The Ohio State University  November 15, 2023
Board of Trustees

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING

Jeff M.S. Kaplan, chair
Elizabeth A. Harsh, vice chair
Elizabeth P. Kessler
Reginald A. Wilkinson
Michael F. Kiggin
Pierre Bigby
Bradley R. Kastan
Joshua H.B. Kerner
Susan E. Cole
Hiroyuki Fujita (ex officio)

Location:  Sanders Grand Lounge, Longaberger Alumni House
2200 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, OH 43210

Time:  2:30-4:30pm

Public Session

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Provost’s Report – Dr. Melissa Gilliam 2:30-2:45pm

2. Senior Vice President for Student Life’s Report – Centering Student Learning: The Student Employment Experience Program – Dr. Melissa Shivers and Dr. Anne McDaniel 2:45-3:00pm

ITEMS FOR ACTION 3:00-3:15pm

3. Approval of August 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes – Mr. Jeff Kaplan
4. Amendments to the Code of Student Conduct – Dr. Melissa Shivers
5. Faculty Personnel Actions – Dr. Melissa Gilliam
6. Degrees and Certificates – Dr. Melissa Gilliam

Executive Session
Academic Plan

Where we will focus to achieve eminence and excellence.
Building on Our Shared Academic Vision for Ohio State
Welcoming new faculty
Strategic Hiring Initiative for Faculty Talent
2023 Enrollment Highlights

• Columbus campus first-year retention rate increased to 94.2%

• Total regional campus and ATI enrollment grew

• New first-year students increased:
  • Regional campuses and ATI: 14.7% increase
  • Columbus campus: 0.2% increase

• Average student debt at graduation decreased for the sixth consecutive year
Student Technology Loan Program
New interface offers students personalized experience
2024 Civil Discourse Fellows

Kayla Anderson
Muheeb Hijazeen
Nora Igelnik
Mohamed Manaa
Sophia Markley
Tyler Monk
Sarah Spencer
Lillian Wang
Kirwan Institute’s 20th Anniversary
Welcome, Deanna Kroetz

• Dean of the College of Pharmacy, effective Sept. 1

• Joined from University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), where she served as professor and chair, Department of Bioengineering and Therapeutic Sciences in the Schools of Pharmacy and Medicine
Welcome, Kaya Şahin

- Vice provost for global strategies and international affairs, effective Nov. 1
- Will lead continuing efforts to develop and implement an evolving global strategy in collaboration with students, faculty, and staff
- Previously served as executive associate dean of Indiana University’s Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies
Thank you!

Centering Student Learning: The Student Employment Experience Program

Dr. Melissa S. Shivers
Senior Vice President for Student Life

Dr. Anne McDaniel
Associate Vice President for Strategy, Impact and Academic Partnerships
Student Employment

By the numbers

• Over 15,000 students employed across the university
  o 4,600 student employees in the Office of Student Life

Among students who work:

• 70% of students report they work to earn spending money
• 67% of students report working to pay for essential needs
• 37% of students report working for professional development purposes

(Student Life Survey, 2022)
Student Employment Experience (SEE)

**Employment**
Students learn on-the-job skills and identify transferable skills

**Development**
Professional development opportunities for supervisors and students

**Reflection**
Guided Reflection on Work (GROW®) to facilitate discussions and make connections between work, academics and future careers

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Impact of SEE

SEE participants are:

2.5x more likely to report that their supervisor helps them make connections between their work and life as a student.

1.8x more likely to report that they think about how their employment can benefit them in other areas of life.

1.8x more likely to have an above-average sense of belonging to Ohio State.

1.6x more likely to report that they were mentored by an employer.
Questions?
SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN

August 16, 2023 – Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee Meeting

Members Present:

Jeff M.S. Kaplan  Reginald A. Wilkinson  Susan E. Cole
Elizabeth A. Harsh  Pierre Bigby  Hiroyuki Fujita (ex officio)
Elizabeth P. Kessler  Joshua H.B. Kerner

Members Present via Zoom: N/A

Members Absent:

Michael Kiggin

The Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee of The Ohio State University Board of Trustees convened on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, in person at Vitria on the Square, 14 E. 15th Avenue, Columbus, OH, 43201. Committee Chair Jeff Kaplan called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION

Items for Discussion

1. Provost's Report: Dr. Melissa Gilliam kicked off the committee's public session with her Provost's Report, featuring updates on Ohio State's Academic Plan. Highlights included updates on the new Buckeye Precollege program, the Center for Software Innovation, and sustainability education and workforce development, and new deans Karen Rose (Nursing) and Jason Lemon (Online Learning). She provided an update on the university’s operational changes and processes following the U.S. Supreme Court's decision on affirmative action.

   (See Attachment X for background information, page XX)

2. Senior Vice President for Student Life's Report: Dr. Melissa Shivers highlighted a few key focus areas for the Office of Student Life for the 2023-24 academic year that centers around Student Life’s strategic goal of investing in student well-being. She shared how Student Life, in partnership with our campus community, is helping to set students up for success.

   (See Attachment X for background information, page XX)

Items for Action

1. Approval of Minutes: No changes were requested to the May 18, 2022, meeting minutes; therefore, a formal vote was not required, and the minutes were considered approved.

2. Resolution No. 2024-21, Approval to Establish a Doctor of Education in Teaching and Learning:

   IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN ECOLGY
The Ohio State University

Synopsis: Approval to establish a Doctor of Education in Teaching and Learning degree with a specialization in practitioner inquiry of equity-based advocacy in the College of Education and Human Ecology is proposed.

WHEREAS the need for such a program was identified through stakeholder engagement with department faculty and local educators, in addition to benchmarking programs at similar institutions; and

WHEREAS the new degree program will enhance the Department of Teaching and Learning’s engagement with school districts through teaching, research, and outreach; and

WHEREAS the program will draw on the expertise of the faculty to prepare educational professionals to develop knowledge, skills, and dispositions for transforming their communities toward equity-based advocacy; and

WHEREAS the program will require a practice-based educational research project to take place in school settings where the degree candidate involves schools and districts in the design and implementation of the project, thus respecting the district’s culture, strengths and assets; and

WHEREAS the program plans to focus locally within Franklin County’s 19 school districts for educators with master’s degrees looking to earn a doctoral degree, with the intent of expanding recruitment across the state and beyond; and

WHEREAS the proposal was reviewed and approved by the Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on February 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS the University Senate approved this proposal on March 23, 2023:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the proposal to establish a Doctor of Education in Teaching and Learning degree program in the College of Education and Human Ecology.

3. Resolution No. 2024-22, Faculty Personnel Actions:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the faculty personnel actions as recorded in the personnel budget records of the university since the May 17, 2023, meeting of the board, including the following appointments, appointments/reappointments of chairpersons, faculty professional leaves and emeritus titles:

Appointments

Name: SHEIKH AKBAR
Title: Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)
College: Office of Academic Affairs
Term: N/A

Name: FLOOR BACKES
Title: Professor (The Larry J. Copeland, M.D. Professorship in Gynecologic Oncology)
College: Medicine
Term: September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

Name: STEVEN BENGAL
Title: Lecturer (2023 Provost’s Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Lecturer)
College: Office of Academic Affairs
Term: N/A
Name: MICAH BERMAN  
Title: Professor (The Stephen F. Loebs Professorship in Health Services Management and Policy)  
College: Public Health  
Term: August 15, 2023, through August 14, 2028

Name: LIJUAN BI  
Title: Lecturer, Newark (2023 Provost’s Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Lecturer)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: NICHOLAS BREITBORDE  
Title: Professor (The Charles F. Sinsabaugh Chair in Psychiatry)  
College: Medicine  
Term: August 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

Name: STEVEN BROWN  
Title: Associate Professor-Clinical (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: AMY BRUNELL  
Title: Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: NICK BRUNELLI  
Title: Associate Professor (Ervin G. Bailey Chair in Energy Conversion)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: CHRISTIN BURD  
Title: Associate Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: CARLOS CASTRO  
Title: Professor (The Ralph W. Kurtz Chair in Mechanical Engineering)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: NATALIA HIGUITA CASTRO  
Title: Associate Professor (College of Engineering Innovation Scholar)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: WEI-LUN (HARRY) CHAO  
Title: Assistant Professor (Distinguished Assistant Professor of Engineering Inclusive Excellence)  
College: Engineering  
Term: August 15, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: TED CLARK  
Title: Professor (2023 Provost’s Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Lecturer)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A
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<td>Professor (Distinguished University Professor)</td>
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<td>GREG DAVIS</td>
<td>Professor (The George R. and Genevieve B. Gist Endowed Chair in Ohio State University Extension)</td>
<td>Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences</td>
<td>July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028</td>
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<td>LAURA DEETER</td>
<td>Professor (Sandy and Andy Ross Endowed Director of the Chadwick Arboretum and Learning Gardens)</td>
<td>Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences</td>
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<td>RACHEL GETMAN</td>
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<td>ERIC GREEN</td>
<td>Professor (Excellence in Veterinary Care Diagnostic Imaging Professorship in the College of Veterinary Medicine)</td>
<td>Veterinary Medicine</td>
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<td>Professor (Robert J. Lynn Chair in Law)</td>
<td>Law</td>
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<td>ELENA IRWIN</td>
<td>Professor (Distinguished University Professor)</td>
<td>Office of Academic Affairs</td>
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<td>JULIE JOHNSON*</td>
<td>Professor (Dr. Samuel T. and Lois Felts Mercer Professor of Medicine and)</td>
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Name: KAY BEA JONES  
Title: Professor (2023 President and Provost’s Award for Distinguished Faculty Service)  
College: Medicine  
Term: October 9, 2023, through October 8, 2027

Name: JOSHUA JOSEPH  
Title: Associate Professor (Endowed Professorship for Research in Internal Medicine)  
College: Medicine  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

Name: ZAK KASSAS  
Title: Professor (The Transportation Research Center, Inc. Chair in Intelligent Transportation Systems)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: STANLEY LEMESHOW  
Title: Professor (Distinguished University Professor)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: JASON LEMON  
Title: Dean and Vice Provost for Online Learning  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: July 1, 2023

Name: ZAIBO LI  
Title: Professor-Clinical (University Pathology Services Anatomic Pathology Professorship)  
College: Medicine  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

Name: TREVON LOGAN  
Title: Professor (ENGIE-Axium Endowed Professorship)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: August 15, 2023, through May 1, 2028

Name: STEVEN LOPEZ  
Title: Associate Professor (2023 President and Provost’s Award for Distinguished Faculty Service)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: BERNADETTE MELNYK  
Title: Professor (Vice President for Health Promotion and Chief Wellness Officer)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025

Name: TODD MONROE  
Title: Research Professor (Distinguished Professor of Aging Research)  
College: Nursing  
Term: April 24, 2023, through April 24, 2028
Name: STEVE OGHUMU  
Title: Associate Professor (Excellence in Research and Education Leadership Professorship in the College of Medicine)  
College: Medicine  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

Name: JOEL PAULSON  
Title: Assistant Professor (The H.C. 'Slip' Slider Professorship in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering)  
College: Engineering  
Term: September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: ASHLEY PEREZ  
Title: Assistant Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: DANIEL GALLEGO PEREZ  
Title: Associate Professor (The Edgar C. Hendrickson Designated Chair in Biomedical Engineering)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: STEPHEN QUAYE  
Title: Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: EDUARDO REATEGUI  
Title: Associate Professor (College of Engineering Innovation Scholar)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: KATELYN SWINDLE REILLY  
Title: Associate Professor (College of Engineering Innovation Scholar)  
College: Engineering  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: VINCENT ROSCIGNO  
Title: Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: ABDOLLAH SHAFIEEZADEH  
Title: Professor (2023 Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: JENNY SHELDON  
Title: Assistant Professor-Clinical (2023 Provost's Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Lecturer)  
College: Office of Academic Affairs  
Term: N/A

Name: PATRICK SOURS  
Title: Senior Lecturer (2023 Provost's Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Lecturer)
College: Office of Academic Affairs
Term: N/A
Name: HUAN SUN
Title: Associate Professor (College of Engineering Innovation Scholar)
College: Engineering
Term: August 15, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: PIERS NORRIS TURNER
Title: Associate Professor (2023 President and Provost’s Award for Distinguished Faculty Service)
College: Office of Academic Affairs
Term: N/A

Name: DEVINA PURMESSUR WALTER
Title: Associate Professor (College of Engineering Innovation Scholar)
College: Engineering
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: KARLA ZADNIK
Title: Interim Dean
College: Public Health
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, or until a new Dean is appointed

Name: PATRICIA ZETTLER
Title: Professor (John W. Bricker Professorship in Law)
College: Law
Term: August 15, 2023, through August 22, 2028

Reappointments

Name: STUART COOPER
Title: Professor (Distinguished Professor of Engineering)
College: Engineering
Term: September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: ISABELLE DESCHENES
Title: Professor and Chair (Bernie Frick Research Chair in Heart Failure and Arrhythmia)
College: Medicine
Term: August 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

Name: LIANG-SHIH FAN
Title: Distinguished University Professor (The C. John Easton Professor in Engineering)
College: Engineering
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: GERALD FRANKEL
Title: Professor (Distinguished Professor of Engineering)
College: Engineering
Term: September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2028

Name: ANDREW GLASSMAN
Title: Professor and Chair (Frank J. Kloenne Chair of Orthopaedic Surgery)
College: Medicine
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025

Name: WILLIAM MARRAS
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<td>Arts and Sciences</td>
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<td>BOYD PANTON</td>
<td>Professor (Lincoln Electric Company Endowed Professor)</td>
<td>Engineering</td>
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<td>MARK PARTRIDGE</td>
<td>Professor (The C. William Swank Chair in Rural and Urban Policy Fund)</td>
<td>Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences</td>
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<td>Professor and Chair (Jeffrey Schottenstein Endowed Chair of Psychiatry and Resilience)</td>
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<td>Professor (The Ford Motor Company Chair in Electromechanical Systems)</td>
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<td>BRIAN ROE</td>
<td>Professor (The Fred N. Van Buren Professorship in Farm Management)</td>
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<td>IAN SHELDON</td>
<td>Professor (The Andersons Endowed Chair in Agricultural Marketing, Trade and Policy)</td>
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<td>Professor (John C. Geupel Chair)</td>
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<td>MARCIA WORLEY</td>
<td>Professor (Merrell Dow Professorship in Pharmaceutical Administration)</td>
<td>Pharmacy</td>
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Extensions

Name: WENDY FRANKEL  
Title: Professor and Chair (Ralph W. and Helen Kurtz Chair in Pathology)  
College: Medicine  
Term: July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024  

*New Hire

Appointments/Reappointments of Chairpersons

PAUL BELLAIR**, Director, Criminal Justice Research Center, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

MARTHA BELURY, Chair, Department of Food Science and Technology, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

ADAM CARBERRY*, Chair, Department of Engineering Education, August 1, 2023, through May 31, 2027 (change of dates)

ISABELLE DESCHENES**, Chair, Department of Physiology and Cell Biology, August 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

HAROLD FISK (extension), Interim Director, Center for Life Sciences Education, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

BRIAN FOCHT, Interim Chair, Department of Educational Studies, August 15, 2023, through August 14, 2024

WENDY FRANKEL (extension), Chair, Department of Pathology, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

MARK FULLERTON, Chair, Department of Classics, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

BENNET GIVENS (extension), Secretary of the University Senate, OAA, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

ANDREW GLASSMAN**, Chair, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025

TIM HAAB, Interim Director, School of Environment and Natural Resources, August 15, 2023, through June 30, 2024, or until a new Director is named.

