except when you have the floor
- Raise your hand virtually to ask a question
- Keep your video on for attendance purposes (no cell phones permitted)
- Avoid distracting backgrounds or actions (e.g., you should treat the Zoom meeting as an academic setting and avoid eating, texting, and similar behaviors)
- Keep discussions respectful and constructive
- Privacy (e.g., students should participate from a setting free from family and/or pet distractions)
- Abide by additional rules, policies, and procedures established by the course instructor

Examples of Unacceptable Behavior

- Offensive/inappropriate discussion posts or submissions
- Harassment of others, either inside or outside of the course space
- Inappropriate or concerning behavior in a class session
- Inappropriate or confrontational email, classroom, group, or telephone communications

Possible Consequences for Disruptive/Unacceptable Behavior

Students who violate the virtual classroom rules of conduct will be warned by the instructor to correct the behavior and/or may be:

- Prohibited from communication with classmates for the rest of the class session
- Subject to class removal
- Subject to grade reductions
- Subject to disciplinary action