# **Graduate Climate Conference Code of Conduct**

The Graduate Climate Conference (GCC) is organized by graduate students, for graduate students, in order to build relationships and increase understanding and collaboration across all climate-related disciplines. To accomplish these goals, we have set the following ground rules, based on the American Geophysical Union's Scientific Integrity and Professional Ethics policy (https://ethics.agu.org/), to ensure a meaningful and comfortable conference experience for all.

## I. Expected Behavior

- Treat all GCC participants and any individuals associated with the GCC with respect and consideration. Recognize value in diversity of backgrounds and perspectives.
- Interact in a considerate, respectful, and collaborative manner. Communicate openly and with respect for others, critiquing ideas rather than individuals.
- Present your research findings accurately and objectively, acknowledging those who made significant contributions to your research. Respect others' requests for confidentiality during presentations of new or unpublished research.
- Meet new people! Consider reaching out to people you don't know whose talk, e-poster and/or workshop you enjoyed.

## II. Unacceptable Behavior

- Harassment (including sexual and gender harassment), bullying, physical or verbal abuse, or discrimination in any form will not be tolerated. Examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to:
- Verbal comments related to gender, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, national origin, or socioeconomic class;
- Harassment or intimidation by words, gestures, body language, or any type of menacing behavior;
- Inappropriate use of nudity and/or sexual images in public spaces or in presentations;
- Threatening or stalking any GCC participant, student host, staff member, or other individual associated with the GCC.

## III. Consequences

- Anyone requested to stop unacceptable behavior is expected to comply immediately.
- The GCC organizing team may take any action deemed appropriate, including immediate removal from the meeting without warning.
- We reserve the right to prohibit attendance at any future GCC.

#### IV. Reporting

- If you are the subject of unacceptable behavior or have witnessed any such behavior, please immediately notify at least one of the following:
- The GCC organizing team (gradclimateconference@gmail.com)
- Any of the GCC co-chairs individually:

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