ELLY KAIZAR, Chair, Department of Statistics, July 15, 2023, through June 30, 2027

ANDREW LEBER**, Director, Center for Cognitive and Brain Sciences, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

KINH LUAN PHAN**, Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

JODI MCDANIEL, Director, Center for Healthy Aging, Self-Management, and Complex Care, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

HARVEY MILLER**, Director, Center for Urban and Regional Planning (CURA), July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

MARK PARTHUN**, Chair, Department of Biological Chemistry and Pharmacology, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027
PIERCE PAUL, Chair, Department of Plant Pathology, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

WILLIAM SCHULER, Interim Chair, Department of Linguistics, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

STEPHANIE SCHULTE, Interim Director, Prior Health Sciences Library, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

SCOTT SHEARER**, Chair, Department of Food, Agricultural, and Biological Engineering, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

DONGBIN XIU, Interim Chair, Department of Mathematics, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

**Reappointment
*New Hire

Faculty Professional Leaves

DONNA BOBBITT-ZEHER, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Marion, FPL for Spring 2024

QIAN CHEN, Professor, Department of Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering, FPL for Fall 2023, and Spring 2024

NJERI KAGOTHO, Associate Professor, College of Social Work, FPL for Fall 2023

KENNETH MADSEN, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, Newark, FPL for Spring 2024

MARK MITTON-FRY, Associate Professor, College of Pharmacy, FPL for Spring 2024

TASLEEM PADAMSEE, Associate Professor, College of Public Health, FPL for Fall 2023, and Spring 2024

KELLEY TILMON, Professor, Department of Entomology, FPL for Spring 2024

CHRISTOPHER WOLTERS, Professor, Department of Educational Studies, FPL for Spring 2024

Faculty Professional Leave Changes/Cancellations

HANNA CHO, Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Change of FPL from Fall 2023, and Spring 2024 to Fall 2023 only.

NOAH DORMADY, Associate Professor, John Glenn College of Public Affairs, Change of FPL from Fall 2023 to Fall 2023 and Spring 2024

KATHY FAGAN-GRANDINETTI, Professor, Department of English, FPL cancellation

KATHY NORTHERN, Associate Professor, College of Law, FPL cancellation

Emeritus Titles

DAVID APSLEY, Department of Extension, with the title of Associate Professor-Emeritus, effective September 1, 2023

BHAVIK BAKSHI, Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023
CHUNSHENG BAN, Department of Mathematics, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

WILLIAM BENNETT, Department of Radiology, with the title of Associate Professor-Emeritus, effective August 1, 2023

DAVID CLAMPITT, School of Music, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective June 1, 2023

JAMES COE, JR., Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

NENA COUCH, University Libraries, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective March 16, 2023

PAUL DE BOECK, Department of Psychology, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective August 15, 2023

ANNE DORRANCE, Department of Plant Pathology, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective September 1, 2023

MARTIN GOLUBITSKY, Department of Mathematics, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

DAVID GREENBERG, Department of Pediatrics, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

BARBARA KEYFITZ, Department of Mathematics, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

TERESA LANKER, Agricultural Technical Institute, with the title of Associate Professor-Emeritus, effective September 1, 2023

STEPHEN LESSNICK, Department of Pediatrics, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

KENNETH ALAN LOPER, Department of Mathematics, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective June 1, 2023

MARY ALICE MOMEYER, College of Nursing, with the title of Assistant Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective June 1, 2023

LYNN SCHOENFIELD, Department of Pathology, with the title of Associate Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

MICHAEL TWEEDLE, Department of Radiology, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

PAUL WAKELY, Department of Pathology, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective July 1, 2023

Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointments

ColLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
CLINICAL

REAPPOINTMENT
Lerche, Phillip, Veterinary Clinical Sciences, August 15, 2024
Action: Upon the motion of Mr. Kaplan, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson, the committee adopted the foregoing resolutions by voice vote with the following members present and voting: Mr. Kaplan, Mrs. Harsh, Ms. Kessler, Dr. Wilkinson, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Kerner, Dr. Cole and Dr. Fujita.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Kaplan, and seconded by Ms. Kessler, that the committee recess into executive session to discuss business-sensitive trade secrets required to be kept confidential by federal and state statutes, to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or imminent litigation, and to discuss personnel matters involving the appointment, employment and compensation of public officials, which are required to be kept confidential under Ohio law.

A roll call vote was taken, and the committee voted to go into executive session with the following members present and voting: Mr. Kaplan, Mrs. Harsh, Ms. Kessler, Dr. Wilkinson, Mr. Bigby, Mr. Kerner, Dr. Cole and Dr. Fujita.

The committee entered executive session at 3:11 p.m. and the meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.
AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

Synopsis: Approval of amendments to the Code of Student Conduct is proposed.

WHEREAS the University Senate, pursuant to rule 3335-5-48.4 (B)(8) of the Administrative Code, is authorized to recommend to the Board of Trustees the adoption of amendments to the Code of Student Conduct as proposed by the Council on Student Affairs and approved by the University Senate; and

WHEREAS according to the Code of Student Conduct and the Council on Student Affairs operating procedures, the Council is required to review the Code of Student Conduct every five years and present revision proposals to the University Senate and the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS the Code of Student Conduct Review Committee included representation from Undergraduate Student Government, Council on Graduate Students, Inter-Professional Council, Committee on Academic Misconduct, and the offices of Student Life, Legal Affairs and Institutional Equity; and

WHEREAS the proposed changes to the Code of Student Conduct were approved by the University Senate on October 26, 2023:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves that the attached amendments to the Code of Student Conduct be adopted as recommended by the University Senate.
CHAPTER 3335-23 CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT
As of September 11, 2023

3335-23-01 Introduction and purpose.

(A) The Code of Student Conduct, a part of the Ohio Administrative Code, is established to foster and protect the core mission of the university: to foster the scholarly and civic development of the university’s students in a safe and secure learning environment, and to protect the people, properties and processes that support the university and its mission. The core mission of the Ohio State University is to be the model public university dedicated to research, teaching and learning, and service. The university’s Shared Values define our ethical culture – for all students, faculty, and staff – in support of that mission. These values are:

- **Excellence and Impact**: Demonstrating leadership in pursuit of our vision and mission
- **Diversity and Innovation**: Welcoming differences and making connections among people and ideas
- **Inclusion and Equity**: Upholding equal rights and advancing institutional fairness
- **Care and Compassion**: Attending to the well-being of individuals and communities
- **Integrity and Respect**: Acting responsibly and being accountable

Our Shared Values support principles of open-minded exploration and freedom of expression, respectful and inclusive community, and caring relationships built on trust through honesty, transparency, and authentic engagement. Additional information can be found at www.osu.edu/shared-values.

(B) As members of the Ohio State University community, we strive to embody these Shared Values through our actions and conduct. The Ohio State University/Buckeye Honor Pledge’s purpose is to motivate reflection on our Shared Values and emphasize the importance of one’s personal commitment to ethics in education and learning. Instructors have the discretion to ask students to include a signed version of the pledge with examinations, papers, or other academic assignments/requirements. Additional information can be found at www.osu.edu/buckeye-honor-pledge.

The Buckeye Honor Pledge

As a Buckeye I pledge to act with responsibility and care. I will build trust through honesty, transparency, and authentic engagement. I will demonstrate integrity through my original contributions and respectful collaboration with others. I will act in accordance with the Code of Student Conduct. Time and change will surely show, I will uphold these values wherever I go.

(C) The ADA Coordinator’s office can provide accommodations based on the impact of a disability to students during the Student Conduct Process. Students are responsible for requesting these accommodations when they feel they are needed. Please contact the university’s ADA Coordinator’s office at ada-osu@osu.edu, or visit ada.osu.edu.

(Board approval dates: 4/6/2012, 2/22/2019)

3335-23-02 Jurisdiction.

(A) The Code applies to the on-campus conduct of all students and registered student organizations, including conduct using university computing or network resources. The Code also applies to the off-campus conduct of students and registered student organizations directly connected to:

1. Academic course requirements or any credit-bearing experiences, such as internships, field trips, study abroad or student teaching;
2. Any activity supporting pursuit of a degree, such as research at another institution or a professional practice assignment;
Any activity sponsored, conducted, or authorized by the university or by registered student organizations;

Any activity that causes substantial destruction of property belonging to the university or members of the university community, or causes or threatens serious harm to the safety or security of members of the university community; or

Any activity which could constitute a criminal offense as defined by local, state or federal law, regardless of the existence or outcome of any criminal proceeding.

The Code may be applied to behavior conducted online, via e-mail, text, or other electronic medium. Students should also be aware that online postings such as web postings and posts on social networking sites and applications are in the public sphere and are not private. These postings can subject a student to allegations of conduct violations if evidence of policy violations is posted online. The university does not routinely search for Code violations, but may take action if and when such information comes to the attention of university officials.

Students and/or registered student organizations may also be held accountable for the behavior of their guests or members when the student or members of the registered student organization has knowledge of, facilitates or contributes to the guest's or member's misconduct.

The Code governs all campuses of the university. Students attending regional campuses, centers, or institutes are advised to consult their local resources for additional information or rules pertaining to those locations.

The university reserves the right to administer the Code and proceed with the hearing process even if the student withdraws from the university, is no longer enrolled in classes, or subsequently fails to meet the definition of a student while a disciplinary matter is pending. The university may, within its discretion, place a hold or other notation on the student’s transcript while the matter is pending.

Students continue to be subject to federal, state, and local laws while at the university, and violations of those laws may also constitute Code violations. In such instances, the university may proceed with university disciplinary action under the Code independently of any criminal proceeding involving the same conduct and may impose sanctions for the Code violation even if such criminal proceeding is not yet resolved or is resolved in the student’s favor.

Discrimination and harassment, including, but not limited to sexual misconduct, based on a protected class in any form, is never acceptable. Students are responsible to know and adhere to the university’s Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct found at www.policies.osu.edu. This policy, and not this code, govern the investigation, adjudication, and resolution of protected class discrimination and harassment complaints.

3335-23-03 Definitions.

As used in the Code:

(A) "University premises" includes all lands, buildings, facilities, and resources owned, leased, managed, or operated by the university.

(B) "Student" includes an individual to whom an offer of admission has been extended, paid an acceptance fee, registered for classes, or otherwise entered into another agreement with the university to take instruction.

(1) Student status lasts until an individual graduates, is permanently dismissed, or is not in attendance for two complete, consecutive terms. Student status also lasts while they have a continuing educational relationship with the university.

(2) "Student" also includes registered student organizations. A student organization remains a student for purposes of this Code for one calendar year following the expiration of the organization's most recent registration.

(3) This Code also applies within the discretion of an appropriate university official to former students for violations committed while a student.

(C) "Members of the university community" includes, but are not limited to, students, faculty, staff, and visitors to the campus.

(D) "Complaint" includes information alleging a Code violation or other published rule, policy, standard, or guideline applicable to students, provided to the university, per paragraph (A) of rule 3335-23-05 of the Administrative Code.

(E) "Academic activities" includes any assignment, quiz, examination, candidacy examinations, laboratory, paper, report, field or placement work, submission, reading, seminar, presentation, or other educational activity that is required for a course or degree program.

(F) "Calendar days" refers to all seven days of the week without regard to whether classes are in session or university offices are open or closed.

(G) "Business days" include any day other than Saturday, Sunday, or days when university offices are closed as scheduled according to the university's academic calendar found at registrar.osu.edu/staff/bigcal.asp.

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**3335-23-04 Prohibited conduct.**

Any student found to have engaged, or attempted to engage, in any of the following conduct while within the university’s jurisdiction, as set forth in rule 3335-23-02 of the Administrative Code, will be subject to disciplinary action by the university. For the purposes of this section, attempt shall be defined as conduct that, if successful, would constitute or result in the prohibited conduct.

(B) *Academic misconduct.*

Any activity that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the university or subvert the educational process. Examples of academic misconduct include, but are not limited to:

1. Violation of course rules and/or assignment guidelines as contained in the course syllabus or other information provided to the student;
2. Knowingly requesting, providing, and/or receiving unauthorized information, materials, and/or assistance during academic activities;
3. Possession and/or use of unauthorized information, materials, and/or assistance during academic activities;
4. Submitting plagiarized work for an academic requirement. Plagiarism is the representation, including but not limited to copying, of another’s work or ideas as one’s own; it includes the unacknowledged word-for-word use and/or paraphrasing of another person’s work, and/or the inappropriate unacknowledged use of another person’s ideas;
5. Unauthorized use of generative artificial intelligence systems or similar technologies to complete academic activities;
6. Submitting substantially the same work to satisfy requirements for one course or academic requirement that has been submitted in satisfaction of requirements for another course or academic requirement, without permission of the instructor of the course for which the work is being submitted or supervising authority for the academic requirement. This includes submitting the same work for courses that the student is retaking pursuant to the university’s grade forgiveness rule;
7. Falsification, fabrication, or dishonesty in creating or reporting laboratory results, research results, and/or academic activities;
8. Serving as, or enlisting the assistance of a substitute for a student in academic activities;
9. Alteration of grades or marks by the student in an effort to change the earned grade or credit;
10. Alteration of academically-related university forms or records, or unauthorized use of those forms or records;
11. Engaging in activities that unfairly place other students at a disadvantage, including but not limited to taking, hiding, or altering resource material, or manipulating a grading system;
12. Violation of program regulations and/or policies as established by departmental committees and made available to students; and
13. Providing falsified materials, documents, or records to a university official to meet academic qualifications, criteria, or requirements, including but not limited to submitting falsified doctor’s notes and/or falsified transcripts.
(C) Endangering health or safety.

   (1) Endangering behavior: Taking or threatening action that endangers the safety, physical or mental health, or life of any person, or creates a reasonable fear of such action.

   (2) Stalking: Engaging in a pattern of unwanted conduct directed at another person that threatens or endangers the safety, physical or mental health, or life or property of that person, or creates a reasonable fear of such a threat or action. When stalking is sex- or gender-based, it falls under the university’s Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct policy.

   (3) Operating a vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs in a manner that endangers the safety of the university community.

(D) Destruction of property.

Actual or threatened damage to or destruction of university property or property of others, whether done intentionally or with reckless disregard.

(E) Dangerous weapons or devices.

Storage, or possession of dangerous weapons, devices, or substances including, but not limited to, firearms, ammunition, or fireworks, unless authorized by an appropriate university official or permitted by a university policy, even if otherwise permitted by law. Use or misuse of weapons, devices, or substances in a manner that causes or threatens serious harm to the safety or security of others. As required by Ohio Revised Code Section 2923.1210, this section does not prohibit a student who has been issued a valid concealed handgun license from transporting or storing a firearm or ammunition when both of the following conditions are met:

   (1) Each firearm and all of the ammunition remains inside the person’s privately-owned motor vehicle while the person is physically present inside the motor vehicle, or each firearm and all of the ammunition is locked within the trunk, glove box, or other enclosed compartment or container within or on the person’s privately-owned motor vehicle;

   (2) The vehicle is in a location where it is otherwise permitted to be.

(F) Dishonest conduct.

Dishonest conduct, including, but not limited to, knowingly reporting a false emergency; knowingly making false accusation of misconduct; misuse or falsification of university or related documents by actions such as forgery, alteration, or improper transfer; possession, use or manufacturing of a false identification document; submission of information known by the submitter to be false to a university official.

(G) Theft or unauthorized use of property.

Theft or the unauthorized use or possession of university property, services, resources, or the property of others.

(H) Failure to comply with university or civil authority.

