

STUDENT CONDUCT & GRIEVANCE

BP 5500 Standards of Student Conduct

References

Education Code, Sections 66300, 66301, 67386, 76033, and 76034; ACCJC Accreditation Standards I.C.8 and 10 (formerly II.A.7.b)

Students enrolling in Cerritos College assume an obligation to abide by all District regulations. Students who fail to adhere to District regulations are subject to disciplinary actions. Procedures for student discipline are found in Administrative Procedure 5520 Student Discipline Procedures. Conduct that constitutes sexual harassment under Title IX shall be addressed under Administrative Procedure 3434 Responding to Harassment Based on Sex under Title IX.

"Student" shall be defined as any person who has applied for admission, who is or has been enrolled, or who has expressed their intent to enroll for any college program within the District for the period in which the alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct occurred, and who maintains an ongoing relationship with the District.

The following conduct shall constitute good cause for discipline: while on District-owned or controlled property; at District-sponsored, supervised, and/or funded activities, including in an online environment; and/or when the conduct threatens the safety or security of the campus community whether or not the location is associated with the District.

Abusive Behavior & Violence

1. Assault, battery, or any threat of force or violence, or causing, attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to another person, including implied threats and/or inciting violence.
2. Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion.
3. Engaging in abusive behavior, including but not limited to coercion, sabotage, hazing and/or intimidating conduct through words or actions, including direct physical contact; verbal abuse, such as teasing or name-calling; social isolation or manipulation; and cyberbullying.
4. Violation of a duly issued restraining order, administrative no contact directive, stalking, and/or a pattern of conduct with intent to follow, alarm, or harass another person, and which causes the person to reasonably fear for their safety, and where the pattern of conduct persisted after the person has requested that the conduct cease.
5. Committing, or attempting to commit, the following acts, as defined by law or District policies or procedures: sexual misconduct, gender or sex-based discrimination or harassment, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking and/or retaliation. Engaging in the following behavior: video or audio recording sexual activity without consent, disseminating a sexual photo/ video without consent, allowing someone to watch sexual activity without consent of all partners, exposing oneself, voyeurism, and knowingly transmitting an STI without informing partner(s).
6. Conduct of a sexual, gender-based, or harassing nature, which is considered unwelcome if a person did not request or invite it, and considered the conduct to be unwelcome, undesirable, or offensive. Unwelcome conduct may be physically or psychologically threatening, harmful, or humiliating. Unwelcome conduct does not

have to include intent to harm, or directed at a specific target, or involve repeated incidents.

Discrimination, Harassment & Retaliation

1. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on a protected class as defined by law, District policy, or as outlined by the District's annual non-discrimination notice, or because they are perceived to have one or more of the foregoing characteristics or based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, or any other status protected by law.
2. Committing sexual harassment and/or misconduct as defined by law or by District policies.
3. Intimidation, harassment, or reprisal against an individual for initiating a good faith complaint, participating in an investigation, or for otherwise advocating for themselves or another person in accordance with campus policy.

Dishonesty

1. Dishonesty; forgery; alteration or misuse of District documents, records, or identification; or knowingly furnishing false information to the District.
2. Academic dishonesty which provides or facilitates an unfair academic advantage to oneself or others. Includes, but is not limited to: Plagiarism, in individual or group work or in a student publication, including the act of taking the ideas, words or specific substantive material of another and offering them as one's own without giving credit to the source; cheating; unauthorized discussion and/or collaboration; obtaining exam copies without permission; unauthorized use of notes, other information, or devices; and the unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any commercial purpose, of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten, electronic, or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any Board policy or administrative procedure.
3. Misrepresentation and/or impersonation, including arranging for or allowing another individual to impersonate or otherwise misrepresent themselves to be a student generally or to be a particular student either in person or in an online environment, and/or impersonating or otherwise misrepresenting oneself to be another person, and/or misrepresenting of oneself or an organization to be an agent of the District.
4. Unauthorized use of audio, video, or other listening, recording or transmitting device in any classroom, service area or District activity without prior consent of the instructor, service area manager, or activity advisor except as necessary for reasonable accommodation.
5. Unauthorized entry upon, into, or use of District facilities, either in person or in an online environment.

