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# Maintaining an Ethical Culture at CSU

As a University System of Georgia institution, Columbus State University is committed to the highest ethical and professional standards of conduct as we fulfill our mission focused on excellence in teaching, research, lifelong learning, cultural enrichment, public/private partnerships and service to others. Doing so demands integrity, good judgment and dedication to public service by all members of the CSU community.

CSU relies upon what is broadly referred to as Personal Conduct policies. USG Policies contain additional guidance through its Code of Conduct, which sets forth in general terms what is expected of employees in their day to day workplace behavior. Read more about Policy 8.2.18 et seq. in the [USG Board of Regents Policy Manual](#).

Maintaining an ethical culture is vital to not only CSU's institutional reputation, but in how we support our students, collaborate with one another, partner with our community, and equip our state and nation's future workforce.

These pages provide references, resources and remedies for the entire CSU community in ensuring how we maintain a focus on ethical practices.

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## Additional Resources

Each November, the University System of Georgia designates a system-wide Ethics Awareness Week to highlight the value of an ethical culture and our shared system values of excellence, accountability and respect. Those [online resources](#) are available to CSU supervisors to use throughout the year as part of their team-development efforts.

In addition, managers and supervisors can tap into the expertise available through CSU's Leadership Institute, which offers ethics-related programming through its [L.I.V.E. CSU Elev8](#) leadership development program, as well as customized workshops for teams.

You can also test your ethics knowledge on your own through the [USG online Ethics Training module](#).

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