



Student Grievance Procedures

Merritt College is committed to an educational environment that is free from interference and disruption, that fosters equity and mutual respect. Complaints, grievances or disciplinary matters should be resolved at the campus/district level. For a detail description of the types of grievances and procedures, consult the Merritt College Catalog.

TYPES OF GRIEVANCE

- 1) Academic Grade Grievances – This particular grievance is for the concern of a student who feels they have been unfairly graded whether through mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetence in the academic (grade) evaluation.
- 2) Student Grievances – If a student feels their rights have been violated or have felt harassed/threatened through either intimidation or physicality, then they are entitled by law or district policy to file a formal complaint through the student grievance form. This pertains to any alleged issues with financial aid, the right to freedom of expression, student conduct rules, college admission, probation, suspension, and/or dismissal policies.

Student Grievance Procedure does not apply to any of the following issues below:

- 3) Police Citations – Any matter involving a police citation, e.g. parking tickets, traffic violations, or other relatable citations must be directed to Peralta Campus Police at (510) 466-7236.
- 4) Discrimination, Sexual Assault, or Sexual Harassment - Any student who feels they have been or are presently an alleged victim of discrimination, sexual assault, or sexual harassment, may file a complaint to:

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