Failure to comply with legitimate directives of authorized university officials, law enforcement or emergency personnel, identified as such, in the performance of their duties, including failure to identify oneself when so requested; or violation of the terms of a disciplinary sanction.

(I) Drugs.

Use, being under the influence of, production, distribution, sale, or possession of drugs, and/or drug paraphernalia in a manner prohibited under law or applicable university policy or university facility policy, such as within the Ohio Stadium and the Schottenstein Center. This includes, but is not limited to, the misuse of prescription drugs.
(J) Alcohol.

Use, underage intoxication, production, distribution, sale, or possession of alcohol in a manner prohibited under law or applicable university policy or university facility policy, such as within the Ohio Stadium and the Schottenstein Center.

(K) Unauthorized presence.

Unauthorized entrance to or presence in or on university premises.

(L) Disorderly or disruptive conduct.

Disorderly or disruptive conduct that unreasonably interferes with university activities or with the legitimate activities of any member of the university community.

(M) Hazing.

Doing, requiring, or encouraging any act, whether or not the act is voluntarily agreed upon, tied to initiation, continued membership, or participation in any group, that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm or humiliation. Such acts may include, but are not limited to, using alcohol, creating excessive fatigue, and paddling, punching, or kicking in any form. Failure to intervene, prevent, or report acts of hazing may constitute a violation of this section.

(N) Student conduct system abuse.

Abuse of any university student conduct system, including, but not limited to:

(1) Failure to obey the summons or directives of a hearing body, as defined in 3335-23-10, or university official;

(2) Falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation of information before a hearing body, as defined in 3335-23-10, or university official;

(3) Disruption or interference with the orderly conduct of a student conduct proceeding;

(4) Knowingly instituting a student conduct proceeding without cause;

(5) Discouraging an individual’s proper participation in, or use of, a university student conduct system;

(6) Influencing the impartiality of a member of a hearing body, as defined in 3335-23-10, prior to, and/or during the course of a student conduct proceeding;

(7) Harassment and/or intimidation of a member of a hearing body, as defined in 3335-23-10, or university official prior to, during, and/or after a student conduct proceeding;

(8) Failure to comply with one or more sanctions imposed under the code of student conduct; and

(9) Influencing another person to commit an abuse of a university student conduct system.

(O) Violation of university rules or federal, state, and local laws.

Violation of other published university rules, policies, standards, and/or guidelines, including, but not limited to, those which prohibit the misuse of computing resources, rules for student groups or organizations, and residence hall rules and regulations. Students may be held accountable under the procedures described in other published rules, policies, standards and guidelines and under the provisions of this Code regardless of whether action is undertaken under this Code. Students are responsible for reviewing and understanding the rules, standards and guidelines provided to them by their academic programs and colleges. Applicable policies are found at www.policies.osu.edu.
Conviction or acceptance of responsibility – including a judicial finding of guilt, pleas of no contest or "no-lo contendere" – for state, local or federal crimes when the underlying behavior has a substantial connection or relationship to the university’s property, programs or could reasonably impact the health, safety, or security of members of the university community.

(P) Riotous behavior.

(1) Participation in a disturbance with the purpose to commit or incite any action that presents a clear and present danger to others, causes physical harm to others, or damages property.

(2) Proscribed behavior in the context of a riot includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Knowingly engaging in conduct designed to incite another to engage in riotous behavior; and

(b) Actual or threatened damage to or destruction of university property or property of others, whether done intentionally or with reckless disregard; and

(c) Failing to comply with a directive to disperse by university officials, law enforcement or emergency personnel; and

(d) Making explicit or implied threats in a manner that causes a reasonable fear of harm in another; and

(e) Impeding, hindering, or obstructing a university official, law enforcement, or emergency personnel in the performance of their duties.

(3) This rule shall not be interpreted as proscribing peaceful demonstrations, peaceful picketing, a call for a peaceful boycott, or other forms of peaceful dissent.

(Q) Recording or distribution without knowledge.

Using electronic or other means to make or distribute a video, audio, or photographic record of any person in a location where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy without the person’s prior knowledge, when such a recording is likely to cause injury, distress, or damage to reputation. This includes, but is not limited to, taking video, audio, or photographic records in shower/locker rooms, residence hall rooms, and restrooms. The storing, sharing, and/or distributing of such unauthorized records by any means is also prohibited.

(R) Public urination or defecation.

Urination or defecation in a place such as a sidewalk, street, park, alley or yard, residence hall space, or on any other place or physical property that is not intended for use as a restroom.

(S) Retaliation.

Any intentional adverse action against any individual who makes an allegation, files a report, serves as a witness, assists a complainant or respondent, or participates in any university investigation or proceeding.

(T) Harm to Animals

Intentional physical harm or threats of harm to animals, including but not limited to companion animals, service animals, service animals in training, or emotional support animals. Lawful hunting and fishing is not prohibited by this Code. The care and use of animals involved in research activities is governed by the Office of Responsible Research Practices Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and not this Code.
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3335-23-05 Initiation, inquiry and investigation of code violations.

(A) Initiation.

Person(s) who witness, experience or become aware of what they believe to be a possible Code violation should provide information to the following officials or offices.

1. Complaints about possible Code violations occurring in residence halls should be reported to the residence hall director;
2. Complaints about possible non-residence-hall-related Code violations should be reported to the Office of Student Conduct, or chief student conduct officer for the regional campuses;
3. Complaints about possible sexual misconduct should be reported pursuant to the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy;
4. Complaints about possible protected class discrimination or harassment should be reported pursuant to Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy;
5. Complaints regarding academic misconduct should be reported to the Committee on Academic Misconduct; and
6. In cases when the alleged activity may involve a violation of criminal law in addition to a Code violation, complaints should be reported to the university police division or other appropriate law enforcement agency.

(B) Preliminary inquiry.

The university conducts a preliminary inquiry into the nature of the incident, complaint or notice, jurisdiction, available information, and involved parties. Within the university’s discretion, the preliminary inquiry may lead to:

1. A determination that there is insufficient information to pursue the investigation, or the behavior alleged, even if proven, would not violate the Code;
2. An informal resolution such as an educational discussion or mediation. An educational discussion is a discussion about the student’s behavior and its impact. Informal resolution is not available in cases of academic misconduct.
3. An investigation and/or initiation charges.

Typically, an informal resolution will end the conduct process, but if more information is shared during an educational discussion or informal resolution that warrants additional inquiry, an investigation may be initiated.

(C) Investigation.

1. Role of the university.

(a) The director of student conduct, the chief conduct officer for the regional campuses, residence hall directors, assistant hall directors and other designated university personnel are authorized to investigate alleged violations other than those involving subsections (b) and (c) of this paragraph;
(b) The coordinator of the committee on academic misconduct and other designated university personnel are authorized to investigate allegations involving academic misconduct;

(c) Only those personnel designated by the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy, shall investigate charges involving sexual misconduct.

(d) Only those personnel designated by the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy shall investigate charges involving protected class discrimination or harassment.

(e) The Ohio State University police or other appropriate law enforcement agency shall have primary responsibility for the criminal investigation of acts that involve suspected criminal violation of federal, state or local laws. Such investigation does not replace any other university investigation.

(f) The university may conduct concurrent investigations regarding potential violations of institutional policy or federal, state and local law.

(2) Role of participants.

(a) During the investigation, the student allegedly involved in misconduct may be:
   i. Notified of the alleged violation;
   ii. Requested to make an appointment to discuss the matter; and
   iii. Provided a date by which the appointment must be made.

(b) Any person believed to have information relevant to an investigation may also be contacted and requested to make an appointment to discuss the matter.

(3) Failure to comply with a request to make and/or keep an appointment relevant to an investigation may result in a disciplinary hold being placed on a respondent’s registration and records and/or the initiation of charges for student conduct system abuse.

(4) Upon completion of an investigation, the investigator will decide upon an appropriate course of action, which may include, but is not limited to:

   (a) Taking no further action and closing the case;
   (b) Deferring initiation of charges with or without conditions;
   (c) Seeking informal resolution; or
   (d) Initiating charges by the appropriate university official when a finding of jurisdiction has been made and there is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of the code may have occurred. Reasonable cause is defined as some credible information to support each element of the violation, even if that information is merely a credible witness or a victim’s statement. Charges will not be issued where a complaint is unsupported by any credible information or does not meet the elements of a Code violation.


3335-23-06 Amnesty.

At the university’s discretion, amnesty may be extended to students who may be hesitant to report a Code violation to university officials because they fear that they themselves may be accused of minor policy
violations, including but not limited to underage drinking, at the time of the incident. If a student is granted amnesty, an educational discussion or other informal resolution may be considered, but no university conduct proceedings under this code will result.

At the university’s discretion, amnesty may also be extended on a case-by-case basis for minor policy violations when students request assistance for others in need, including the person receiving assistance. If a student is granted amnesty, an educational discussion or other informal resolution may be considered, but no university conduct proceedings under this Code will result. In cases of academic misconduct, need does not include a student's inability to complete an assignment without assistance.

(Board approval dates: 5/31/2019)

3335-23-07 Filing of complaint and initiation of charges.

A complaint alleging a Code violation should be made to the university as soon as practicable in accordance with paragraph (A) of Rule 3335-23-05 of the Administrative Code. Absent extraordinary circumstances, the university will not take action on complaints filed more than six months from the discovery of non-academic misconduct (paragraphs (B) to (S) of rule 3335-23-04 of the Administrative Code) or thirty business days for academic misconduct (paragraph (A) of rule 3335-23-04 (A) of the Administrative Code). These time limitations do not apply to complaints of sexual misconduct or other protected class discrimination and harassment.

Absent extraordinary circumstances, the university must initiate charges, if any, within one year of the filing of the complaint. This time limitation does not apply to complaints of sexual misconduct or other protected class discrimination and harassment. In all cases, a student charged with one or more Code violations has the right to be heard, subject to the student conduct procedures.


3335-23-08 Notice of charges and options for resolution.

(A) Notification.

Students shall be notified of university charges in writing. Written charges may be presented in person, by placement in the respondent's residence hall mailbox, by email to the respondent's official university email address (which may direct the student to view the notice on a secure website), by text message, by other form of electronic communication specific to the student on file with the university registrar, or by mail to the respondent's local or permanent address on file in the office of the university registrar.

(B) Current address.

All students are required to maintain an accurate and current permanent address and phone number with the university registrar.

(C) Meeting with university official.

Following notification of charges, respondents are strongly encouraged to and shall be given the opportunity to meet with a university official for the purpose of explaining the university student conduct process and discussion of the charges.

(D) Options for resolution.

Charges may be resolved by administrative decision pursuant to 3335-23-09 or a hearing pursuant to 3335-23-10.
(E) Failure to respond.

Failure of the respondent to respond to the initiation of charges or schedule a preliminary meeting within the deadlines provided by the university shall in no way prevent the university from scheduling and conducting a hearing in the absence of the respondent.


3335-23-09 Administrative decision.

In a case where a respondent admits to a violation(s) in writing, the student may request in writing to have a decision as to appropriate sanction made administratively by a hearing officer rather than have the charges referred to a hearing body. In such situations, the student waives the right to a hearing and the related procedural guarantees provided by a hearing body. Administrative decisions in academic misconduct cases involving graduate students may be made in consultation with the graduate school. Following an administrative decision, the student retains the right to request an appeal (see Administrative Code Section 3335-23-18) of the original decision. Appeals following an administrative decision may only be requested on the ground that the sanction is grossly disproportionate to the violation committed.

When a respondent fails to respond to the initiation of charges and information exists to support finding a violation, the hearing officer may issue an administrative decision so long as sanctions do not include suspension or dismissal. In this circumstance, the respondent retains the right to request an appeal of the decision under all grounds found in Administrative Code Section 3335-23-18. If the respondent is suspended or dismissed in a subsequent case, the respondent may appeal both the outcome in the subsequent case and an administrative decision issued due to a failure to respond.


3335-23-10 Hearing bodies.

(A) The respondent has the right to accept responsibility for the charges, which will result in an administrative decision, or choose to have a hearing.

(B) In addition to the Committee on Academic Misconduct and the University Conduct Board, the following university employees/officials are considered official university hearing bodies and may conduct administrative hearings of alleged Code violations affording the respondent the same procedural guarantees as provided in the hearings conducted by a committee or board:

(1) The director of student conduct, or designee;

(2) The coordinator of the committee on academic misconduct, or designee;

(3) University housing professional staff; and

(4) The chief conduct officer for the regional campuses.

(C) Students will be afforded the right to request a separate hearing and choose an administrative or board hearing, except under special circumstances when, in order to ensure a fair and just process, the hearing officer may determine the appropriate hearing body. Special circumstances include but are not limited to situations when multiple respondents are charged arising from the same factual circumstances or in multiple incidents involving the same respondent. The university reserves the right to combine hearings for respondents.

3335-23-11 Notice of hearing and request for postponement.

(C) Notice.

If a hearing is to be held, written notification will be provided to the respondent. The notice may be delivered, placed into a student’s residence hall mailbox, sent by email to the student’s official university email address or sent by text message, which may direct the student to view the notice on a secure website, or mailed to the last known address of the student, by first-class mail, no fewer than ten calendar days prior to the hearing. Unless already provided to the student, the notification will include the charge(s), date, time, and location of the hearing, the designated hearing body, a statement of the student’s rights, and information on the hearing procedures.

(D) Postponement.

The respondent may request a postponement for reasonable cause, which may be granted at the university’s discretion. A request for a postponement for reasonable cause must be made in writing, include supporting rationale and be received by the person sending the hearing notification at least two business days before the scheduled hearing. The university reserves the right to reschedule a hearing for the first appropriate available date.


3335-23-12 Hearing procedures.

Although the procedural requirements are not as formal as those existing in criminal or civil courts of law, to ensure fairness, the following procedures will apply and, unless already provided to the student, be included within the hearing notice:

(A) Attendance.

Attendance at hearings is limited to those directly involved or those requested by the hearing body to attend. The hearing body will take reasonable measures to assure an orderly hearing, including removal of persons who impede or disrupt proceedings.

(B) Timelines.

Except as expressly provided by this Code, the university may set deadlines related to the investigation and hearing process. Absent extraordinary circumstances, respondents must submit all witness names and evidence for submission at least two business days prior to a scheduled hearing.

(C) Advisor.

The respondent may choose to bring an advisor for support throughout the disciplinary process. The advisor (i.e., support person) may be any person other than a witness. The advisor may only counsel the student and may not actively participate in the disciplinary process, unless the hearing body determines that clarification is needed.

(D) Witnesses.

(1) The respondent may invite relevant factual witnesses to attend, ask questions of witnesses called by others, and will be notified of potential witnesses to be called.

(2) The university may present witnesses, question those presented by the respondent and will notify the respondent of invited witnesses.

(3) Respondents may also invite up to three character witnesses to submit written statements for the hearing body’s review. A character witness is a person who attests to another’s moral conduct and reputation. Character witness statements will only be considered during sanctioning process if a violation is found.
(4) Expert witnesses are not permitted. In cases requiring special expertise, the hearing body may appoint individuals with appropriate expertise to serve as consultants to the hearing body. The consultant may be present and provide information as called upon during the hearing but will not vote.

(E) Standard of evidence.

A student will only be found in violation if a preponderance of evidence supports the charges.

(F) Majority vote required.

A student will not be found in violation unless a majority of the hearing body finds the student in violation. In the event of a tie, the hearing body will continue to deliberate. If after the hearing body determines that exhaustive deliberations have occurred and a majority decision is not reached, the student will be found not in violation.

(G) In cases where prompt review is essential (e.g., when graduation or the end of the academic year is imminent) the respondent may be offered the option of an administrative review consisting of an administrative decision or administrative hearing. The respondent may decline such expedited review without the expectation that the process can be completed on an expedited timeline.


