STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT PROCESS

KEY TERMS

RESPONDENT
A student whose conduct is under review is referred to as a Respondent.

PREPONDERANCE
The standard of proof used throughout the conduct process to reach case resolution is preponderance of the evidence. This standard will be used to evaluate the evidence for purposes of making findings and drawing conclusions for an investigation conducted under the regulation. Meeting the standard constitutes a conclusion it is more likely than not that the alleged conduct occurred.

SANCTIONS
Violations of the Student Code of Conduct, will result in educational and/or disciplinary consequences called sanctions. Sanctions are designed with the intent of educating Respondents and protecting the ECU community.

Incident Report is submitted to the Office of Students Rights & Responsibilities (OSRR)

Pre-Hearing (Initial) Meeting

The OSRR Conduct Administrator will determine whether to pursue charges, based on information presented and discussed during the Pre-Hearing Meeting.

No charges pursued. Process ends and case is closed.

It is determined that a violation of the Student Code of Conduct did occur based on preponderance and the student is officially charged.

“Responsible or Not Responsible”

YES
Student accepts Responsibility and waives rights to an administrative hearing.
Sanctioning occurs. Student must complete sanctions by deadline. Process ends.

NO
Student does not accept responsibility. Student attends an administrative hearing.
Student is found “not responsible”. Process ends.
Student is found “responsible”. Sanctioning occurs.

Appeal Process

Once the case is closed and record is retained in the Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities.
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Faculty member finds an academic integrity violation and contacts the student to schedule a meeting.

Student responds to notice within seven (7) calendar days.

*Faculty meets with the student and makes a decision. The faculty's decision is sent to OSRR.

OSRR sends communication to student.

Student does not respond to notice within seven (7) calendar days. If the student does not respond during that time, the faculty can move forward in their absence.

Student does not appeal.

Faculty member sanctions are imposed.

Student appeals.

Academic Integrity Review Committee reviews the case.

Appeal granted.

Academic Integrity Appeal Board.

Affirm the faculty member’s decision.

Amend the original decision.

Not affirm the faculty member’s decision.

Appeal NOT granted.

Student has seven (7) calendar days to submit a 2nd appeal.

Faculty member sanctions are imposed.

Appeal not granted.

Faculty member sanctions are imposed.

Case is closed and record is retained in the Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities.

*NON-PARTICIPATING OBSERVER

The student and the faculty member may each have a nonparticipating observer at the initial meeting.

ECU'S ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

For more information, click here or visit http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/sonline/customct/currentfacultymanual/part16.pdf

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