

HACKNC 2024 CODE OF CONDUCT

HackNC is intended to be a fun, safe, and inclusive environment for hackers. To ensure that every hacker is given an equal opportunity in a welcoming environment, you must abide by the following guidelines. Participants are expected to follow these rules on all HackNC online platforms and at any HackNC events. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the event as well as future iterations of HackNC. Such disqualification would **include the removal of eligibility for project submission and swag shipment**.

COMPETITION RESTRICTIONS

Participation in the event is limited to currently enrolled undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate students who are at least 18 years of age (unless they are enrolled at UNC Chapel Hill). To ensure fairness during the hackathon, qualified entries are restricted to those started within the hackathon hours. Projects that contain code written before the official hacking start time will be disqualified; however, exceptions to this rule are made for publicly available open-source code and libraries. Submission of another group's or individual's work is considered cheating and will result in disqualification. Only **work built during the event** will be considered for prizes. The HackNC team reserves the right to disqualify projects for other forms of cheating not explicitly specified here. In particular, **misrepresentation of your hack, accidental or not, is considered cheating** (e.g. if you use an API or library in your backend and you do not disclose that you did not implement it yourself, you may be disqualified).

HARASSMENT

HackNC strictly abides by UNC's harassment policy (eoc.unc.edu/our-policies/ppdhrm/). Harassment includes but is not limited to **offensive conduct, inappropriate behavior, and unwelcome sexual attention**. This includes any improper verbal behavior related to gender, race, age, sexual orientation, disability, nationality, or religion. **ANYBODY** attending the hackathon is expected to comply with the anti-harassment policy. If a participant engages in inappropriate conduct, the HackNC team reserves the right to take whatever action it deems appropriate, including issuing warnings and disqualifying participants.

If you feel that you are being harassed, observe another person being harassed, or have any other concerns, please contact HackNC representatives at hello@hacknc.com.

If you are uncomfortable contacting the mailing list above, direct contacts are listed below:

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HackNC reserves the right to revise, make exceptions to, or otherwise amend these policies. If you have any questions regarding this code, please contact HackNC by email at hello@hacknc.com.