

Use of Electronic Devices at Northern College

Electronic devices include, by their generic name, cell phones, iPods, laptops, PDAs, MP3s, recording devices and any other device with Internet access capability, messaging capability and/or photo-taking capability.

Taking photos or making audio/video recordings on Northern College property without permission in ANY context in which the person being photographed or recorded has a reasonable expectation of privacy is prohibited. This includes all members of the College community and/or work areas.

Examples include but are not limited to the following areas.

Classrooms: The use of electronic devices during classes, clinical or field placement is prohibited, unless authorized by the professor.

Examinations: The use of electronic devices during exams and midterms is prohibited. These devices shall not be taken into examination/testing areas. **Violation will result in receiving a grade of zero (0) for that test or exam.**

**Students with documented disabilities may be permitted to use electronic devices as a form of academic accommodation, where recommended in writing by Accessibility Services and with approval from the professor.

**Students given permission to use electronic devices in the learning environment must agree in writing to abide by certain provisions, or face loss of privileges.

Athletic Facilities: The use of cell phones and photographically capable electronic devices within the athletic facility is prohibited.

Library/Computer labs: All cell phones and electronic devices must be turned to their silent signal or turned off and all calls must be taken outside of the Library/Computer Lab. Students must use headphones to listen to personal audio devices in the Library/Computer Lab and must keep the volume at a level which cannot be heard by those individuals in attendance within the Library/Computer Lab.

Residence: Taking photos or making audio/video recordings without permission in ANY context in which the person photographed or recorded has a reasonable expectation of privacy is prohibited.

Washroom, Change Rooms, etc.: The use of cell phones and other electronic devices is prohibited in all Northern College property washrooms, change rooms, etc. Taking photos or making audio/video recordings is prohibited.

Students who fail to conform to these expectations will be subject to discipline under the Student Code of Conduct and/or legal consequences.