

**Code of Academic Integrity
Proposed Changes to Section II, C
February 5, 2007**

(Deletions - ~~strikethroughs~~) (Additions - underlined)

4. ~~The Board may act in one or more of the following ways:~~

- a. ~~Find the student innocent of the charge~~
- b. ~~Find the student guilty of the charge and~~
 - i. ~~Recommend to the faculty member that she or he reduce the penalty given~~
 - ii. ~~Affirm the faculty member's decision~~
 - iii. ~~Recommend that the faculty member record a failing grade for the course, or for some portion of it~~
 - iv. ~~Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the student be placed on probation (or the college's equivalent)~~
 - v. ~~Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the student be suspended from the University for a period of time~~
 - vi. ~~Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the words "declared guilty of violation of the Code of Academic Integrity" be recorded on the student's transcript. The Hearing Board may set a date after which the student may petition the Board to have these words deleted from the transcript~~
 - vii. ~~Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the student be expelled from the University~~
 - viii. ~~Recommend to the dean of the student's college any other suitable action, including counseling, community service, or reprimand~~

4. The Board may either

- a. Find the student innocent of the charge, or
- b. Find the student guilty of the charge and act in one or more of the following ways:
 - i. Affirm the faculty member's decision

ii. Direct the faculty member to change the penalty given. Examples of possible penalties are to: record a failing grade in the course, record a failing grade in some portion of the course, and reduce the final grade of the student one level (e.g. from B to B-, or C- to D)

iii. Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the student be placed on probation (or the college's equivalent)

iv. Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the student be suspended from the University for a period of time

v. Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the words "declared guilty of violation of the Code of Academic Integrity" be recorded on the student's transcript. The Hearing Board may set a date after which the student may petition the Board to have these words deleted from the transcript

vi. Recommend to the dean of the student's college that the student be expelled from the University

vii. Recommend to the dean of the student's college any other suitable action, including counseling, community service, or reprimand.

5. e. Reporting and Implementation of Decision. The dean of the student's college shall be notified of the decision of the college Hearing Board within 7 days. Unless an appeal is filed under the guidelines established below, the dean of the student's college shall ensure that the decision of the Hearing Board is carried out and shall notify all parties of the implementation and the decision.

6.5. Review of Decision. The student may appeal a decision of the Hearing Board. The appeal must be directed to the dean of the student's college, in writing, and shall be constructed according to one or both of the guidelines established below. The appeal shall normally be submitted within 4 weeks of notification of the Board's decision, but exceptions to this deadline may be granted by the dean on showing of good cause. If the Board's decision involves students from more than one college, the deans involved shall consult with each other.

a. Appeal of a finding of guilt. A student who has received a finding of guilt from the Board, or whose finding of guilt in a Primary Hearing was upheld by the Board, may appeal on one or both of the following grounds:

i. Additional evidence which might have affected the outcome of the hearing became available following the hearing.

ii. A violation of procedure by the Hearing Board that might have prejudiced the outcome of the hearing.

The dean may deny the appeal or send the case back to the Hearing Board for reconsideration.

b. Appeal of a penalty. The student may appeal the findings of the Hearing Board regarding penalties. The appeal shall specify the reasons why the student believes the penalty is inappropriate. After consultation with the Hearing Board, the dean may take one of the following actions:

- i. If a grade penalty has been exacted (~~II.C.4.b.i-iii~~) (II C 4 b i-ii), the dean may ~~recommend to direct~~ the faculty member ~~that the grade penalty be reduced to reduce the grade penalty.~~
- ii. If another penalty has been exacted (~~II.C.4.b.iv-viii~~) (II C 4 b iii-vi), the dean may modify or decline to carry out the recommended penalty.

In all but the most unusual circumstances, it is the expectation that the findings and recommendations of the Hearing Board will be upheld by the dean. The dean's decision cannot be appealed.

7. 6. Annual Reports. Each college Academic Integrity Hearing Board shall submit a summary report of its proceedings (without identifying any particular student) to the Dean of the Faculty at the end of the academic year. The names of the members of the Board and any significant departures in procedure should be reported as well.

8. 7. Honor Codes. The existing school honor codes as in the College of Veterinary Medicine and the Law School are not governed by the foregoing legislation, but current versions of these honor codes must be kept on file with the Office of the Dean of the Faculty. In the case of allegations against a student enrolled in a course subject to a school honor code but registered in another college, all actions beyond the primary hearing revert to the Hearing Board of the student's college.

9. 8. Records of Action. If the student is found guilty, a record of the outcome of the case and the nature of the violation shall be kept by the Hearing Board, and copies shall be sent to the record keeper in the student's college, if different from the College in which the violation occurred. The record keeper shall disclose this record to Hearing Boards considering other charges against the same student, to deans or associate deans of colleges in furtherance of legitimate educational interests, to the Registrar for notation on the transcript when provided by the decision of the Hearing Board and the dean, but to no one else unless specifically directed by the student.

If the student is found not guilty by the Hearing Board, all records of the case, including the report of the primary hearing, shall be expunged from the files of the record keeper.