

Amorous Relationships

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Policy Summary

Clemson University is committed to providing a positive environment which includes ethical and professional conduct. The foundation of creating this type of environment consists of mutual trust, respect, confidence and professional ethics. Amorous relationships can undermine the University's mission when persons in positions of authority abuse or appear to abuse their authority. Such unethical behavior may constitute a violation of the University's Harassment Policy.

Amorous relationships that might be appropriate in other circumstances can be inappropriate when they occur between a faculty member, officer, or supervisor of the University, and any student or subordinate employee for whom he or she has a professional responsibility. Those in positions of authority inherently carry the element of power in their relationships with students or subordinates. It is imperative that those with authority neither abuse, nor appear to abuse, this power entrusted to them.

You may read the complete Statement at <https://www.clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-services/access/documents/policies/amorous-rel.pdf>.

Additional Information

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