



## What is Academic Disruption?

### Disorderly Conduct

Classroom behavior that disrupts the instructor's ability to teach or students' ability to learn.

### Disruptive Activity

Students are expected to comply with and respond appropriately to the reasonable and lawful requests of University officials in the performance of their duties.

### Failure to Comply

Disruption of the normal activity and operations of faculty, staff, and students .



## How should I handle Academic Disruption?

### 1 Utilize Prevention Methods

- Add into your syllabus a statement regarding behavioral expectations in your classroom
  - See sample syllabus statements on our website
- Discuss classroom expectations at the beginning of class and when relevant

### 2 If an Incident Occurs

- Address the behavior in person



Explain the impact of the behavior



Request that the behavior stops



Explore alternatives to behavior



Refer the student to an appropriate resource



Follow-up with the student via e-mail to document your conversation

### 3 If the Incident Escalates

- Fill out an incident report at [sc.edu/osc](http://sc.edu/osc)
  - This notifies the Office of Student Conduct
  - Make sure to notify your dean and department head

If you have any questions or concerns about how to handle a student's behavior, please reach out to your department head or dean and then the Office of Student Conduct. If you feel threatened, call 911