3335-23-13 Attendance.

Because the most accurate and fair review of the facts can best be accomplished when all parties are present, the respondent and invited witnesses are strongly encouraged to attend and participate. If an individual does not choose to attend a hearing, the charges will be reviewed as scheduled based on the available information, and a decision will be made. Although no inference may be drawn against a student for failing to attend a hearing or remaining silent, the hearing will proceed and the conclusion will be based on the evidence presented. No decision shall be based solely on the respondent’s failure to attend the hearing or answer the charges. In special circumstances, written statements may be considered by the hearing body when a respondent or witness does not attend or fully participate in a hearing.


3335-23-14 Record of proceedings.

A single record consisting of written notes, audio recording, or other method selected by the hearing body, will be made of all hearings. Such record will remain university property but will be made available to the respondent for review during the appeal period. A written notice of the decision will be provided to the respondent. If the respondent is found in violation, information regarding appeal procedures will be provided to the respondent.

3335-23-15 Committee on academic misconduct.

(A) On behalf of the committee, the coordinator may investigate and resolve all reported cases of student academic misconduct that fall under the committee’s jurisdiction. The coordinator and chair shall establish procedure for the investigation and resolution of cases. The committee does not hear cases involving academic misconduct in professional colleges having a published honor code. These colleges shall follow their own codes and procedures which can be obtained in their respective central offices. Some allegations against graduate students that fall under the committee’s jurisdiction may also implicate the university policy and procedures concerning research misconduct and/or graduate school policy on the investigation of allegations of research misconduct by a graduate student. Upon receipt of such an allegation, the coordinator shall meet with the dean of the graduate school or designee, and/or the senior vice president for research or designee, and these parties shall mutually agree on the appropriate procedure for adjudicating the case. Notice of this decision and a description of the procedure to be used shall promptly be given to the student who has been charged. The coordinator or chair may refer complaints to the student conduct system if it is determined that the academic misconduct allegation is incidental to some other misconduct.

(B) The Committee on Academic Misconduct is constituted according to rule 3335-5-48.7 of the Administrative Code.

(C) All complaints of academic misconduct shall be reported to the coordinator of the committee.

(D) Students have an obligation to report suspected misconduct.

(E) A quorum for a hearing shall be no fewer than three voting members of the committee which shall include no fewer than one student member and two faculty members.

For cases involving graduate students, reasonable efforts will be made to have graduate students serve as the student members of the hearing committee.

(F) Eligibility.

(1) To be eligible for appointment, an undergraduate student must possess a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average, and all students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average to continue serving. To be appointed or serve, a student should not be under current disciplinary sanction or probation or suspension. A student found in violation of the Code who receives a formal reprimand may continue service upon review and determination by the coordinator of the committee.

(2) Removal.

The coordinator of the committee may remove committee members under certain circumstances, including but not limited to, not attending training, falling below the minimum grade point average, repeated absences, violating the Code or other applicable laws or rules, policies, standards, or guidelines, or not responding to repeated attempts at communication. Whenever possible, notification shall be made in writing to the committee member prior to removal.

3335-23-16 University conduct board.

(A) Membership.

The respondent may elect for the University Conduct Board to adjudicate charges involving prohibited behaviors listed in rule 3335-23-04 of the Administrative Code, except paragraph (A) (academic misconduct). The director of student conduct will recommend members for approval as follows:

1. Fifteen faculty and/or staff members appointed by the Vice President for Student Life for three-year terms;
2. Fifteen undergraduate student members, appointed by Undergraduate Student Government for two-year terms;
3. Six graduate student members, appointed by the Council of Graduate Students for two-year terms;
4. Four professional student members, appointed by the Inter-Professional Council, for two-year terms; and
5. The director of student conduct or designee shall serve as board coordinator ex-officio without vote.

(B) Quorum.

A quorum for a hearing shall be no fewer than four voting members of the board which shall include no fewer than two student members, unless the respondent elects not to include student members. A hearing board shall consist of no more than eight voting members.

(C) Eligibility and alternates.

1. To be eligible for appointment, an undergraduate student must possess a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average, and all students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average to continue serving. To be appointed or serve, a student should not be under current disciplinary sanction of probation or suspension. A student found in violation of the Code who receives a formal reprimand may continue service upon review and determination by the Director of Student Conduct.
2. Additional alternate members may be appointed as needed.
3. Removal.

The director of student conduct may remove University Conduct Board members under certain circumstances, including but not limited to, not attending training, falling below the minimum grade point average, repeated absences, violating the Code or other applicable laws or rules, policies, standards, or guidelines, or not responding to repeated attempts at communication. Whenever possible, notification shall be made in writing to the University Conduct Board member prior to removal.

University Sanctions

3335-23-17 General guidelines for sanctions.

If a student is found to be in violation of the Code, sanctions should be commensurate with the violations found to have occurred. In determining the sanction(s) to be imposed, the hearing body should take into account any mitigating circumstances and any aggravating factors including, but not limited to, any provocation by the subject of the conduct that constituted the violation, any past misconduct by the student, any failure of the student to comply fully with previous sanctions, the actual and potential harm caused by the violation, the degree of intent and motivation of the student in committing the violation, and the severity and pervasiveness of the conduct that constituted the violation. Misconduct motivated by bias for classes protected by university policy, other than constitutionally protected expression, may be considered an aggravating factor for sanctioning. Impairment resulting from voluntary use of alcohol or drugs (i.e., other than medically necessary) will also be considered an aggravating, and not a mitigating, factor. One or more of the following courses of action may be taken when a student has been found to have violated the Code.

(A) Disciplinary sanctions.

(1) Formal reprimand.

A written letter of reprimand resulting from a student’s misconduct.

(2) Disciplinary probation.

This probationary condition is in effect for a specified time period and may involve the loss of specified privileges. Further violation of university rules, policies, standards, or guidelines during the probationary period will additionally be viewed as a violation of the probation, which shall result in further action up to and including suspension or dismissal.

(3) Suspension.

Suspension is a sanction that terminates the student’s enrollment at the university for a specified time period. Satisfactory completion of specified stipulations may be required for reenrollment at the end of the suspension period. Under special circumstances, the hearing body may hold the imposition of suspension in abeyance, which would allow for the student’s continued enrollment so long as the student adheres to all stipulations, restrictions, or conditions imposed by the hearing body.

(4) Dismissal.

Dismissal is a sanction which permanently separates a student from the university without opportunity to re-enroll in the future.

(B) Conditions of suspension and dismissal.

Unless a student is otherwise notified in writing, a suspension or dismissal will not take effect until after the appeal period. A student who has been dismissed or suspended from the university shall be denied all privileges afforded a student (including, but not limited to, participation in university sponsored or sanctioned events and activities) and shall be required to vacate campus as determined by the hearing body. In addition, after vacating campus property, a suspended or dismissed student may not enter upon campus and/or other university property at any time, for any purpose, in the absence of expressed written permission from the vice president for student life or designee. To seek such permission, a suspended or dismissed student must file a written petition to the vice president for student life for entrance to the campus for a limited, specified purpose or to have the terms of this condition modified or reduced.

(C) Failing or lowered grades.

In cases of academic misconduct, a hearing body may authorize the instructor to award a failing or lowered grade in the course and a loss of credit on the graded coursework.
(D) Other sanctions.

Other appropriate sanctions may be imposed by a hearing body singularly or in combination with any of the above-listed sanctions. Examples include, but are not limited to, making restitution for property damage or misappropriation of university property or services, or the property of any person, residence hall contract termination or reassignment to another room, restriction of access to specified campus facilities and/or property, research assignments, community service projects, special workshop participation, referral to medical resources or counseling personnel, and/or educational sanctions.


Appeal Process

3335-23-18 Appellate process.

(A) Right to appeal.

(1) A student found to have violated the Code has the right to appeal the original decision. The appeal is not intended to re-hear or re-argue the same case and is limited to the specific grounds outlined in this rule. The appeal must state the specific grounds for the appeal and should include all supporting documentation. The appeal must be postmarked, delivered, sent via email or online form, to the appropriate appeal officer listed below, within five business days after the date on which notice of the decision is sent to the student. Each student shall be limited to one appeal of a decision of a hearing body. The decision of the appeal officer is final.

(2) Any extensions to the appeal date may be made at the discretion of the director of student conduct, residence life, or the office of academic affairs or their designee.

(3) A student who has accepted responsibility for violating the Code waives the right to appeal, except on the basis that the disciplinary sanction is grossly disproportionate to the violation(s) committed.

(4) When found in violation of the Code, a respondent shall be limited to one appeal. The decision of the appeal officer is final.

(B) Grounds for appeal.

(1) An appeal may be based only upon one or more of the following grounds:

   (a) Procedural error that resulted in material harm or prejudice to the student (i.e., by preventing a fair, impartial, or proper hearing). Deviations from the designated procedures will not be a basis for sustaining an appeal unless material harm or prejudice results; or

   (b) Discovery of substantial new evidence that was unavailable at the time of the hearing and which reasonably could have affected the decision of the hearing body;

   (c) Disciplinary sanction imposed is grossly disproportionate to the violation(s) committed, considering the relevant aggravating and/or mitigating factors.

(2) Non-attendance by the respondent or the complainant may not be the sole grounds for an appeal.
(C) Appropriate appeal officers.

(1) Appeals from residence hall hearings:
   (a) All appeals from residence hall hearings other than contract terminations, shall be submitted to the director of housing and residence education or designee;
   (b) All appeals, when the sanction imposed by the residence hall hearing is contract termination, shall be submitted to the director of student conduct or designee.

(2) Appeals of a decision of a hearing body other than those described in the previous section will be submitted for decision to the vice president for student life or designee.

(3) Appeals of decisions of the committee on academic misconduct or its coordinator will be submitted for decision to the executive vice president and provost or designee.

(D) Appeal proceedings.

(1) The appeal officer will dismiss the appeal if the appeal is not based upon one or more of the grounds set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule.

(2) The appeal officer will decide the appeal based upon a review of the record and supporting documents (e.g., prior disciplinary history).

(E) Possible dispositions by the appeal officer.

The appeal officer may, after a review of the record:

(1) Uphold the original decision and/or sanction(s);

(2) Dismiss the case or individual charge(s) against the student and vacate any portion or all of the sanction(s);

(3) Modify or reduce the sanction(s); or

(4) Remand the case to the original hearing body to consider a specific issue as directed by the appeal officer or refer the case to a new hearing body to be reheard. If possible, a new hearing body should be different from the one that originally decided the case. If a case is reheard by a hearing body, the sanction imposed can be greater than that imposed at the original hearing.


3335-23-19 Deviations and other procedures.

A student and hearing officer may agree in advance to deviations from procedure. Such deviations are not then subject to appeal. Other deviations are acceptable as long as such deviations are not found upon appeal to be materially harmful to the respondent. The office of student life, student conduct and the committee on academic misconduct may create additional procedures, such as record retention and reporting, in alignment with this code. Student Conduct will publish standards used to review, investigate, and adjudicate allegations involving registered student organizations. These procedures must be publicly available on the appropriate Ohio State University’s website.

3335-23-20 Interim suspension.

(A) When the vice president for student life or designee has reasonable cause to believe that the student's presence on university premises or at a university-related or registered student organization activity poses a significant risk of substantial harm to the safety or security of themselves, others, or to property, the student may be immediately suspended from all or any portion of university premises, university-related activities or registered student organization activities. The interim suspension will be confirmed by a written statement.

(D) The interim suspension shall remain in effect until:

1. The conclusion of the student conduct process, including any appeal;
2. The vice president for student life or designee terminates the interim suspension in writing; or
3. The vice president for student life or designee terminates the interim suspension upon written request by the student where a determination is made that reasonable cause for the interim suspension no longer exists.

   (a) The request from the student must be in writing and must include supporting documentation or evidence that the student does not pose, or no longer poses, a significant risk of substantial harm to the safety or security of themselves, others or to property.

   (b) A decision on such a request will be made without undue delay by the vice president for student life or designee.


3335-23-21 Administrative disenrollment and other restrictions.

A student may be: disenrolled from the university; prohibited from all or any portion of university premises, university-related activities or registered student organization activities; and/or permitted to remain only under specified conditions when the vice president for student life or designee finds that there is clear and convincing evidence that the student's continued presence poses a significant risk of substantial harm to the health or safety of themselves, others, or to property.

(A) In those cases under paragraph (A) of this rule in which it appears that the risk posed by the student is a result of a health condition or a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the vice president for student life or designee shall also determine whether the risk or disruption can be eliminated or sufficiently reduced through reasonable accommodation and, if so, shall take appropriate steps to ensure that accommodation is made. The vice president for student life or designee may request the student to undergo an appropriate examination, as specified by the vice president for student life or designee, to determine whether any such condition exists and whether any such accommodation is possible. If the student fails to undergo such an examination, and if the other available evidence supports a finding under paragraph (A) of this rule, the vice president for student life or designee shall, to the extent reasonably possible, take the least restrictive measure or combination of measures necessary to resolve the risk or disruption.

(B) A student who has been disenrolled; prohibited from university premises, university-related activities or registered student organization activities; or permitted to remain only under specified conditions may petition the vice president for student life for revision of that status. The petition must include supporting documentation or evidence that:

1. The conditions found to have existed under paragraph (A) of this rule no longer exist and will not recur, and
2. The student meets all normal and appropriate standards for admission and enrollment in any
academic unit in which the student seeks to re-enroll. Upon receipt of such a petition, the vice president for student life or designee shall evaluate the evidence and may consult with the student, any appropriate university personnel, and any other persons whom the vice president for student life or designee deems appropriate. The vice president for student life or designee may deny the petition, grant the petition in whole or in part under specified conditions, or grant the petition in whole or in part without condition.


3335-23-22 Authority.

The bylaws of the university board of trustees and rules of the university faculty provide that the university president shall have the final responsibility and authority for the discipline of all students of the university (see paragraph (A) of rule 3335-11-01 of the Administrative Code). This responsibility and authority has been delegated by the president to the vice president for student life, whose office is also charged with responsibility for promulgation of rules governing student conduct (see paragraph (H) of rule 3335-1-03 of the Administrative Code).

The deans of colleges and of the graduate school, the directors of schools, and the chairpersons of departments, respectively, are responsible to the president through regular disciplinary channels for the discipline of all students in the activities of their respective colleges, schools, and departments (see paragraph (B) of rule 3335-11-01 of the Administrative Code). Likewise, the deans and directors of the regional campuses are responsible to the president through the executive vice president and provost for the discipline of all students in the activities of their respective campuses.

The Ohio State University Code of Student Conduct is an official publication of the university board of Trustees. All petitions for revision and amendment of this Code should be submitted through the office of the vice president for student life. The Code shall remain consistent with the university’s Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct policy; any Code changes related to these policies shall be done in consultation with the appropriate official designated under the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct policy. Proposed revisions to the Code shall be reviewed, in draft form, by the office of the president, the office of academic affairs, and the steering committee of the university senate before being presented for approval to the university senate by the council on student affairs. No revision shall become effective unless approved by the university board of trustees and until printed notice of such revisions is made available to students.

This Code shall take effect upon approval by the board of trustees. It shall govern all procedures in matters brought after it first takes effect and also all further procedures in matters then pending, except to the extent that in the discretion of the university the application in a particular action pending would not be feasible, in which event the former version of this Code shall be used. The definitions of prohibited conduct used in a particular matter will be the definitions found in the version of section 3335-23-04 in effect at the time the alleged conduct occurred.

