

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
COMMITTEE ON STUDENT DISCIPLINE
(Final; Information)

SD.25.01 2024-2025 Annual Report of the Senate Committee on Student Discipline

This report summarizes the activities of the Senate Committee on Student Discipline (SD) during the 2024-2025 academic year. SD met on July 22, August 11, September 23, October 28, November 18, January 27, February 24, March 24, April 21, and May 12. More detailed information is provided in the minutes of those meetings.

I. ITEMS COMPLETED BY THE COMMITTEE

Student Disciplinary Procedure (SDP) Changes

On July 22, 2024, SD approved the changes to disciplinary procedures for the consolidation of Title IX procedures and non-Title IX sexual misconduct procedures into one appendix based upon the guidance of the Department of Education to be in effect on August 1, 2024. While these changes were reviewed, minor changes in other areas of the procedures were added or clarified.

Additional Guidance Requested for Student Organization Sanctions

On September 23, 2024, SD requested drafts of additional guidance to be written for student organizations. Staff were delegated to bring drafts back to SD for review.

Rolling Application Process

On September 23, 2024, SD approved the staff opening the acceptance of applications from interested students to expand the student pool on the various subcommittees.

Background Checks for Academic Integrity Violations

On October 28, 2024, SD suggested directing the Office for Student Conflict Resolution to not release first level academic integrity violations upon student disciplinary background checks. The instructor has already issued corrective measures, and their reporting to OSCR is merely for record keeping and documentation should repeat violations occur.

Public Comment Leads to Website Update

On November 18, 2024, it was proposed in public comment by the Illinois Student Council that FAQ's on OSCR's website about simultaneous conduct and criminal charges. SD agreed. It was also proposed that disciplinary proceedings be delayed until after criminal proceedings are resolved. SD disagreed.

Student Disciplinary Procedure (SDP) Changes

On January 27, 2025, SD approved the changes to disciplinary procedures for the reinstatement of separate procedures for Title IX and non-Title IX sexual misconduct cases into two appendices based upon federal court decision to invalidate the proposed changes by DOE that went into effect on August 1, 2024. Also changed with this update included complainants being defined as witnesses in non-sexual misconduct cases as the university is the complainant. This has implications for outcome notification. It was additionally defined that communication is emphasized occurs between OSCR and the student. OSCR will not send directly to the student's advisor, rather that responsibility falls to the student if they wish to share.

Sanctioning Guidance Pertaining to Petitioning Students

It was recommended that students who are not successful in petitioning to return to the University may petition again in two semesters unless there are extenuating circumstances that should be documented.

Updated Wording Suggested to Council on Student Expectations and Accountability

(SA) On February 24, 2025, SD proposed new wording to SA for 1-302.d (hazing) to better meet compliance for compliance with the new Stop Hazing act signed into federal law on December 28, 2024. It would expand the definition into several subcategories for better record retention on types of hazing. The proposal was ultimately accepted by SA.

Link to Sanctioning Guidance in all Allegation Notices

On February 24, 2025, SD approved the connection of a link in all allegation notices to the sanctioning guidance to better inform students to whom OSCR outreaches.

Sanctioning Guidance for Student Organizations

On March 24, 2025, SD received a proposal for sanctioning guidance by OSCR staff presented by Caitlin Kay to update guidance. SD tabled the proposal until new commentary was added to better instruct the subcommittee of its intention. This will be reconsidered in the Fall.

Email is the Official Communication Method

On April 21, 2025, SD affirmed SA's recommendation that email remains the official communication portal between the university and the student pertaining to conduct matters. Private emails or phone numbers cannot guarantee privacy.

College of Veterinary Medicine Conduct Procedures

On April 21, 2025, SD determined due to shortcomings of the current appendix pertaining to the professional school's procedures, appendix A will be suspended and replaced with Article II procedures until such time as the procedures are complete.

II. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE

Guidance for responding to organizational misconduct and better commentary on responding to physical guidance will be tabled until the fall.

The end of the year statistics can be found here:

[Academic Integrity](#)

[Student Disciplinary Statistics](#)

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