Disruptive Behavior & Willful Misconduct

1. Disruptive behavior, with or without intent, that includes but is not limited to: verbal or physical instruction, continual or willful disobedience, persistent defiance of the authority, habitual profanity or vulgarity, abuse of District personnel, interference of District instruction, activities, services, operations interference, and/or interferes with student's academic performance, or District employee's work performance.
2. Lewd, indecent, obscene, slanderous, or libelous conduct; or conduct that so incites students as to create a clear and present danger of

the commission of unlawful acts or violations of Board policies and procedures on college premises.

3. Failure to comply with the reasonable request of a District employee acting in the performance of their duties including but not limited to obstruction of a District employee in performance of their duties, and failure to identify oneself when requested to do so by District officials.

Health & Safety

1. Endangering, contributing to or causing harm to the health, safety, and/or well-being of a student (including oneself), client, patient, visitor or guest, or District employee, whether or not there was intent to endanger or harm.
2. Failure to comply with District and/or department regulations determined necessary to meet health and safety guidelines in specialized instructional areas and/or fields, including but not limited to use of equipment and/or clothing, practices and procedures, and instruction by District personnel.

Prohibited Items

1. Possession, use, sale, or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object or chemical, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive without the prior authorization of the President/ Superintendent or designee.
2. Unlawful possession, use, sale, offer to sell, or furnishing, or being under the influence of, any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the California Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind; or unlawful possession of, or offering, arranging, or negotiating the sale of any drug paraphernalia, as defined in California Health and Safety Code, Section 11014.5.

Property

Actual or attempted theft of or willful damage/vandalism to District property or property a member of the college community, or knowingly receiving stolen property or private property on District premises.

Violation of Law, Policy &/or Procedure

1. Violation of any federal, state, or local laws, Board policies, or administrative procedures in connection with participation in, attendance at, or use of District programs and services.
2. Violation of Board policies or administrative procedures governing the use of student user accounts, computers, and telecommunication resources, including but not limited to the unauthorized entry, opening, viewing, downloading, or printing of a file; the unauthorized use of another individual's identification and password; and/or use of computing facilities to interfere with the work of another student or employee of District.
3. Violation of Board policies or administrative procedures concerning the registration and operation of student organizations.
4. Violation of Board policies or administrative procedures concerning the use of District facilities.
5. Willful or persistent smoking, vaping, or e-cigarette use in any area where smoking has been prohibited by law or by regulation of the District.
6. Any other cause not listed above which is identified as "Good Cause" by the Education Code or that disrupts the college, its mission, or campus life.

Academic Honesty/Dishonest Policy

Your instructors are eager to help you succeed in your studies at Cerritos College. But success means more than just receiving a passing grade in a course. Success means that you have mastered the course content so that you may use that knowledge in the future, either to be successful on a job, or to continue on with your education in advanced classes.

Your success depends on a combination of the skill and knowledge of your instructors, and your own hard work. You will reach your future goals only if you gain new knowledge from every course you take. That knowledge becomes yours, and can be used by you, only if it is gained through your own personal efforts. Receiving a grade in a course, without acquiring the knowledge that goes with it, diminishes your chances for future success.

While in college, you are also shaping the principles which will guide you throughout the rest of your life. Ethical behavior and integrity are a vital part of those principles. A reputation for honesty says more about you, and is more highly prized, than simply your academic skills.

For that reason, academic honesty is taken very seriously by the Cerritos College faculty. The following guidelines have been prepared so that you will understand what is expected of you in maintaining academic honesty.

Academic dishonesty is normally to be dealt with as an academic action by the instructor, reflected in the student's grade in the particular course, rather than through college disciplinary procedures.

No specific departmental, divisional or institutional procedures are established for academic dishonesty other than the normal process for review and appeal of an instructor's grading procedures. However, plagiarism, cheating, and other forms of academic dishonesty are violations of the college's official Standards of Conduct.

Academic dishonesty is defined as the act of obtaining or attempting to obtain credit for work by the use of any dishonest, deceptive or fraudulent means. Examples of academic dishonesty would include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Copying, either in part or in whole, from another's test or examination;
- Discussion of answers or ideas relating to the answers, on examination or test when the instructor prohibits such discussion;
- Obtaining copies of an exam without the permission of the instructor;
- Using notes, "cheat sheets," or otherwise utilizing information or devices not considered appropriate under the prescribed test conditions;
- Altering a grade or interfering with the grading procedures in any course;
- Allowing someone other than the officially enrolled student to represent the same;
- Plagiarism, which is defined as the act of taking the ideas, words or specific substantive material of another and offering them as one's own without giving credit to the source.