3335-23-01 Introduction and purpose.

The code of student conduct, a part of the Ohio Administrative Code, is established to foster and protect the core missions of the university; to foster the scholarly and civic development of the university's students in a safe and secure learning environment, and to protect the people, properties and processes that support the university and its missions. The core missions of the university are research, teaching and learning, and service. Preservation of academic freedom and free and open exchange of ideas and opinions for all members of the university are central to these missions.

(A) The Code of Student Conduct, a part of the Ohio Administrative Code, is established to foster and protect the core mission of the university; to foster the scholarly and civic development of the university's students in a safe and secure learning environment, and to protect the people, properties and processes that support the university and its mission. The core mission of the Ohio State University is to be the model public university dedicated to research, teaching and learning, and service. The university’s Shared Values define our ethical culture – for all students, faculty, and staff – in support of that mission. These values are:

- **Excellence and Impact:** Demonstrating leadership in pursuit of our vision and mission
- **Diversity and Innovation:** Welcoming differences and making connections among people and ideas
- **Inclusion and Equity:** Upholding equal rights and advancing institutional fairness
- **Care and Compassion:** Attending to the well-being of individuals and communities
- **Integrity and Respect:** Acting responsibly and being accountable

Our Shared Values support principles of open-minded exploration and freedom of expression, respectful and inclusive community, and caring relationships built on trust through honesty, transparency, and authentic engagement. Additional information can be found at https://www.osu.edu/shared-values/.

(B) As members of the Ohio State University community, we strive to embody these Shared Values through our actions and conduct. The Ohio State University/Buckeye Honor Pledge’s purpose is to motivate reflection on our Shared Values and emphasize the importance of one’s personal commitment to ethics in education and learning. Instructors have the discretion to ask students to include a signed version of the pledge with examinations, papers, or other academic assignments/requirements. Additional information can be found at https://www.osu.edu/buckeye-honor-pledge.

**Ohio State University Honor Pledge / The Buckeye Honor Pledge**

As a Buckeye I pledge to act with responsibility and care. I will build trust through honesty, transparency, and authentic engagement. I will demonstrate integrity through my original contributions and respectful collaboration with others. I will act in accordance with the Code of Student Conduct. Time and change will surely show, I will uphold these values wherever I go.

(C) The ADA Coordinator’s office can provide accommodations based on the impact of a disability to students during the Student Conduct Process. Students are responsible for requesting these accommodations when they feel they are needed. Please contact the university’s ADA Coordinator’s office at ada-osu@osu.edu, or visit ada.osu.edu/ada.osu.edu.

(C) (Board approval dates: 4/6/2012, 2/22/2019, 2/22/2019)
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3335-23-02 Jurisdiction.

(A) The Code applies to the on-campus conduct of all students and registered student organizations, including conduct using university computing or network resources. The Code also applies to the off-campus conduct of students and registered student organizations in directly connected with:

1. Academic course requirements or any credit-bearing experiences, such as internships, field trips, study abroad or student teaching;
2. Any activity supporting pursuit of a degree, such as research at another institution or a professional practice assignment;
3. Any activity sponsored, conducted, or authorized by the university or by registered student organizations;
4. Any activity that causes substantial destruction of property belonging to the university or members of the university community, or causes or threatens serious harm to the safety or security of members of the university community; or
5. Any activity which could constitute a criminal offense as defined by local, state or federal law, regardless of the existence or outcome of any criminal proceeding.

(B) The Code may be applied to behavior conducted online, via e-mail, text, or other electronic medium. Students should also be aware that online postings such as web postings and posts on social networking sites are in the public sphere and are not private. These postings can subject a student to allegations of conduct violations if evidence of policy violations is posted online. The university does not routinely search for Code violations of this code, but may take action if and when such information comes to the attention of university officials.

Students and/or registered student organizations may also be held accountable for the behavior of their guest's or member's behavior when the student or members of the registered student organization has knowledge of, facilitates or contributes to the guest's or member's misconduct.

The Code governs all campuses of the university. Students attending regional campuses, centers, or institutes are advised to consult their local resources for additional information or rules pertaining to those locations.

The university reserves the right to administer the Code and proceed with the hearing process even if the student withdraws from the university, is no longer enrolled in classes, or subsequently fails to meet the definition of a student while a disciplinary matter is pending. The university may, within its discretion, place a hold or other notation on the student’s transcript while the matter is pending.
Students continue to be subject to federal, state, and local laws while at the university, and violations of those laws may also constitute Code violations of the code. In such instances, the university may proceed with university disciplinary action under the Code independently of any criminal proceeding involving the same conduct and may impose sanctions for the Code violation of the code even if such criminal proceeding is not yet resolved or is resolved in the student's favor.

(C) Discrimination and harassment, including, but not limited to sexual misconduct, based on a protected class in any form, is never acceptable. Students are responsible to know and adhere to the university's Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct found at http://www.policies.osu.edu/_. This policies, and not this code, govern the investigation, adjudication, and resolution of protected class discrimination and harassment complaints.

3335-23-03 Definitions.

As used in the Code:

(A) “University premises” includes all lands, buildings, facilities, and resources owned, leased, managed, or operated by the university.

(B) “Student” includes an individual to whom an offer of admission has been extended, paid an acceptance fee, registered for classes, or otherwise entered into another agreement with the university to take instruction.

(1) Student status lasts until an individual graduates, is permanently dismissed, or is not in attendance for two complete, consecutive terms. Student status also lasts while they have and includes those with a continuing educational relationship with the university.

(2) “Student” also includes registered student organizations. A student organization remains a student for purposes of this Code for one calendar year following the expiration of the organization’s most recent registration.

(3) This Code also applies within the discretion of an appropriate university official to former students for violations committed while a student.

(C) “Members of the university community” includes, but are not limited to, students, faculty, staff, and visitors to the campus.

(D) “Complaint” includes information alleging a Code violation of the code of student conduct or other published rule, policy, standard, or guideline applicable to students at the university, provided to the university, per paragraph (A) of rule 3335-23-05 of the Administrative Code.

(E) “Academic activities” includes any assignment, quiz, examination, candidacy examinations, laboratory, paper, report, field or placement work, submission, reading, seminar, presentation, or other educational activity that is required for a course or degree program.

(F) “Calendar days” refers to all seven days of the week without regard to whether classes are in session or university offices are open or closed.

(G) “Business days” include any day other than Saturday, Sunday, or days when university offices are closed as scheduled according to the university’s academic calendar found at

3335-23-04 Prohibited conduct.

Any student found to have engaged, or attempted to engage, in any of the following conduct while within the university’s jurisdiction, as set forth in rule 3335-23-02 of the Administrative Code, will be subject to disciplinary action by the university. For the purposes of this section, attempt shall be defined as conduct that, if successful, would constitute or result in the prohibited conduct.
(A) Academic misconduct.

Any student found to have engaged, or attempted to engage, in any of the following conduct while within the university’s jurisdiction, as set forth in rule 3335-23-02 of the Administrative Code, will be subject to disciplinary action by the university. For the purposes of this section, attempt shall be defined as conduct that, if successful, would constitute or result in the prohibited conduct.

(B) Academic misconduct.

Any activity that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the university, or subvert the educational process. Examples of academic misconduct include, but are not limited to:

1. Violation of course rules and/or assignment guidelines as contained in the course syllabus or other information provided to the student;
2. Knowingly requesting, providing, and/or receiving unauthorized information, materials, and/or assistance during academic activities;
3. Possession and/or use of unauthorized information, materials, and/or assistance during academic activities;
4. Submitting plagiarized work for an academic requirement. Plagiarism is the representation, including but not limited to copying, of another’s work or ideas as one’s own; it includes the unacknowledged word-for-word use and/or paraphrasing of another person’s work, and/or the inappropriate unacknowledged use of another person’s ideas;
5. Unauthorized use of generative artificial intelligence systems or similar technologies to complete academic activities;
6. Submitting substantially the same work to satisfy requirements for one course or academic requirement that has been submitted in satisfaction of requirements for another course or academic requirement, without permission of the instructor of the course for which the work is being submitted or supervising authority for the academic requirement. This includes submitting the same work for courses that the student is retaking pursuant to the university’s grade forgiveness rule;
7. Falsification, fabrication, or dishonesty in creating or reporting laboratory results, research results, and/or academic activities;
8. Serving as, or enlisting the assistance of a substitute for a student in academic activities:
   1. Violation of course rules and/or assignment guidelines as contained in the course syllabus or other information provided to the student;
   2. Knowingly requesting, providing, and/or receiving unauthorized information, materials, and/or assistance during academic activities examinations such as course examinations and candidacy examinations; or the;
   3. Possession and/or use of unauthorized information, materials, and/or assistance during academic activities those examinations;
(3) Knowingly providing or using unauthorized assistance in the laboratory, on fieldwork, in scholarship or on a course assignment;

(4) Submitting plagiarized work for an academic requirement. Plagiarism is the representation, including but not limited to copying, of another’s work or ideas as one’s own; it includes the unacknowledged word-for-word use and/or paraphrasing of another person’s work, and/or the inappropriate unacknowledged use of another person’s ideas;

(5) Unauthorized use of generative artificial intelligence systems or similar technologies to complete academic activities, a course or academic requirement is prohibited without permission of the instructor of the course for which the work is being submitted;

(6) Submitting substantially the same work to satisfy requirements for one course or academic requirement that has been submitted in satisfaction of requirements for another course or academic requirement, without permission of the instructor of the course for which the work is being submitted or supervising authority for the academic requirement. This includes submitting the same work for courses that the student is retaking pursuant to the university’s grade forgiveness rule;

(7) Falsification, fabrication, or dishonesty in creating or reporting laboratory results, research results, and/or any other assignments academic activities;

(8) Serving as, or enlisting the assistance of a substitute for a student in academic activities any graded assignments;

(9) Alteration of grades or marks by the student in an effort to change the earned grade or credit;

(10) Alteration of academically-related university forms or records, or unauthorized use of those forms or records;

(11) Engaging in activities that unfairly place other students at a disadvantage, including but not limited to such as taking, hiding, or altering resource material, or manipulating a grading system;

(12) Violation of program regulations and/or policies as established by departmental committees and made available to students; and

(12) Providing falsified materials, documents, or records to a university official in order to meet academic qualifications, criteria, or requirements, including but not limited to submitting falsified doctor’s notes and/or falsified transcripts.
Endangering health or safety.

(B)(C) Endangering health or safety.

   Endangering behavior: Taking or threatening action that endangers the safety, physical or mental health of any person, or creates a reasonable fear of such action.

   (1) Endangering behavior: Taking or threatening action that endangers the safety, physical or mental health, or life of any person, or creates a reasonable fear of such action.

   (2) Stalking: Engaging in a pattern of unwanted conduct directed at another person that threatens or endangers the safety, physical or mental health, or life or property of that person, or creates a reasonable fear of such a threat or action. When stalking is sex- or gender-based, it falls under the university’s Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct policy.

   (3) Operating a vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs in a manner that endangers the safety of the university community.
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(1) Stalking: Engaging in a pattern of unwanted conduct directed at another person that threatens or endangers the safety, physical or mental health, or life or property of that person, or creates a reasonable fear of such a threat or action. When stalking is sex- or gender-based, it falls under the university’s Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct, sexual misconduct, university policy 1.15.

(2) Operating a vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs in a manner that endangers the safety of the university community.

(D) Destruction of property.

Actual or threatened damage to or destruction of university property or property of others, whether done intentionally or with reckless disregard.

(E) Dangerous weapons or devices.

Storage, or possession of dangerous weapons, devices, or substances including, but not limited to, firearms, ammunition, or fireworks, unless authorized by an appropriate university official or permitted by a university policy, even if otherwise permitted by law. Use or misuse of weapons, devices, or substances in a manner that causes or threatens serious harm to the safety or security of others. As required by Ohio Revised Code Section 2923.1210, this section does not prohibit a student who has been issued a valid concealed handgun license from transporting or storing a firearm or ammunition when both of the following conditions are met:

(1) Each firearm and all of the ammunition remains inside the person’s privately-owned motor vehicle while the person is physically present inside the motor vehicle, or each firearm and all of the ammunition is locked within the trunk, glove box, or other enclosed compartment or container within or on the person’s privately-owned motor vehicle.

(2) The vehicle is in a location where it is otherwise permitted to be.

(F) Dishonest conduct.

Dishonest conduct, including, but not limited to, knowingly reporting a false emergency; knowingly making false accusation of misconduct; misuse or falsification of university or related documents by actions such as forgery, alteration, or improper transfer; possession, use or manufacturing of a false identification document; submission of information known by the submitter to be false to a university official.

(G) Theft or unauthorized use of property.

Theft or the unauthorized use or possession of university property, services, resources, or the property of others.

(H) Failure to comply with university or civil authority.

Failure to comply with legitimate directives of authorized university officials, law enforcement or emergency personnel, identified as such, in the performance of their duties, including failure to identify oneself when so requested; or violation of the terms of a disciplinary sanction.

(I) Drugs.
Use, being under the influence of, production, distribution, sale, or possession of drugs, and/or drug paraphernalia in a manner prohibited under law or applicable university policy or university facility policy, such as within the Ohio Stadium and the Schottenstein Center. This includes, but is not limited to, the misuse of prescription drugs.
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(I) Alcohol

Use, underage intoxication, production, distribution, sale, or possession of alcohol in a manner prohibited under law or applicable university policy or university facility policy, such as within the Ohio Stadium and the Schottenstein Center.

(J) Alcohol

(K) Unauthorized presence.

Unauthorized entrance to or presence in or on university premises.

(L) Disorderly or disruptive conduct.

Disorderly or disruptive conduct that unreasonably interferes with university activities or with the legitimate activities of any member of the university community.

(M) Hazing.

Doing, requiring, or encouraging any act, whether or not the act is voluntarily agreed upon, in conjunction with initiation, or continued membership, or participation in any group, that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm or humiliation. Such acts may include, but are not limited to, using alcohol, creating excessive fatigue, and paddling, punching, or kicking in any form. Failure to intervene, prevent, or report acts of hazing may constitute a violation of this section.

(N) Student conduct system abuse.

Abuse of any university student conduct system, including, but not limited to:

(1) Failure to obey the summons or directives of a hearing student conduct body, as defined in 3335-23-10, or university official;

(2) Falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation of information before a hearing student conduct body, as defined in 3335-23-10, or university official;

(3) Disruption or interference with the orderly conduct of a student conduct proceeding;

(4) Knowingly instituting a student conduct proceeding without cause;

(5) Discouraging an individual’s proper participation in, or use of, a university student conduct system;

(6) Influencing the impartiality of a member of a hearing student conduct body, as defined in 3335-23-10, prior to, and/or during the course of a student conduct proceeding;

(7) Harassment and/or intimidation of a member of a hearing student conduct body, as defined in 3335-23-10, or university official prior to, during, and/or after a student conduct proceeding;

(8) Failure to comply with one or more sanctions imposed under the code of student conduct; and

(9) Influencing another person to commit an abuse of a university student conduct system.

(O) Violation of university rules or federal, state, and local laws.

Violation of other published university rules, policies, standards, and/or guidelines, or behavior that could violate federal, state, or local law. University rules, policies, standards, or guidelines including, but are not limited to, those which prohibit the misuse of computing resources, rules for
student groups or organizations, and residence hall rules and regulations. Students may be held accountable under the procedures described in other published rules, policies, standards and guidelines and under the provisions of this Code regardless of whether action is undertaken under this Code. Students are responsible for reviewing and understanding the rules, standards and guidelines provided to them by their academic programs and colleges. Policies applicable to students are found at www.policies.osu.edu.

