



SUNY Orange Policy Manual

Policy Number	Policy Title
BP2.19	Conflict of Interest

In keeping with the College's position of public trust, all members of the College community must avoid any and all circumstances which could reasonably be interpreted as conflict of interest. Such circumstances are those which would interfere with the unbiased and objective performance of one's professional duties.

Faculty and staff of the College are encouraged to foster an atmosphere of academic freedom by promoting the open and timely exchange of scholarly knowledge independent of personal interests. In keeping with this obligation, they are also required to avoid conflicts of interest.

In order to avoid conflict of interest, the appearance of conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety, the Board of Trustees and employees of the College shall adhere to the following guidelines:

- Neither members of the Board of Trustees nor employees of the College shall have any pecuniary interest, directly or indirectly, proximately or remotely, in supplying any goods, wares or merchandise of any nature or kind whatsoever to the College
- Neither members of the Board of Trustees nor employees of the College shall solicit or accept any gift, favor, or other benefit, either directly or indirectly, for reward or promise of reward for influence in recommending or procuring any merchandise or service
- Neither members of the Board of Trustees nor employees of the College shall engage in other employment which interferes with the performance of their professional obligations
- Members of the Board of Trustees and employees of the College are expected to comply with the New York State Public Officers Law provisions on conflict of interest and ethical conduct, and all applicable laws or codes regarding ethical conduct

The Board of Trustees directs the President to develop such procedures as to fairly implement this policy.