Options may be exercised by the faculty member to the extent that the faculty member considers the cheating or plagiarism to manifest the student's lack of scholarship or to reflect on the student's lack of academic performance in the course. One or more of the following actions are available to the faculty member who suspects a student has been cheating or plagiarizing:

1. Review-no action.
2. An oral reprimand with emphasis on counseling toward prevention of further occurrences.
3. A requirement that work be repeated.
4. A reduction of the grade earned on the specific work in question, including the possibility of no credit for the work.
5. A reduction of the course grade as a result of item 4 above, including the possibility of a failing grade for the course.
6. Referral to the Office of Student Conduct and Grievance for further administrative action, such as suspension or expulsion.

Student Discipline Procedures

Student Conduct Programs should contribute to the teaching of appropriate individual and group behavior as well as to protecting the campus community from disruption and harm. The Programs should be conducted in ways that will serve to foster the ethical development and personal integrity of students and the promotion of an environment that is in accord with the overall educational goals of the institution. This procedure will be used in a fair and equitable manner, and not for purposes of retaliation. It is not intended to substitute for criminal or civil proceedings that may be initiated by other agencies.

These Administrative Procedures are specifically not intended to infringe in any way on the rights of students to engage in free expression as protected by the state and federal constitutions, and by Education Code Section 76120, and will not be used to punish expression that is protected.

The Office of Student Conduct and Grievances is responsible for the student conduct and sanctioning procedures of the college. Inquiries should be directed to the Office of Student Conduct and Grievances.

Student Conduct Procedures & Sanctions

Definitions

District: The Cerritos Community College District.

Day: A day is defined as any day Monday through Friday that all normal College business is conducted, both in the classroom and in the administrative offices. All weekend days and College holidays are excluded.

Student: Any person currently enrolled as a student of the District.

Instructor: Any academic employee of the District in whose class a student subject to discipline is or was enrolled, or counselor who is providing or has provided services to the student, or other academic employee who has responsibility for the student's educational program.

Written or Verbal Reprimand: An admonition to the student to cease and desist from conduct determined to violate the Standards of Student Conduct. Written reprimands may become part of a student's permanent record at the college. A record of the fact that a verbal reprimand has been given may become part of a student's record at the college for a period of up to one year.

Disciplinary Probation: A period on probation that may include, but is not limited to, exclusion of the individual from designated co-curricular activities of the college for a set period of time.

Removal from Class: Exclusion of the student by an instructor for the day of the removal and the next class meeting.

Withdrawal of Consent to Remain on Campus: Withdrawal of consent by the President/Superintendent or designee for any person to remain on campus in accordance with California Penal Code Section 626.4 where the President/Superintendent or designee has reasonable cause to believe that such person has willfully disrupted the orderly operation of the campus.

Short-term Suspension: Exclusion of the student by the President/Superintendent or designee for good cause from one or more classes for a period of up to ten consecutive days of instruction.

Long-term Suspension: Exclusion of the student by the President/Superintendent or designee for good cause from one or more classes for the remainder of the school term, or from all classes and activities of the college for one or more terms.

Expulsion: Exclusion of the student by the Board of Trustees from the District for one or more terms.

Short-Term Suspensions, Long-Term Suspensions, & Expulsions

Before any disciplinary action to suspend, or expel is taken against a student, the following procedures will apply:

Notice: The President/Superintendent or designee will provide the student with written notice of the conduct warranting the discipline. The written notice will include the following:

- The specific section of the Standards of Student Conduct that the student is accused of violating.
- A short statement of the facts supporting the accusation.
- The right of the student to meet with the Dean of Student Services or designee to discuss the accusation, or to respond in writing.
- The nature of the discipline that is being considered.

Time Limits: The notice must be provided to the student within 20 days of the date on which the administration of the college became aware of the conduct; in the case of continuous, repeated, or ongoing conduct of which the administration of the college has become aware, the notice must be provided within 20 days of the date on which the administration became aware that the conduct occurred which led to the decision to take disciplinary action.