Conviction or acceptance of responsibility – including a judicial finding of guilt, pleas of no contest or “no-lo contendere” – for state, local or federal crimes when the underlying behavior has a substantial connection or relationship to the university’s property, programs or could reasonably impact the health, safety, or security of members of the university community.
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(O) Riotous behavior.

(P) Riotous behavior.

(1) Participation in a disturbance with the purpose to commit or incite any action that presents a clear and present danger to others, causes physical harm to others, or damages property.

(2) Proscribed behavior in the context of a riot includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Knowingly engaging in conduct designed to incite another to engage in riotous behavior; and

(b) Actual or threatened damage to or destruction of university property or property of others, whether done intentionally or with reckless disregard; and

(c) Failing to comply with a directive to disperse by university officials, law enforcement or emergency personnel; and

(d) Making explicit or implied threats in a manner that causes a reasonable fear of harm in another; and

(e) Impeding, hindering, or obstructing a university official, law enforcement or emergency personnel in the performance of their duties.

(3) This rule shall not be interpreted as proscribing peaceful demonstrations, peaceful picketing, a call for a peaceful boycott, or other forms of peaceful dissent.

(Q) Recording or distribution without knowledge.

Using electronic or other means to make or distribute a video, audio, or photographic record of any person in a location where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy without the person's prior knowledge, when such a recording is likely to cause injury, distress, or damage to reputation. This includes, but is not limited to, taking video, audio, or photographic records in shower/locker rooms, residence hall rooms, and restrooms. The storing, sharing, and/or distributing of such unauthorized records by any means is also prohibited.

(R) Public urination or defecation.

Urination or defecation in a place such as a sidewalk, street, park, alley or yard, residence hall space, or on any other place or physical property that is not intended for use as a restroom.

(S) Retaliation.

Any intentional adverse action against any individual who makes an allegation, files a report, serves as a witness, assists a complainant or respondent, or participates in any university investigation or proceeding.

(T) Harm to Animals

Intentional physical harm or threats of harm to animals, including companion animals, service animals, or emotional support animals. The intentional failure to provide proper care and exercise responsible ownership can in certain circumstances be considered intentional acts of physical harm. Lawful hunting and fishing is not prohibited by this Code. The care and use of animals involved in research activities is governed by the Animal Care and Use Program documentation found at policies.osu.edu. Any intentional adverse action against any individual who makes an allegation, files a report, serves as a witness, assists a complainant or respondent, or participates in any university investigation or proceeding. Intentional physical harm or threats of harm to animals, including but not limited to companion animals, service animals, or emotional support animals.
Lawful hunting and fishing is not prohibited by this Code. The care and use of animals involved in research activities is governed by the Office of Responsible Research Practices Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and not this Code.

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3335-23-05 Initiation, inquiry and investigation of code violations.

(A) Initiation.

Person(s) who witness, experience or become aware of what they believe to be a possible code violation should provide information to the following officials or offices.

(1) Complaints about possible code violations occurring in residence halls should be reported to the residence hall director;

(2) Complaints about possible non-residence-hall-related code violations should be reported to the Office of Student Conduct, or chief student conduct officer for the regional campuses;

(3) Complaints about possible sexual misconduct should be reported pursuant to the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy;

(4) Complaints about possible protected class discrimination or harassment should be reported pursuant to Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy;

(5) Complaints regarding academic misconduct should be reported to the Committee on Academic Misconduct; and

(6) In cases when the alleged activity may involve a violation of criminal law in addition to a Code violation of the Code, complaints should be reported to the university police division or other appropriate law enforcement agency.

(B) Preliminary inquiry.

The university conducts a preliminary inquiry into the nature of the incident, complaint or notice, jurisdiction, available information available, and involved parties involved. Within the university’s discretion, the preliminary inquiry may lead to:

(1) A determination that there is insufficient information to pursue the investigation, or the behavior alleged, even if proven, would not violate the Code of Student Conduct;

(2) An informal resolution such as an educational discussion or mediation. An educational discussion is a discussion about the student’s behavior and its impact. Informal resolution is not available in cases of academic misconduct.

(3) An investigation and/or initiation charges.

Typically, an informal resolution will end the conduct process, but if more information is shared during the course of an educational discussion or informal resolution that warrants additional inquiry, an investigation may be initiated.

(C) Investigation.

(1) Role of the university.

(a) The director of student conduct, the chief conduct officer for the regional campuses,
residence hall directors, assistant hall directors and other designated university personnel are authorized to investigate alleged violations other than those involving subsections (b) and (c) of this paragraph;
(b) The coordinator of the committee on academic misconduct and other designated university personnel are authorized to investigate allegations involving academic misconduct;

(c) Only those personnel designated by the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy, shall investigate charges involving sexual misconduct.

(d) Only those personnel designated by the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct Policy shall investigate charges involving protected class discrimination or harassment.

(e) The Ohio state university police or other appropriate law enforcement agency shall have primary responsibility for the criminal investigation of acts that involve suspected criminal violation of federal, state or local laws. Such investigation does not replace any other university investigation.

(f) The university may conduct concurrent investigations regarding potential violations of institutional policy or federal, state and local law.

(2) Role of participants.

(a) During the investigation, the student allegedly involved in misconduct may be:
   i. Notified of the alleged violation;
   ii. Requested to make an appointment to discuss the matter; and
   iii. Provided a date by which the appointment must be made.

(b) Any person believed to have information relevant to an investigation may also be contacted and requested to make an appointment to discuss the matter.

(3) Failure to comply with a request to make an appointment relevant to an investigation may result in a disciplinary hold being placed on a respondent’s registration and records and/or the initiation of charges for student conduct system abuse.

(4) Upon completion of an investigation, the investigator will decide upon an appropriate course of action, which may include, but is not limited to:

(a) Taking no further action and closing the case;

(b) Deferring initiation of charges with or without conditions;

(c) Seeking informal resolution; or

(d) Initiating charges by the appropriate university official when a finding of jurisdiction has been made and there is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of the code may have occurred. Reasonable cause is defined as some credible information to support each element of the violation, even if that information is merely a credible witness or a victim’s statement. Charges will not be issued where a complaint is unsupported by any credible information or does not meet the elements of a code violation.
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3335-23-06 Amnesty.

At the university’s discretion, amnesty may be extended to students who may be hesitant to report a Code violation of the code to university officials because they fear that they themselves may be accused of minor policy violations, including but not limited to underage drinking, at the time of the incident. If a student is granted amnesty, an educational discussion or other informal resolution may be considered, but no university conduct proceedings under this code will result.

At the university’s discretion, amnesty may also be extended on a case-by-case basis for minor policy violations when students request assistance for others in need, including the person receiving assistance. If a student is granted amnesty, an educational discussion or other informal resolution may be considered, but no university conduct proceedings under this Code will result. In cases of academic misconduct, need does not include the a student’s inability of a student to complete an assignment without assistance.

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3335-23-07 Filing of complaint and initiation of charges.

A complaint alleging a Code violation of the code of student conduct should be made to the university as soon as practicable in accordance with paragraph (A) of Rule 3335-23-05 of the Administrative Code. Absent extraordinary circumstances, the university will not take action on complaints filed more than six months from the discovery of non-academic misconduct (paragraphs (B) to (S) of rule 3335-23-04 of the Administrative Code) or thirty business days one month for academic misconduct (paragraph (A) of rule 3335-23-04 (A) of the Administrative Code). These time limitations do not apply to complaints of sexual misconduct or other protected class discrimination and harassment.

Absent extraordinary circumstances, the university must initiate charges, if any, within one year of the filing of the complaint. This time limitation does not apply to complaints of sexual misconduct or other protected class discrimination and harassment. In all cases, a student charged with one or more Code violations of the code of student conduct has the right to be heard, subject to the student conduct procedures.


3335-23-08 Notice of charges and options for resolution.

(A) Notification.

Students shall be notified of university charges in writing. Written charges may be presented in person, by placement in the respondent’s residence hall mailbox, by email to the respondent’s official university email address (which may direct the student to view the notice on a secure website), by text message, by other form of electronic communication specific to the student on file with the university registrar, or by mail to the respondent’s local or permanent address on file in the office of the university registrar.

(B) Current address.

All students are required to maintain an accurate and current permanent address and phone number with the university registrar.
Meeting with university official.

(C) Meeting with university official.

(C) Following notification of charges, respondents are strongly encouraged to and shall be afforded the opportunity to meet with a university official for the purpose of explaining the university student conduct process and discussion of the charges.

(D) Options for resolution.

Charges may be resolved by administrative decision pursuant to 3335-23-09 or a hearing pursuant to 3335-23-10.
Failure to respond.

Failure of the respondent to respond to the initiation of charges or schedule a preliminary meeting within the deadlines provided by the university shall in no way prevent the university from scheduling and conducting a hearing in the absence of the respondent.


3335-23-09 Administrative decision.

In a case where a respondent admits to a violation(s) in writing, the student may request in writing to have a decision as to appropriate sanction made administratively by a hearing officer rather than have the charges referred to a hearing body. In such situations, the student waives the right to a hearing and the related procedural guarantees provided by a hearing body. Administrative decisions in academic misconduct cases involving graduate students may be made in consultation with the graduate school. Following an administrative decision, the student retains the right to request an appeal (see Administrative Code Section 3335-23-18) of the original decision. Appeals following an administrative decision may only be requested but may do so only upon the ground that the sanction is grossly disproportionate to the violation committed.

When a respondent fails to respond to the initiation of charges and information exists to support finding a violation, the hearing officer may issue an administrative decision so long as sanctions do not include suspension or dismissal. In this circumstance, the respondent retains the right to request an appeal of the decision under all grounds found in Administrative Code Section 3335-23-18. If the respondent is suspended or dismissed in a subsequent case, the respondent may appeal both the outcome in the subsequent case and an administrative decision issued due to a failure to respond.


3335-23-10 Hearing bodies.

(A) The respondent has the right to accept responsibility for the charges, which will result in an administrative decision, or choose to have a hearing.

(B) In addition to the Committee on Academic Misconduct and the University Conduct Board, the following university employees/officials are considered official university hearing bodies and may conduct administrative hearings of alleged Code violations of the code affording the respondent the same procedural guarantees as provided in the hearings conducted by a committee or board:

1. The director of student conduct, or designee;
2. The coordinator of the committee on academic misconduct, or designee;
3. University housing professional staff; and
(4) The chief conduct officer for the regional campuses.

(C) Students will be afforded the right to request a separate hearing and choose an administrative or board hearing, except under special circumstances when, in order to ensure a fair and just process, the hearing officer may determine the appropriate hearing body. Special circumstances include but are not limited to situations when multiple respondents are charged arising from out of the same factual circumstances or in multiple incidents involving the same respondent. The university reserves the right to combine hearings for respondents.

3335-23-11 Notice of hearing and request for postponement.

(C) Notice.

If a hearing is to be held, written notification will be provided to the respondent. The notice may be hand-delivered, placed into a student’s residence hall mailbox, sent by email to the student’s official university email address or sent by text message, which may direct the student to view the notice on a secure website, or mailed to the last known address of the student, by first-class mail, no fewer than ten calendar days prior to the hearing. Unless already provided to the student, the notification will include the charge(s), date, time, and location of the hearing, the designated hearing body, a statement of the student’s rights, and information on the hearing procedures.

(D) Postponement.

The respondent may request a postponement for reasonable cause, which may be granted at the discretion of the university’s discretion. A request for a postponement for reasonable cause must be made in writing, include supporting rationale and be received by the person sending the hearing notification at least two business days before the scheduled hearing. The university reserves the right to reschedule a hearing for the first appropriate available date.

(3335-23-12 Hearing procedures.

Although the procedural requirements are not as formal as those existing in criminal or civil courts of law, to ensure fairness, the following procedures will apply and, unless already provided to the student, be included within the hearing notice:

(A) Attendance.

Attendance at hearings is limited to those directly involved or those requested by the hearing body to attend. The hearing body will take reasonable measures to assure an orderly hearing, including removal of persons who impede or disrupt proceedings.

(B) Timelines.

Except as expressly provided by this Code, the university may set deadlines related to the investigation and hearing process. Absent extraordinary circumstances, respondents must submit all witness names and evidence for submission at least two business days prior to a scheduled hearing.
The respondent may choose to bring an advisor for support throughout the disciplinary process. The advisor (i.e., support person) may be any person other than a witness. The advisor may only counsel the student and may not actively participate in the disciplinary process, unless the hearing body determines that clarification is needed as determined by the hearing body.

(D) Witnesses.

(1) The respondent may invite relevant factual witnesses to attend, ask questions of witnesses called by others, and will be notified of potential witnesses to be called.

(2) The university may present witnesses, as well as question those presented by the respondent and will notify the respondent of invited witnesses.

(3) Respondents may also invite up to three character witnesses to submit written statements for the hearing body’s review. A character witness is considered to be a person who attests to another's moral conduct and reputation. Character witness statements will only be considered during sanctioning process if a violation is found.

(4) Expert witnesses are not permitted. In cases requiring special expertise, the hearing body may appoint individuals with appropriate expertise to serve as consultants to the hearing body. The consultant may be present and provide information as called upon during the hearing but will not vote.

(E) Standard of evidence.

A student will only be found in violation if a preponderance of evidence supports the charges.

(F) Majority vote required.

A student will not be found in violation unless a majority of the hearing body finds the student in violation. In the event of a tie, the hearing body will continue to deliberate. If after the hearing body determines that exhaustive deliberations have occurred and a majority decision is not reached, the student will be found not in violation.

(G) In cases where prompt review is essential (e.g., when graduation or the end of the academic year is imminent) the respondent may be offered the option of an administrative review consisting of an administrative decision or administrative hearing. The respondent may decline such expedited review without the expectation that the process can be completed on an expedited timeline.

3335-23-13 Attendance.

Because the most accurate and fair review of the facts can best be accomplished when all parties are present, the respondent and invited witnesses are strongly encouraged to attend and participate. If an individual does not choose to attend a hearing, the charges will be reviewed as scheduled on the based on is of the available information available, and a decision will be made. Although no inference may be drawn against a student for failing to attend a hearing or remaining silent, the hearing will proceed and the conclusion will be based on the evidence presented. No decision shall be based solely on the respondent’s failure of the respondent to attend the hearing or answer the charges. In special circumstances, written statements may be considered by the hearing body when a respondent or witness does not attend or fully participate in a hearing.


3335-23-14 Record of proceedings.

A single record consisting of written notes, audio recording, or other method selected by the hearing body, will be made of all hearings. Such record will remain the university property of the university but will be made available to the respondent for review during the appeal period. A written notice of the decision will be provided to the respondent. If the respondent is found in violation, information regarding appeal procedures will be provided to the respondent.

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3335-23-15 Committee on academic misconduct.

(A) On behalf of the committee, the coordinator may investigate and resolve all reported cases of student academic misconduct that fall under the committee’s jurisdiction. The coordinator and chair shall establish procedure for the investigation and resolution of cases. The committee does not hear cases involving academic misconduct in professional colleges having a published honor code. These colleges shall follow their own codes and procedures which can be obtained in their respective central offices. Some allegations against graduate students that fall under the committee’s jurisdiction may also implicate the university policy and procedures concerning research misconduct and/or graduate school policy on the investigation of allegations of research misconduct by a graduate student. Upon receipt of such an allegation, the coordinator shall meet with the dean of the graduate school or designee, and/or the senior vice president for research or designee, and these parties shall mutually agree on the appropriate procedure for adjudicating the case. Notice of this decision and a description of the procedure to be used shall promptly be given to the student who has been charged. The coordinator or chair may refer complaints to the student conduct system if it is determined that the academic misconduct allegation is incidental to some other misconduct.

