

An Introduction to Judicial Affairs
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When students hear the words “Office of Judicial Affairs,” they may immediately think “that is the place you go when you get in trouble.” While there may be some truth to this, those of us here at JA like to think that what our office really does is provide students an opportunity to learn from their mistakes. We think of our interactions with students as an extension of your education here at Penn State. True, you may only enter the doors of 135 Boucke after getting caught doing something you probably shouldn’t have done. That doesn’t mean that what happens once you’re inside has to be negative.

Our office is responsible for holding students accountable for their behavior. The Code of Conduct is a list of behaviors you should avoid while you are here at Dear Old State. If you haven’t already read up on this, it is available on our website, www.sa.psu.edu/ja. While you’re there, take the “Know the Code” Quiz for a chance to win cool prizes.

Very important, but not as well known, our office also provides services to students who are the victims of other another student’s misconduct. If you ever find yourself in a position where something has happened to you or you want to hold someone else accountable for their actions, you can meet with a Judicial Affairs staff member. They can help you do so, and also point you in the direction of others who can help you.

If you have questions for us, stop in to 135 Boucke or drop us an email at AskJA@psu.edu. Remember to enjoy your time here at PSU, but enjoy it responsibly. The words (the real ones) to our alma mater include “May no act of ours bring shame.” Think of these words before you make a decision.

Until next time “For the Glory” – Know the Code.