Hearing Officer Meeting: The student is to have a hearing with the Dean of Student Services or designee serving as the district hearing officer. The hearing must occur no sooner than five days after the notice is provided. At the meeting, the student must again be told the facts leading to the accusation, and must be given an opportunity to respond verbally or in writing to the accusation.

Short-term Suspension: Within five days after the meeting described above, the President/Superintendent or designee shall, pursuant to a recommendation from the Dean of Student Services or designee, decide whether to impose a short-term suspension, whether to impose some lesser disciplinary action, or whether to end the matter. Written notice of the President/Superintendent's or designee's decision shall be provided to the student. The notice will include the length of time of the suspension, or the nature of the lesser disciplinary action. The President/Superintendent or designee decision on a short-term suspension shall be final.

Long-term Suspension: Within five days after the meeting described above, the President/Superintendent or designee shall, pursuant to a recommendation from the Dean of Student Services or designee, decide whether to impose a long-term suspension. Written notice of

the President/Superintendent or designee decision shall be provided to the student. The notice will include the right of the student to request a formal hearing before the hearing panel before a long-term suspension is imposed, and a copy of this policy describing the procedures for a hearing. The request must be made in writing to the Vice President of Student Services or designee.

Expulsion: Within 10 days after the meeting described above, the President/Superintendent or designee shall, pursuant to a recommendation from the Dean of Student Services or designee, decide whether to recommend expulsion to the Board of Trustees. Written notice of the decision shall be provided to the student. The notice will include the right of the student to request a formal hearing before the hearing panel before expulsion is imposed, and a copy of this policy describing the procedures for a hearing. The request must be made in writing to the Vice President of Student Services or designee.

A decision of the Board of Trustees to impose expulsion shall be reached no later than the next regularly scheduled regular meeting of the Board after receipt of the recommended decision.

Disciplinary Decisions, Sanctions, and Conditions

Written or Verbal Reprimand: May be initiated by any faculty or College manager and sent in writing to the Office of Student Conduct and Grievances. The Disciplinary Officer (Dean of Student Services or designee) shall determine if there exists good and sufficient reason to initiate disciplinary action and the student should be notified of such actions.

Disciplinary Probation: Initiated by the Dean of Student Services or designee. The nature of the misconduct, dates, times, places, and the length of probation shall be placed in writing. Written copies shall be sent to the student and copies filed with the Office of Student Conduct and Grievances.

Removal from Class (Education Code Section 76032): Any instructor may order a student removed from his/her class for the day of the removal and the next class meeting. The instructor shall immediately report the removal to the Faculty Coordinator for Student Conduct and Grievance and complete a Student Conduct Incident Form. The Faculty Coordinator or designee shall arrange for a conference between the student and the instructor regarding the removal. If the instructor or the student requests, the Faculty Coordinator or designee shall attend the conference. The student shall not be returned to the class during the period of the removal without the concurrence of the instructor. Nothing herein will prevent the Faculty Coordinator, or designee from recommending further disciplinary procedures in accordance with these procedures based on the facts which led to the removal.

Immediate Interim Suspension (Education Section Code 66017): The President/Superintendent or designee may order immediate suspension of a student where he or she concludes that immediate suspension is required to protect lives or property and to ensure the maintenance of order. In cases where an interim suspension has been ordered, the time limits contained in these procedures shall not apply, and all hearing rights, including the right to a formal hearing where a long-term suspension or expulsion is recommended, will be afforded to the student within ten days.

Withdrawal of Consent to Remain on Campus: The President/Superintendent or designee may notify any person for whom there is a reasonable belief that the person has willfully disrupted the orderly operation of the campus that consent to remain on campus has been withdrawn. If the person is on campus at the time, he/she must promptly

leave or be escorted off campus. If consent is withdrawn by the Dean of Student Services or designee, a written report must be promptly made to the President/Superintendent or designee.

The person from whom consent has been withdrawn may submit a written request for a hearing on the withdrawal within the period of the withdrawal. The request shall be granted not later than seven days from the date of receipt of the request. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this procedure relating to interim suspensions.

In no case shall consent be withdrawn for longer than 14 days from the date upon which consent was initially withdrawn.

All applicable conditions of a withdrawal of consent to remain on campus, suspension, or expulsion in effect when a break occurs in the conducting of College business (both in the classroom and in the administrative offices) remain in effect during the break unless specifically excepted in writing by the President/Superintendent or designee.

