



International House

International House New York Code of Conduct

Resident members (“residents”, “members”) of International House (“I-House”, “the House”) are carefully selected by the Admissions Committee to create a diverse community that is committed to the ideals of cross-cultural exchange, friendship, tolerance, respect, empathy and moral courage. Members must maintain ethical standards of conduct that are consistent with the educational and cultural objectives of International House. These standards involve, but are not limited to:

- A. Respect for the rights of others including the right to peaceful coexistence (e.g., study time and rest);
- B. No tolerance for verbal or physical violence; and
- C. No tolerance for violations of interpersonal integrity, such as sexual harassment and misconduct, stalking, or abusive or defamatory language to any member of the resident community or staff.

To ensure the safety and security of all members of the I-House community, residents must abide by the policies and procedures contained within the House resident membership agreement and the guidelines below.

1. **Membership.** Resident members must display their I-House membership card when entering the building. Membership cards may not be shared or given to others for use in accessing I-House facilities, benefits or services under any circumstances.
2. **Health and Safety Rules.** Resident members may not jeopardize their safety, or the safety of others, or behave in a manner that endangers themselves or the well-being of others. Residents must comply with I-House health and safety policies including non-smoking rules (based on New York City and State Laws), fire safety requirements and drug and alcohol policies (based on U.S. Federal Laws). Resident members are expected to abide by all U.S. federal, state and local laws.
3. **Public Safety.** Weapons of any kind -- including firearms, knives, explosives, fireworks, ammunition, or dangerous chemicals, or any substance or item that any reasonable person would consider having the possibility of doing bodily harm – are strictly prohibited on I-House property.
4. **Respect for One Another: Interpersonal Integrity.** Resident members must abide by the House’s Interpersonal Integrity Policy which governs the standards of respectful interpersonal dealings with others.
5. **Respect for Staff/Faculty.** Residents are expected to respect and comply with, and respond to, directions given by staff members acting in the performance of their duties.
6. **Respect for I-House Property and the Property of Others.** Destroying, defacing, damaging or stealing I-House property, or that of others, is forbidden. The improper use of I-House property, or that of others, is also prohibited.
7. **Peaceful Coexistence.** Quiet Hours on the residential floors are from 11:00PM to 9:00AM, however, noise that disturbs others at any time is unacceptable.



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8. **Activities Consistent With Not-for-profit Status.** Residences (apartments, suites and rooms) may be used for residential purposes only, i.e., no commercial or business activities are allowed.
9. **Proper Use of Information Technology and Electronic Resources.** Resident members must comply with the I-House information technology (IT) policy; the IT Policy governs the acceptable use of wireless services and other electronic resources.
10. **Guest Policy.** Resident members are required to comply with the I-House guest policy.

Living in a diverse cultural community requires a level of personal leadership and responsibility that International House believes each member of its resident community possesses. Lack of compliance with any of these policies may result in immediate termination of I-House membership and housing privileges.

By adhering to the International House Code of Conduct, resident members demonstrate their unwavering commitment to the high standards set out in I-House's vision, mission and values. International House extends its thanks to all members and guests for their continued cooperation in making International House a preferred place to learn and live.