(B) The Committee on Academic Misconduct is constituted according to rule 3335-5-48.7 of the Administrative Code.

(C) All complaints of academic misconduct shall be reported to the coordinator of the committee.

(D) Students have an obligation to report suspected misconduct.
(E) A quorum for a hearing shall be no fewer than three voting members of the committee which shall include no fewer than one student member and two faculty members.

For cases involving graduate students, reasonable efforts will be made to have graduate students serve as the student members of the hearing committee.

(F) Eligibility.

(1) To be eligible for appointment, an undergraduate student must possess a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average, and all students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average to continue serving. To be appointed or serve, a student should not be under current disciplinary sanction or probation or suspension. A student found in violation of the Code who receives a formal reprimand may continue services upon review and determination by the coordinator of the committee.

(2) Removal.

The coordinator of the committee may remove committee members under certain circumstances, including but not limited to, not attending training, failing below the minimum grade point average, repeated absences, violating the Code or other applicable laws or rules, policies, standards, or guidelines, or not responding to repeated attempts at communication. Whenever possible, notification shall be made in writing to the committee member prior to removal.

3335-23-16 University conduct board.

(A) Membership.

The respondent may elect for the University Conduct Board to adjudicate charges involving prohibited behaviors listed in rule 3335-23-04 of the Administrative Code, except paragraph (A) (academic misconduct). The director of student conduct will recommend members for approval as follows:

1. Fifteen faculty and/or staff members appointed by the Vice President of Student Life for three-year terms;
2. Fifteen undergraduate student members, appointed by Undergraduate Government for two-year terms;
3. Six graduate student members, appointed by the Council of Graduate Students for two-year terms;
4. Four professional student members, appointed by the Inter-Professional Council, for two-year terms; and
5. The director of student conduct or designee shall serve as board coordinator ex-officio without vote.

(B) Quorum.

A quorum for a hearing shall be no fewer than four voting members of the board which shall include no fewer than two student members, unless the respondent elects not to include student members. A hearing board shall consist of no more than eight voting members.

(C) Eligibility and alternates.

1. To be eligible for appointment or service, a student must possess a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average and not be under current disciplinary sanction from the university. To be eligible for appointment, an undergraduate student must possess a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average to continue serving. To be appointed or serve, a student should not be under current disciplinary sanction of probation or suspension. A student found in violation of the Code who receives a formal reprimand may continue services upon review and determination by the Director of Student Conduct.

2. Additional alternate members may be appointed as needed.
(3) Removal.

The director of student conduct may remove University Conduct Board members under certain circumstances, including but not limited to, not attending training, falling below the minimum grade point average, repeated absences, violating the Code of Student Conduct or other applicable laws or rules, policies, standards, or guidelines, or not responding to repeated attempts at communication. Whenever possible, notification shall be made in writing to the University Conduct Board member prior to removal.

University Sanctions

3335-23-17 General guidelines for sanctions.

If a student is found to be in violation of the Code, sanctions should be commensurate with the violations found to have occurred. In determining the sanction(s) to be imposed, the hearing body should take into account any mitigating circumstances and any aggravating factors including, but not limited to, any provocation by the subject of the conduct that constituted the violation, any past misconduct by the student, any failure of the student to comply fully with previous sanctions, the actual and potential harm caused by the violation, the degree of intent and motivation of the student in committing the violation, and the severity and pervasiveness of the conduct that constituted the violation. Misconduct motivated by bias for classes protected by university policy, other than constitutionally protected expression, may be considered an aggravating factor for sanctioning. Impairment resulting from voluntary use of alcohol or drugs (i.e., other than medically necessary) will also be considered an aggravating, and not a mitigating, factor. One or more of the following courses of action may be taken when a student has been found to have violated the Code of student conduct.

(A) Disciplinary sanctions.

(1) Formal reprimand.

A written letter of reprimand resulting from a student’s misconduct.

(2) Disciplinary probation.

This probationary condition is in effect for a specified period of time and may involve the loss of specified privileges. Further violation of university rules, policies, standards, or guidelines during the probationary period will additionally be viewed as a violation of the probation, which shall result in further action up to and including suspension or dismissal.

(3) Suspension.

Suspension is a sanction that terminates the student’s enrollment at the university for a specified period. Satisfactory completion of specified stipulations may be required for reenrollment at the end of the suspension period. Under special circumstances, the hearing body may hold the imposition of suspension in abeyance, which would allow for the student’s continued enrollment so long as the student adheres to all stipulations, restrictions, or conditions imposed by the hearing body.

(4) Dismissal.

Dismissal is a sanction which permanently separates a student from the university without opportunity to re-enroll in the future.
(B) Conditions of suspension and dismissal.

Unless a student is otherwise notified in writing, a suspension or dismissal will not take effect until after the appeal period. A student who has been dismissed or suspended from the university shall be denied all privileges afforded a student (including, but not limited to, participation in university sponsored or sanctioned events and activities) and shall be required to vacate campus as determined by the hearing body. In addition, after vacating campus property, a suspended or dismissed student may not enter upon campus and/or other university property at any time, for any purpose, in the absence of expressed written permission from the vice president for student life or designee. To seek such permission, a suspended or dismissed student must file a written petition to the vice president for student life for entrance to the campus for a limited, specified purpose or to have the terms of this condition modified or reduced.

(C) Failing or lowered grades.

In cases of academic misconduct, a hearing body may authorize the instructor to award a failing or lowered grade in the course and a loss of credit on the graded coursework.

(D) Other sanctions.

Other appropriate sanctions may be imposed by a hearing body singularly or in combination with any of the above-listed sanctions. Examples include, but are not limited to, making restitution for property damage or misappropriation of university property or services, or the property of any person, residence hall contract termination or reassignment to another room, restriction of access to specified campus facilities and/or property, research assignments, community service projects, special workshop participation, referral to medical resources or counseling personnel, and/or educational sanctions.


Appeal Process

3335-23-18 Appellate process.

(A) Right to appeal.

(1) A student found to have violated the Code of student conduct has the right to appeal the original decision. The appeal is not intended to re-hear or re-argue the same case and is limited to the specific grounds outlined in this rule. The appeal must state the specific grounds for the appeal and should include all supporting documentation. The appeal must be postmarked, hand-delivered to the appropriate appeal officer, or sent via email or online form, to the appropriate appeal officer as listed provided below, within five working business days after the date on which notice of the decision is sent to the student. Each student shall be limited to one appeal of a decision of a hearing body. The decision of the appeal officer is final.

(2) Any extensions to the appeal date may be made at the discretion of the director of student conduct, residence life, or the office of academic affairs or their designee.

(3) A student who has accepted responsibility for violating the Code of student conduct waives the right to appeal, except on the basis that the disciplinary sanction is grossly disproportionate to the violation(s) committed.

(4) When found in violation of the Code of student conduct, a respondent shall be limited to one appeal. The decision of the appeal officer is final.
(B) Grounds for appeal.

(1) An appeal may be based only upon one or more of the following grounds:

(a) Procedural error that resulted in material harm or prejudice to the student (i.e., by preventing a fair, impartial, or proper hearing). Deviations from the designated procedures will not be a basis for sustaining an appeal unless material harm or prejudice results; or

(b) Discovery of substantial new evidence that was unavailable at the time of the hearing and which reasonably could have affected the decision of the hearing body;

(c) Disciplinary sanction imposed is grossly disproportionate to the violation(s) committed, considering the relevant aggravating and/or mitigating factors.

(2) Non-attendance by the respondent or the complainant may not be the sole grounds for an appeal.
(C) Appropriate appeal officers.

(1) Appeals from residence hall hearings:

(a) All appeals from residence hall hearings other than contract terminations, shall be submitted to the director of housing and residence life education or designee;

(b) All appeals, when the sanction imposed by the residence hall hearing is contract termination, shall be submitted to the director of student conduct or designee.

(2) Appeals of a decision of a hearing body other than those described in the previous section will be submitted for decision to the vice president of student life or designee.

(3) Appeals of decisions of the committee on academic misconduct or its coordinator will be submitted for decision to the executive vice president and provost or designee.

(D) Appeal proceedings.

(1) The appeal officer will dismiss the appeal if the appeal is not based upon one or more of the grounds set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule.

(2) The appeal officer will decide the appeal based upon a review of the record and supporting documents (e.g., prior disciplinary history).

(E) Possible dispositions by the appeal officer.

The appeal officer may, after a review of the record:

(1) Uphold the original decision and/or sanction(s);

(2) Dismiss the case or individual charge(s) against the student and vacate any portion or all of the sanction(s);

(3) Modify or reduce the sanction(s); or
(3) Remand the case to the original hearing body to consider a specific issue as directed by the appeal officer or refer the case to a new hearing body to be reheard. If possible, a new hearing body should be different from the one that originally decided the case. If a case is reheard by a hearing body, the sanction imposed can be greater than that imposed at the original hearing.

(4) Remand the case to the original hearing body to consider a specific issue as directed by the appeal officer or refer the case to a new hearing body to be reheard. If possible, a new hearing body should be different from the one that originally decided the case. If a case is reheard by a hearing body, the sanction imposed can be greater than that imposed at the original hearing.


3335-23-19 Deviations and other procedures.

A student and hearing officer may agree in advance to deviations from procedure. Such deviations are not then subject to appeal. Other deviations are acceptable as long as such deviations are not found upon appeal to be materially harmful to the respondent. The office of student life, student conduct and the committee on academic misconduct may create additional procedures, such as record retention and reporting, in alignment with this code. Student Conduct will publish standards used to review, investigate, and adjudicate allegations involving registered student organizations. These procedures must be publicly available on the appropriate Ohio State University’s website.

3335-23-20 Interim suspension.

(A) When the vice president for student life or designee has reasonable cause to believe that the student's presence on university premises or at a university-related or registered student organization activity poses a significant risk of substantial harm to the safety or security of themselves, others, or to property, the student may be immediately suspended from all or any portion of university premises, university-related activities or registered student organization activities. The interim suspension will be confirmed by a written statement.

(D) The interim suspension shall remain in effect until:

1. The conclusion of the student conduct process, including any appeal;
2. The vice president for student life or designee terminates the interim suspension in writing; or
3. The vice president for student life or designee terminates the interim suspension upon written request by the student where a determination is made that reasonable cause for the interim suspension no longer exists.
   a. The request from the student must be in writing and must include supporting documentation or evidence that the student does not pose, or no longer poses, a significant risk of substantial harm to the safety or security of themselves, others or to property.
   b. A decision on such a request will be made without undue delay by the vice president for student life or designee.


3335-23-21 Administrative disenrollment and other restrictions.

(A) A student may be: disenrolled from the university; prohibited from all or any portion of university premises, university-related activities or registered student organization activities; and/or permitted to remain only under specified conditions when the vice president for student life or designee finds
that there is clear and convincing evidence that the student’s continued presence poses a significant risk of substantial harm to the health or safety of themselves, others, or to property.

(B)(A) In those cases under paragraph (A) of this rule in which it appears that the risk posed by the student is a result of a health condition or a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, the vice president for student life or designee shall also determine whether the risk or disruption can be eliminated or sufficiently reduced through reasonable accommodation and, if so, shall take appropriate steps to ensure that accommodation is made. The vice president for student life or designee may request the student to undergo an appropriate examination, as specified by the vice president for student life or designee, to determine whether any such condition exists and whether any such accommodation is possible. If the student fails to undergo such an examination, and if the other available evidence supports a finding under paragraph (A) of this rule, the vice president for student life or designee shall, to the extent reasonably possible, take the least restrictive measure or combination of measures necessary to resolve the risk or disruption.

(C)(B) A student who has been disenrolled; prohibited from university premises, university-related activities or registered student organization activities; or permitted to remain only under specified conditions may petition the vice president for student life for revision of that status. The petition must include supporting documentation or evidence that:

1. The conditions found to have existed under paragraph (A) of this rule no longer exist and will not recur, and
2. The student meets all normal and appropriate standards for admission and enrollment in any academic unit in which the student seeks to re-enroll. Upon receipt of such a petition, the vice president for student life or designee shall evaluate the evidence and may consult with the student, any appropriate university personnel, and any other persons whom the vice president for student life or designee deems appropriate. The vice president for student life or designee may deny the petition, grant the petition in whole or in part under specified conditions, or grant the petition in whole or in part without condition.


3335-23-22 Authority.

The bylaws of the university board of trustees and rules of the university faculty provide that the university president shall have the final responsibility and authority for the discipline of all students of the university (see paragraph (A) of rule 3335-11-01 of the Administrative Code). This responsibility and authority has been delegated by the president to the vice president for student life, whose office is also charged with responsibility for promulgation of rules governing student conduct (see paragraph (H) of rule 3335-1-03 of the Administrative Code).

The deans of colleges and of the graduate school, the directors of schools, and the chairpersons of departments, respectively, are responsible to the president through regular disciplinary channels for the discipline of all students in the activities of their respective colleges, schools, and departments (see paragraph (B) of rule 3335-11-01 of the Administrative Code). Likewise, the deans and directors of the regional campuses are responsible to the president through the executive vice president and provost for the discipline of all students in the activities of their respective campuses.

The Ohio state University Code of Student Conduct is an official publication of the university board of trustees. All petitions for revision and amendment of this Code of Student Conduct should be submitted through the office of the vice president for student life. The Code shall remain consistent with the university’s Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct policy; any changes related to these policies shall be done in consultation with the appropriate official designated under the Non-Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct policy. Proposed revisions to the Code shall be reviewed, in draft form, by the office of the president, the office of academic
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affairs, and the steering committee of the university senate before being presented for approval to the university senate by the council on student affairs. No revision shall become effective unless approved by the university board of trustees and until printed notice of such revisions is made available to students.

This Code shall take effect upon approval by the board of trustees. It shall govern all procedures in matters brought after it first takes effect and also all further procedures in matters then pending, except to the extent that in the discretion of the university the application in a particular action pending would not be feasible, in which event the former version of this Code shall be used. The definitions of prohibited conduct used in a particular matter will be the definitions found in the version of section 3335-23-04 in effect at the time the alleged conduct occurred.

The Ohio State University
Council on Student Affairs

2022 – 2023
Code of Student Conduct Review

Approved June 2023 by the Code of Student Conduct Review Committee
Approved September 2023 by the Council on Student Affairs
I. Executive Summary

According to the Code of Student Conduct and the Council on Student Affairs (CSA) Operating Procedures, CSA is required to review the Code of Student Conduct every 5 years and present revision proposals to the University Senate and Board of Trustees. The Chair of CSA for 2022-2023, Kelsey Lowman, established the Code of Student Conduct Review Committee (CRC) during the Fall Semester of 2022 to review and make changes to the Code of Student Conduct. Care was taken to gather a broad and diverse group of students, faculty, and staff members to conduct the review. The CRC members were:

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<td>Undergraduate Student Government (USG)</td>
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<td>Peter Carrera*</td>
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<td>Kelly Smith</td>
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<td>Jennifer Whetstone</td>
<td>Committee on Academic Misconduct (COAM)</td>
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<td>Jen Pelletier</td>
<td>Office of Student Life – Student Activities</td>
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<td>Em Manier</td>
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*Chair

The final makeup of the committee was used to inform the review of the CSA Operating Procedures, which was happening simultaneously, to add specific requirements for who should be part of future reviews. The CRC met a total of 16 times (3 during Fall 2022, 12 during Spring 2023, and 1 during Summer 2023) to review the Code.

