

Student guidelines for Use of Social Media in the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work

Social media are an important part of communications between students in the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work. The School welcomes this form of active engagement and exchange, which helps us all build stronger connections with each other. The School has adopted some guidelines to ensure that we make the best possible use of these pages, accounts, and groups.

We ask that all students agree to the following guidelines:

- 1. Register any USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work-affiliated student group social media page as well as identify the administrator of the page, account or group, with the school's Student Organization and the Office of Student Services.
- 2. Explicitly state that the page or group has been created by USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work students and does not an officially represent policies, practices, or views of the School.
- 3. Open membership in any and all such social media groups to everyone.
- 4. Respect others' views and opinions.
- 5. Notify Student Organization and the Office of Student Services of the closure or deletion of any such page, account or group, and/or any administrative change for any such page, account or group.

By participating in the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work and its affiliate (Student Organization, caucuses and interest groups.) social media, USC students and other public users agree they will not do the following:

- 1. Post material that the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work and/or its affiliate groups determine is threatening, harassing, illegal, obscene, defamatory, libelous or hostile toward any individual or entity.
- 2. Post any identifying information about an individual or an entity (contact

information, Birthday, Social Security number, etc.) in the body of personal comments without consent.

- 3. Post material that infringes on the rights of the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work or any individual or entity, including privacy, intellectual property or publication rights. This includes the improper use of (but is not limited to) images, logos, videos, content, documents, and white papers, among other examples.
- 4. Post chain letters, post the same comment multiple times, or otherwise distribute SPAM.
- 5. Post comments under multiple names or using another person's name.
- 6. Allow any other individual or entity to use personal student identification for posting or viewing comments.

If a user is found to be in violation of any of these standards, the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work and its affiliate groups reserve the right to:

- 1. Ban future posts from people who repeatedly violate the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work's terms and conditions.
- 2. Remove comments at any time.
- 3. A meeting with the Director of Student Services.