A withdrawal of consent to remain on campus, suspension, or expulsion prohibits both physical presence on the campus and at a facility or activity operated by the College and any type of online or distance education presence or participation in classes, activities, and/or operations of the College.

Any person as to whom consent to remain on campus has been withdrawn who knowingly reenters the campus during the period in which consent has been withdrawn, except to come for a meeting or hearing, is subject to arrest (Penal Code Section 626.4).

Clearance to Return: Prior clearance to return to the college (in-person and/or online) may be required. Clearance requirements may include completion of educational or other courses or processes as specified in the sanction decision. This requirement may include confirmation that the individual is ready for the college classroom and/or that the individual's continued presence on campus is not a threat to himself/herself, others, and/or the property of the District or others.

Hearing Panel

The hearing panel for any disciplinary action subject to hearing by a panel shall be composed of one administrator, two faculty members, and two students.

Unless he or she determines to keep the prior year's appointees in place, the president of the Faculty Senate, and the President of ASCC shall each, at the beginning of the academic year, establish a list of at least five persons who will serve on student disciplinary hearing panels. The President/Superintendent or designee shall appoint the hearing panel from the names on these lists plus the Dean of Student Services or designee. However, no administrator, faculty member, or student who has any personal involvement in the matter to be decided, who is a necessary witness, or who could not otherwise act in a neutral manner shall serve on a hearing panel.

The hearing panel shall be responsible to the President/Superintendent for reviewing and making a recommendation to the President/Superintendent or designee.

Membership of the Hearing Panel Shall Include the Following

1. Two members of the instructional staff appointed by the Faculty Senate.

2. Two ASCC Student Court Justices, or two other students who meet the minimum eligibility requirements to hold office in the ASCC if such justices are party to the matter at hand or are otherwise unavailable to serve, appointed by the ASCC Court Chief Justice or by the Associated Students President, if the Court Chief Justice is a party to the matter.
3. The Disciplinary Officer/Dean of Student Services or designee shall serve as the Chairperson of the Hearing Panel, but will not vote except to break a tie.

Procedures for a Hearing, Disposition, & Imposition of Sanctions

1. Written notice of a hearing shall be mailed or delivered to the student. A hearing must be held within ten days of the suspension if the suspension is immediate.
2. Notice shall include date and place of hearing, a statement of all charges, a copy of applicable policies and procedures, the opportunity of the student to appear in person, and the opportunity to present oral and documentary evidence.
3. Hearings shall be conducted in the manner consistent with the orderly conduct of the affairs of the College, and which seems to the hearing panel to be most conducive to the determination of the truth.
4. The members of the hearing panel shall be provided with a copy of the accusation against the student and any written response provided by the student before the hearing begins.
5. The facts supporting the accusation shall be presented by a college representative who shall be the Dean of Student Services or designee.
6. The college representative and the student may call witnesses and introduce oral and written testimony relevant to the issues of the matter.
7. Formal rules of evidence shall not apply. Any relevant evidence shall be admitted.
8. Unless the hearing panel determines to proceed otherwise, the college representative and the student shall each be permitted to make an opening statement. Thereafter, the college representative shall make the first presentation, followed by the student. The college representative may present rebuttal evidence after the student completes his/her evidence. The burden shall be on the college representative to prove by the preponderance of the evidence that the facts alleged are true.
9. The student may represent himself/herself, and may also have the right to be represented by a person of his/her choice, except that the student shall not be represented by an attorney unless, in the judgment of the hearing panel, complex legal issues are involved. If the student wishes to be represented by an attorney, a request must be presented not less than five days prior to the date of the hearing. If the student is permitted to be represented by an attorney, the college representative may request that legal counsel to the college participate in his/her place. The hearing panel may also request legal assistance; any legal advisor provided to the panel may sit with it in an advisory capacity to provide legal counsel but shall not be a member of the panel nor vote with it.
10. Hearings shall be closed and confidential unless the student requests that it be open to the public. If more than one student's case is under consideration, any and all such other students must also request that the hearing be open to the public in order to make it open to the public. Any such request must be made no less than five days prior to the date of the hearing. Requests contrary to state or federal law or to the safety of the college or participants shall not be approved, subject to appeal to the President/Superintendent or designee.

