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Members of the Student Conduct Code Revision Workgroup

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Twenty four members from the following constituency populations:

- Students from Six Colleges
- SAAC Members
- Office of the Vice Chancellor – Student Affairs
- Office of Graduate Studies
- Graduate Student Association
- AS Student Advocacy
- Office of Student Conduct
- Office of Student Legal Services
- Resident Dean & Assistant Resident Dean
- Coordinator, Academic Integrity
- Dean of Student Affairs
- Provost
- UCSD Police
- Ombuds Office (ex-officio)
Introductions/Purpose

Why this presentation?

- Building awareness through a multi-phased consultation process across constituency groups.
- Highlighting key changes to the Student Conduct Code.
- Gathering feedback and suggestions - this revised, draft Code will shape our campus community and your feedback is important in the revision process.
Why revise the Student Conduct Code?

- Respond to student perceptions of a legalistic culture (Undergraduate Student Experience Survey, 2006).
- Create a process that engenders mutual trust and respect among students and staff and includes high student engagement and involvement.
- Underscore our community’s aspirational values while providing and easy-to-understand framework to guide actions and behaviors.
- Promote student development through an educationally purposeful process where students play an important role in the reinforcement of community standards.
- Demonstrate that UC San Diego is a caring community through the quality of our interactions with students accused of misconduct.
History of the *Student Conduct Code* Revision Workgroup

- **May, 2009**: Group charged by VC Rue.
- **July – August, 2009**: Developed a shared work space, reviewed literature, established timeline.
- **September – December, 2009**: Met weekly to discuss philosophy and best practices.
- **January, 2010 – January, 2011**: Drafts of specific sections authored by small writing groups and discussed multiple times with the larger group.
- **February, 2011 – Present**: Consulting with various groups throughout campus and gathering feedback.
- **Fall, 2011**: Complete consultations, summarize feedback, and modify draft for consideration by UCOP.
- **Fall, 2012**: Anticipated launch of new Code.
Highlights of the Draft Revision:
Introduction: Principles Promoting Student Responsibility and Integrity

Current Student Conduct Code

- The current Code does not have an “introduction” or statement of why having this type of document in our community is important.

Draft Student Conduct Code

- The UC San Diego community includes students, staff, faculty, and others who have a vested interest in the University. Members of our community, part of the larger University of California community pride themselves on academic, personal, and professional excellence and value integrity, accountability, and respect. UC San Diego’s Student Conduct Code underscores the pride and the values that define our community while providing our students a framework to guide their actions and behaviors.
Highlights of the Draft Revision: Jurisdiction

**Current Student Conduct Code**

- In the current Code jurisdiction mainly pertains to on-campus issues.
- The Vice Chancellor – Student Affairs makes the decision to confront issues off-campus.
- Off-campus conduct is confronted “under limited circumstances.”

**Draft Student Conduct Code**

- Statement about confronting off-campus conduct remained largely the same.
- New Code explicitly adopts statements in the revised Sex Offenses policy on the circumstances to be considered to adjudicate off-campus conduct.
### Highlights of the Draft Revision:
**Conduct in Violation of Community Standards**

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Highlights of the Draft Revision: Conduct in Violation of Community Standards

Current Student Conduct Code

22.16.10.13. Theft of, conversion of, damage to, or destruction of any UC or UCSD property or property of others while on UC or UCSD premises, or possession of any stolen property while on UCSD or University premises when the Student had knowledge or reasonably should have had knowledge that it was stolen.

22.16.10.30. Disorderly conduct involving drugs and alcohol such as, but not limited to, disorderly conduct induced by alcohol and/or a controlled substance as identified in Federal and State law or regulations, or unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, use, or sale of, or the attempted manufacture, distribution, dispensing, or sale of alcohol or controlled substances, as identified in Federal and State law or regulations.

Draft Student Conduct Code

Theft or attempted theft of property or possession of any stolen property.

Using, possessing, manufacturing, or distributing alcoholic beverages as prohibited by law or university policy (Alcohol Policy PPM 14.16)
Highlights of the Draft Revision:
Conduct in Violation of Community Standards

Current Student Conduct Code

22.16.10.31. Possession, use, storage, or manufacture, or attempted possession, use, storage, or manufacture, of fireworks.

22.16.10.32. Possession, use, storage, or manufacture, or attempted possession use, storage, or manufacture, of explosives, firebombs, or other destructive devices.

