STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

The position and work of the Student Personnel Administrator is based upon beliefs that education encompasses the student's whole development towards full and balanced maturity, that each student's education is primarily his own responsibility, and that personnel services must function as an integral part of the total college program to further students' progress towards the objectives which the institution holds for them. He plans and works with faculty, staff, and students for recognition of these principles and for the services, programs, and facilities which implement them.

He contributes to students' understanding and acceptance of the standards, requirements and customs of the educational institution. At the same time, he attempts to have changed any policies, practices or situations which interfere with the students' wholesome growth and learning.

He takes an active part in providing competent professional services as they are needed by students in determining their individual goals and in solving the personal problems which are barriers to their educational progress.

Convinced of the need of students for competence and confidence in social relations, he promotes the development of a campus community which provides broad social opportunities for all students. He seeks also to provide opportunity for students to gain experience in democratic living, in self-determination, in cooperative endeavor and in leadership, and from that experience to learn a keen sense of responsibility for themselves and for service to others.

He helps to establish effective communication of student needs, interests and opinions to the faculty and administration, and communication of faculty and administration opinion and policy to students. He encourages personal relationships between students and faculty because he believes the knowledge and understanding gained is vital to the best work of both.

Because the relationship of college students to persons in authority may influence attitudes held through life, he takes active leadership to bring about the discharge of institutional responsibility according to established principles which are clearly stated, and insists upon fairness, honesty and due respect for the dignity and welfare of students.