CSA’s Code review was originally meant to be completed during the 2021-2022 academic year, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CSA voted to push the review back to the 2022-2023 academic year on September 27, 2021. CSA also voted to create the Code of Student Conduct Audit Committee to collect data and draft suggestions for the review the following year. The Audit Committee met on April 29, 2022. The 2021-2022 Chair of CSA, Caroline Karwisch, chaired the meeting. The Audit Committee collected data and suggestions and passed them along to the CRC to help start the review. The next review is scheduled to take place during the 2027-2028 academic year. The last review was completed during the 2018-2019 academic year with Board approval being given on May 31, 2019.

Highlights of the Code Review:

- Made fixes to inconsistencies on verbs, nominalization, and grammar throughout the Code
- Updated policy numbers and names throughout the Code
- Added an existing accessibility statement to make clear that students are eligible for accommodations from the ADA’s Coordinator’s office
COAM voted April 25, 2023, to change the definition of quorum to decrease the number of voting members from four to three due to issues with getting four voting members to attend hearings.

- Added animal abuse as prohibited conduct
- Added requirement for a process document on cases involving student organizations was added
- Changed UCB and COAM membership requirements to remove GPA requirements for grad/prof students, no “semester or year” as student requirement
- Expansion of introduction to include the Shared Values Framework and honor pledge
- Clarification on when the use of Artificial Intelligence constitutes academic misconduct
- Clarified the definitions of calendar and business days

II. Background

Article X of CSA’s Operating Procedures charges CSA to conduct a review of the Code of Student Conduct every 5 years. The membership requirements outlined in Article X, Section B of CSA’s Operating Procedures were created after selecting the membership of the CRC to aid in future reviews:

“The committee is to have the following members and shall be chaired by one of its student members:

- Three (3) undergraduate students appointed by the Undergraduate Student Government, at least one of whom is from the Council
- One (1) graduate student appointed by the Council of Graduate Students
- One (1) professional student appointed by the Inter-Professional Council
- One (1) faculty member designated by the Council Administrator in consultation with the Council Chair
- One (1) Student Life staff member designated by the Council Administrator in consultation with the Council Chair
- One (1) Office Institutional Equity staff member designated by the Council Administrator in consultation with the Council Chair
- Two (2) Legal Affairs staff members designated by the Council Administrator in consultation with the Council Chair. (non-voting)
- One (1) Student Activities staff member designated by the Council Administrator in consultation with the Council Chair. (non-voting)
- One (1) Student Advocacy Center staff member designated by the Council Administrator in consultation with the Council Chair. (non-voting)
- Director of Student Conduct, or designee (non-voting)
- Committee on Academic Misconduct Coordinator (COAM), or designee (non-voting)"

The Chair of CSA for 2022-2023, Kelsey Lowman, appointed two co-Chairs to the committee, both of whom were students. When selecting members, the Chairs prioritized choosing members who had served on UCB, COAM, or a previous Code Review. The above committee selection guidelines were created by the Chairs and used during the review of CSA’s Operating
Procedures. Even though non-voting members were not always present during each meeting, the inclusion of multiple non-voting members gave additional expertise to the committee, which was especially helpful due to the nature of the proposed changes.

In selecting a faculty member for the CRC, the Chairs began by looking for an expert of ethics or philosophy to help guide the committee in incorporating the Shared Values Initiative to the Code and were fortunate to find Piers Turner, the Director of the Center for Ethics and Human Values at OSU.

III. Approach

The committee’s approach to completing the review included the following stages and items:

Stage 1: Data Gathering & Brainstorming

- The Chairs met with the previous Chair of the 2018-2019 CRC (Anthony Long, 2022-2023 IPC President), the Director of Student Conduct, and the COAM Coordinator to construct our timeline and review our approach (Stages 1 through 3)
- The Code of Student Conduct Audit Committee’s findings were used to determine the areas of the Code for which review should be prioritized:
  - Student organizations as part of the student definition
    - How are things similar/different for students and student organizations going through the conduct process?
  - Increased focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion in the Code as well as in appointments to UCB and COAM
  - Increased reporting and annual statistics on conduct cases
  - More plain language and easier accessibility
- Determined committee makeup and invited committee members to join CRC, found a weekly timeframe during which the majority of members were available
- The goals of the initial meeting were to:
  - Introduce the committee members
  - Review the background of the Code of Student Conduct
  - Review the conduct process from start to finish (presented by the Director of Student Conduct and by the COAM Coordinator)
  - Introduce CSA’s Audit Committee’s findings
  - Prioritize members’ goals in the Code review
- Created and distributed a survey in collaboration with the Center for the Study of Student Life to gather input on the Code of Student Conduct from students, faculty, and staff
  - Appendix I details the survey results and a summary of findings
- Reviewed the Codes of Conduct of other Big 10 Institutions and other large universities in the State of Ohio. Appendix II details the universities reviewed and members’ summaries of their assigned codes. Committee members were charged to find differences, similarities between OSU’s Code and the codes of other universities, as well as language in other codes that addressed areas of interest as determined by the committee in the first meeting and as provided by CSA’s Audit Committee.
Stage 2: Review & Edit

- Once all survey data were gathered and summarized, notes were taken from other university codes, and all members had a baseline understanding of OSU’s Code and conduct processes, the committee began discussing and reviewing each of these relevant data sources in determining which areas of OSU’s Code to change or add.
- Individual or small groups of committee members were charged with creating rough drafts of potential changes broken by topic as found above. These rough drafts were introduced during subsequent meetings and the entire committee would work together to finalize and vote on the change, update verbiage, etc.
- A working “to-do” shared document was kept with all changes made. This document served as the outline for the above Highlights of the Code Review.
- A shared “working document” of the new Code of Conduct was kept and shared with the committee, and final changes were directly added into this document.
- Several edits were made to update old or incorrect OSU policies, links, etc.
- Three copies of the new document were made:

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Stage 3: Finalization & Submission

- The Chairs created this document to serve as outline for completing the Code review for all future CRC members.
- The CRC met to finalize the document and approve it to go to CSA for a vote.
- CSA will meet to approve the document and send it to the University Senate Steering Committee, Office of Academic Affairs, and President’s Office.
- Any proposed changes from these groups will be discussed and a finalized document/resolution will be prepared for University Senate.
- The University Senate will vote on the document and approve it to be sent to the Board of Trustees.
- The Board of Trustees will approve the document and the new Code will come into effect.

IV. Suggestions for Future Reviews

Please consider the below:

- The CRC made and approved several changes to Section 3335-23-04 – Prohibited conduct. These changes, in Appendix III, primarily improve the readability and understanding of Section
A – Academic Misconduct. CRC decided to not implement these changes in this review due to limitations of COAM’s current legacy technology, which are planned to be updated in the next year. CRC recommends approving these changes in the next review.

- Take a closer look at the way student organizations are treated in the Code. During this review it was decided to create a process document on organizations instead of splitting them out of the student definition. By the time of the next review however, it may be necessary to split this definition.
- When creating a timeline, take note of the last CSA, University Senate, and Board of Trustees meetings. Plan backwards from the latest meeting you are trying to have the Code ready for to make sure everything gets done on time.
  o Update CSA on your approach and progress on the Code review so that they are aware of the changes before voting on it
  o If the review cannot make it to the Board by the end of the academic year/early summer, aim to have it at least through. CSA by the end of the academic year so it will be through all the relevant processes to be voted on at University Senate and the Board by fall.

V. Conclusion

The CRC finalized all changes and voted to approve the new Code of Student Conduct on June 30, 2023. Appendix IV includes the new Code of Student Conduct in its entirety. CSA met and approved the new Code of Student Conduct on September 11, 2023. At this point the Chairs send the Code of Student Conduct to the President’s Office, Office of Academic Affairs, and the University Senate Steering Committee. After their approval, CSA submitted and introduced the new Code of Student Conduct to the University Senate.
APPENDIX I – Conducted Student, Faculty, and Staff Survey

Survey Responses (60 students, 56 faculty, 67 staff, and 7 respondents who were one or more of the categories):

Summary of Survey Responses:
## APPENDIX II – Reviewed Codes of Conducts of Other Universities

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**Summary of notes from each university:**

![CSA Code of Student Conduct - C](https://www.bgsu.edu/student-handbook/code-of-conduct.html)
APPENDIX III – Updated Section 3335-23-04

Updated Section 3335-23-04 – Prohibited conduct for subsequent Code of Student Conduct Review for inclusion in the next version of the Code of Student Conduct.
APPENDIX IV – Final 2023 Code of Student Conduct
BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the faculty personnel actions as recorded in the personnel budget records of the university since the August 17, 2023, meeting of the board, including the following appointments, appointments/reappointments of chairpersons, faculty professional leaves and emeritus titles:

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Appointments/Reappointments of Chairpersons

DAVID CIVITTOLO, Interim Associate Dean and Interim Director, OSU Extension, September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

SOLEDAD FERNANDEZ**, Director, Center for Biostatistics, July 18, 2023, through June 30, 2028

JULIE JOHNSON*, Director, Center for Clinical and Translational Science, October 9, 2023, through June 30, 2028

WHITNEY LUKE, Chair, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

ANTOINETTE MIRANDA**, Chair, Department of Teaching and Learning, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025

EUGENE OLTZ**, Chair, Department of Microbial Infection and Immunity, August 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

BENJAMIN SEGAL**, Chair, Department of Neurology, July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

JAMES STRANGE**, Chair, Department of Entomology, October 1, 2023, through June 30, 2027

**Reappointment
*New Hire

Faculty Professional Leaves

SARAH ANDERSON, Professor, College of Public Health, FPL for Fall 2024, and Spring 2025

ASHLEY FELIX, Associate Professor, College of Public Health, FPL for Fall 2024, and Spring 2025

DAVID FRANCIS, Professor, Department of Horticulture and Crop Science, FPL for Spring 2024

STEPHANIE LIU, Associate Professor, Department of Human Sciences, FPL for Fall 2024

DANIELA MITEVA, Associate Professor, Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics, FPL for Fall 2023

CAROLINE WAGNER, Professor, John Glenn College of Public Affairs, FPL for Fall 2023

Faculty Professional Leave Changes/Cancellations

CINDY ANDERSON, Professor, College of Nursing, Change of FPL from Fall 2023 to Spring 2024
PHILIP GRANDINETTI, Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Change of FPL from Fall 2023 to Fall 2023 and Spring 2024

C K SHUM, Professor, School of Earth Sciences, Change of FPL from Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 to Spring 2024 only

MAURICE STEVENS, Professor, Department of Comparative Studies, FPL cancellation for Spring 2023

CHRISTOPHER WOLTERS, Professor, Department of Educational Studies, Change of FPL from Spring 2024 to Fall 2024

Emeritus Titles

GERENE BAULDOFF, College of Nursing, with the title of Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective January 1, 2024

JACKIE BLOUNT, Department of Educational Studies, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective January 1, 2024

ROBERT BOYD, Department of Neuroscience, with the title of Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective June 1, 2021

MARCEL CASAVANT, Department of Pediatrics, with the title of Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective July 6, 2023

DOUGLAS DOOHAN, Department of Horticulture and Crop Science, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective August 1, 2023

KRISTEN GREMILLION, Department of Anthropology, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective January 1, 2024

JAMES GRIFFITH, Department of English, with the title of Associated Faculty Emeritus, effective June 1, 2018

DAVID LINDSEY, Department of Surgery, with the title of Associate Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective September 1, 2023

STUART LISHAN, Department of English, Marion, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective June 1, 2024

LAWRENCE NEEDLEMAN, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, with the title of Associate Professor-Clinical Emeritus, effective September 1, 2023

DAVID STEIN, Department of Educational Studies, with the title of Associate Professor-Emeritus, effective January 1, 2024
GALAL WALKER, Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures, with the title of Professor-Emeritus, effective January 1, 2024
2023/2024 Promotion, Tenure and Reappointment Results

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Smyth, Joshua, Psychology, August 1, 2023

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Abito, Jose Miguel (Mike), Economics, August 15, 2023
Aranke, Sampada, History of Art, August 15, 2023
Huang, Haifeng, Political Science, August 15, 2023
Morgan, Zachary, Comparative Studies, August 15, 2023
Wilson, Gloria, Arts Administration, Education and Policy, August 15, 2023
Zadrozny, Joseph, Chemistry and Biochemistry, January 1, 2024

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

REAPPOINTMENT
Kraft, Nicole, School of Communication, September 1, 2023

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

RESEARCH
REAPPOINTMENT
McKoon, Gail, Psychology, September 1, 2024
Shoots-Reinhard, Brittany, Psychology, September 1, 2024

COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Zandona, Andrea, August 15, 2023
Duangthip, Duangporn (Tammy), November 1, 2023

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Carberry, Adam, Engineering Education, August 1, 2023
Getman Rachel, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, August 15, 2023
Little, Jesse, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, August 15, 2023

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

REAPPOINTMENT
Beach, Elvin, Materials Science and Engineering, September 1, 2024
Brown, Jonathan, Materials Science and Engineering, September 1, 2024
Burton, Kimberly, Knowlton School of Architecture, August 15, 2024
Jhemi, Ali, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, August 15, 2024
Kennedy, Kristina, Engineering Education, July 1, 2024
Kimchi, Menachem, Materials Science and Engineering, August 15, 2024
Marzette, Russel, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, August 15, 2024
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Morris, Jeremy, Computer Science and Engineering, August 15, 2024
Phillips, David, Materials Science and Engineering, August 15, 2024
Ramnath, Rajiv, Computer Science and Engineering, August 15, 2024
Ritchie, Brian, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, August 15, 2024
Ryslik, Gregory, Computer Science and Engineering, August 15, 2024
Sinha, Vaibhav, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, August 15, 2023

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
RESEARCH
Alexandrov, Boian, Materials Science and Engineering, June 1, 2024
Chen, Chi-Chih, Electrical and Computer Engineering, August 15, 2024
Sayre, Jay, Materials Science and Engineering, September 1, 2022
Seidt, Jeremy, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, September 1, 2024
Tawfik, Eslam, Electrical and Computer Engineering, August 1, 2024
Taylor, Christopher, Materials Science and Engineering, November 1, 2024

COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITHOUT TENURE
Hollingsworth, Alex, Food, Environmental, and Development Economics, August 15, 2023

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Gallagher, Patrick, Pediatrics, August 1, 2023
Johnson, Julie, Internal Medicine, October 9, 2023
Kraguljac, Nina, Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, September 22, 2023
Parwani, Anil, Pathology, September 1, 2023
Wang, Shu-Hua, Internal Medicine, October 1, 2023

COLLEGE OF NURSING
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Lorenz, Rebecca, October 1, 2023

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY
PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Kroetz, Deanna, September 1, 2023

COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH
CLINICAL
REAPPOINTMENT
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Kaye, Gail, November 1, 2023

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Krings, Amy, August 15, 2023

FISHER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
Gee, Kurt, Accounting and Management Information Systems, August 15, 2023
Wu, Yufeng, Finance, August 15, 2023
Synopsis: Approval of Degrees and Certificates for autumn term 2023 is proposed.

WHEREAS pursuant to paragraph (E) of rule 3335-1-06 of the Administrative Code, the Board has authority for the issuance of degrees and certificates; and

WHEREAS the faculties of the colleges and schools shall transmit, in accordance with rule 3335-9-29 of the Administrative Code, for approval by the Board of Trustees, the names of persons who have completed degree and certificate requirements:

NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the degrees and certificates to be conferred on December 17, 2023, to those persons who have completed the requirements for their respective degrees and certificates and are recommended by the colleges and schools.