22.16.10.33. Possession, use or manufacture of a firearm or other dangerous weapons without the prior written approval from the UCSD Chief of Police.

Draft Student Conduct Code

Possessing or manufacturing fireworks, destructive devices, or weapons.
Highlights of the Draft Revision: Resolution Process

Current Student Conduct Code

- After an incident, the student typically meets with Dean/Resident Dean or Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies.
- Undergraduate students have the option to resolve the matter with a College Judicial Board.

Draft Student Conduct Code

- Process remains largely the same, however Student Conduct Administrators do have the option to resolve an issue without a disciplinary record being created.
- Options for students to go in front of a College Peer Board or Community Standards Board (campus wide review board).
- Student has choices in the process of how their issue will be resolved.
- Past disciplinary history of the student would be reviewed by a hearing board to determine a sanction recommendation.
Incident occurs on campus or off campus at a university sponsored event.

Report of incident arrives to the Dean of Student Affairs or the Resident Dean of the student's College of registration (e.g. RSO or RA/HA incident report).

The report is reviewed to determine if charges should be filed. The alleged violations are assigned.

The student is notified in writing of the alleged violations and instructed to meet with either their Dean of Student Affairs or Resident Dean (or designee) within ten academic days.

Student meets with their Dean of Student Affairs or Resident Dean (or designee.)

Case is informally resolved.
Student accepts responsibility for non-academic misconduct or the student is found not responsible for the allegation. If the student admits responsibility or is found responsible, the student may either complete the sanction(s) as assigned or appeal the sanctions.

Student appeals sanction(s)
Student appeals the severity of the sanction(s) to College Provost

Sanctions are upheld and the student is notified in writing.

Student appeals decision of the board.
Student appeals to their College Provost.

Sanction(s) are modified and the student is notified in writing.

Case is formally resolved.
Student denies responsibility for non-academic misconduct and requests the case be reviewed by a student judicial board.

Student is found responsible and completes disciplinary sanction(s) as assigned by their College Dean of Student Affairs or Resident Dean (or designee).

Student is found not responsible and the student's record is cleared of any allegations.

Insufficient evidence exists to support a violation of the Student Conduct Code.
Undergraduate Student Process

1. SCA assesses report of alleged violations
   - Disciplinary response necessary?
     - Yes: Board Review? (Student chooses.)
       - Yes: Appeal to Council of Provosts
       - No: Administrative Review
         - Yes: Community Standards Board
           - Yes: Appeal to Council of Provosts
           - No: Non-Disciplinary Options
  - No: Non-Disciplinary Options

2. Is the student at risk for separation?
   - Yes: College Peer Review Board
     - Yes: Appeal to Council of Provosts
     - No: Non-Disciplinary Options
   - No: Non-Disciplinary Options
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Student Organization Process

SCA assesses report of alleged violations

Disciplinary response necessary

Yes

Meet with AVC – Student Life to determine how the matter will be resolved.

No

Non-Disciplinary Options

Community Standards Board

Administrative Review

Appeal to Appeals Board

Appeal to Appeals Board
Highlights of the Draft Revision: Appeals

- Appeals heard by the College Provost (undergraduate students), Dean of Graduate Studies (graduate students), or VCSA (student organizations).

- Explanation of how a student appeals a decision or sanction and the grounds for an appeal convoluted.

Current Student Conduct Code

Draft Student Conduct Code

- Undergraduate student appeals reviewed by the Council of Provosts.

- Graduate student appeals reviewed by the Dean of Graduate Studies.

- Student organization appeals reviewed by the Appeals Board.

- Grounds for an appeal and possible outcomes for the appeal process clearly stated and detailed.
### Highlights of the Draft Revision: Disciplinary Records

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<td>□ Clear and detailed information on how long disciplinary records are kept active.</td>
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Summary

Why should anyone be interested or want to consider the revisions to the *Student Conduct Code*?

- The draft Code is the result of significant benchmarking with other universities and regular discussion with a wide range of students, staff, and faculty.
- The draft Code reduces legal jargon and connects behavioral expectations to the values of our community.
- The draft Code clarifies standards and violations in fewer words.
- The draft Code provides students with more choices in the resolution process.
Discussion/Feedback

If you would like to provide detailed or more extensive feedback visit this Web site:

Revisedcode.ucsd.edu

This link allows you to provide your feedback – you will have the option to identify yourself or submit feedback confidentially.