11. In a closed hearing, witnesses shall not be present at the hearing when not testifying, unless all parties and the panel agree to the contrary.
12. All testimony shall be taken under oath; the oath shall be administered by the hearing panel chair. Written statements of witnesses under penalty of perjury shall not be used unless the witness is unavailable to testify. A witness who refuses to be tape recorded shall not be considered unavailable for the purposes of this section.
13. The hearing shall be recorded by the District either by tape recording or stenographic recording. The official recording shall be the only recording made. No witness who refuses to be recorded may be permitted to give testimony. In the event the recording is by tape recording, the hearing panel chair shall, at the beginning of the hearing, ask each person present to identify themselves by name, and thereafter shall ask witnesses to identify themselves by name. The recording shall remain in the custody of the District at all times, unless released to a professional transcribing service. The student may request a copy of the recording. Transcripts may be redacted to comply with law, policies, and to protect the privacy and/or safety of individuals.
14. Within five days following the close of the hearing, the hearing panel shall prepare and send to the President/Superintendent or designee a written decision. The decision shall include specific factual findings regarding the accusation, and shall include specific conclusions regarding whether any specific section of the Standards of Student Conduct were violated.

The decision shall also include a specific recommendation regarding the sanction to be imposed, if any. The decision shall be based only on the record of the hearing, and not on matter outside of that record. The record consists of the original accusation, the written response, if any, of the student, and the oral and written evidence produced at the hearing.

President/Superintendent's Decision

Long-term Suspension: Within five days following receipt of the hearing panel's recommended decision, the President/Superintendent or designee shall render a final written decision. The President/Superintendent or designee may accept, modify, or reject the findings, decisions and recommendations of the hearing panel. If the President/Superintendent or designee modifies, or rejects the hearing panel's decision, the President/Superintendent or designee shall review the record of the hearing, and shall prepare a new written decision which contains specific factual findings and conclusions. The decision of the President/Superintendent or designee shall be final.

Expulsion: Within ten days following receipt of the hearing panel's recommended decision, the President/Superintendent or designee shall render a written recommended decision to the Board of Trustees. The President/Superintendent or designee may accept, modify, or reject the findings, decisions and recommendations of the hearing panel. If the President/Superintendent or designee modifies, or rejects the hearing panel's decision, he/she shall review the record of the hearing, and shall prepare a new written decision which contains specific factual findings and conclusions. The President/Superintendent's or designee's decision for expulsion shall be forwarded to the Board of Trustees.

Board of Trustees Decision

Expulsion: A decision of the Board of Trustees to impose expulsion shall be reached no later than the next regularly scheduled regular meeting of the Board after receipt of the recommended decision.

The Board shall consider an expulsion recommendation in closed session, unless the student has requested that the matter be considered in a public meeting in accordance with these procedures. (Education Code Section 72122)

The student shall be notified in writing, by registered or certified mail to the address last on file with the District, or by personal service, at least three days prior to the meeting, of the date, time, and place of the Board's meeting.

The student may, within forty-eight hours after receipt of the notice, request that the hearing be held as a public meeting.

Even if a student has requested that the Board consider an expulsion recommendation in a public meeting, the Board will hold any discussion that might be in conflict with the right to privacy of any student other than the student requesting the public meeting in closed session.

The Board may accept, modify, or reject the findings, decisions and recommendations of the President/Superintendent and/or the hearing panel. If the Board modifies or rejects the decision, the Board shall review the record of the hearing, and shall prepare a new written decision which contains specific factual findings and conclusions. The decision of the Board shall be final.

The final action of the Board on the expulsion shall be taken at a public meeting, and the result of the action shall be a public record of the District.

Time Limits: Any times specified in these procedures may be shortened or lengthened if there is mutual concurrence by all parties.

These procedures may change from time to time and may be superseded by current state and federal laws and regulations. Otherwise, the College Catalog, which is updated annually, contains the most recent information regarding student discipline procedures.

Also see BP 5500 titled "Standards of Student Conduct".

The Office of Student Conduct & Grievance

The Office of Student Conduct and Grievance is responsible for the student conduct and disciplinary procedures of the college. Inquiries should be directed to the Dean of Student Services in the Office of Student Affairs or by calling (562) 860-2451, Ext. 2472.