

May 6, 1986

MEMORANDUM

TO: Keith R. Kleckner
Senior Vice President
for University Affairs and Provost

FROM: Anne H. Tripp, Chair *ast*
Academic Conduct Committee

SUBJECT: Annual Report, 1985-86

The Academic Conduct Committee has met, to date, over twenty times this academic year. With the exception of one meeting to discuss procedural matters and an informal session to listen to a request for a review of a previous decision, all were convened to hear cases of alleged academic misconduct. Since the academic year runs through the summer term, the work of the Committee is not yet over -- there are currently some pending cases and others which may arise -- a complete record is not possible. However, at my request the Student Services office has compiled a preliminary summary for your perusal. This shows that the Committee has heard eighteen cases involving twenty-six students, three of whom were found not guilty of the charge brought by a faculty member. Past records indicate that the cases heard were a bit more numerous than usual. (A copy of the preliminary report is appended)

The penalties assessed ranged from probation to Academic Disciplinary Suspension for three semesters. In each case, members of the Academic Conduct Committee discussed the matter carefully and came to unanimous agreement on guilt or innocence. I believe each member is comfortable with the decisions rendered and penalties assessed.

The Committee did resolve one matter left over from last year -- the question of refunding a student's tuition if found guilty of misconduct and suspended from the University. The Committee set forth the following policy:

- 1) In cases where a timely hearing is conducted and a guilty decision rendered in the semester in which the violation occurs, no refund of tuition and fees will be made except as it pertains to the official date-related refund scale published each semester in the Schedule of Classes.
- 2) In cases where a timely hearing can not be held -- within the semester that the violation allegedly occurs -- and the student has enrolled in the next semester where the dismissal decision is rendered, a refund of tuition and appropriate fees will be made.

The Academic Conduct Committee used the reimbursement procedures of the Academic Standing and Honors Committee as a precedent for this policy, which was conveyed to Staff Attorney June A. Rosenbloom.

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Toward the end of the winter semester, the Committee began to discuss the possibility of revising Academic Conduct Guidelines for students and faculty. Specifically, we determined to examine the possibility of reviving the old Oakland pamphlet "On Property and Propriety In Ideas." Members agree that particular forms of misconduct associated with the greater use of computers and the addition of new programs of a non-traditional nature necessitate a careful review of existing materials. Although this project is in its formative stage, I would expect that 1986-87 will bring results in this area.

As mentioned above, the Academic Conduct Committee worked smoothly and in harmony during the year. I see no impediments beyond the problem of scheduling hearings so that the members, the accused student, and the faculty member involved can be present. Although some hearings were delayed for unavoidable scheduling problems, most were concluded within a reasonable time. This was true because of the dedication of the members: Professors Frances Jackson, Theodore Landau, Subbaiah Perla, Kristine Salomon, Steven Miller, Tung Weng, and Dean Purcell; students Robert Waters, Tammy Vetter, and Keith Faber; and Dean Manuel Pierson, ex officio.

I conclude this report with thanks to all of the above for their service, especially to Dean Pierson and Ms. Geri Graham for their assistance in preparing cases, scheduling hearings, and being enormously helpful in every way.

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cc: Manuel H. Pierson, Dean for Student Services
Theodore Landau, Department of Psychology

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY: ACADEMIC CONDUCT COMMITTEE

1985-86 PRELIMINARY SUMMARY OF ACTIONS
(September - April)

	<u># students</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Dcsn</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
1.	1	ACC	Copying during exam	G	ADS-1 year
2.	2	AH	Collaboration	G	AD Reprimand
3.	1	ECN	Cheat Sheet	G	ADP-G
4.	1	RGSR	Fraudulent Drop Slip	G*	7-mo trns. hold
5.	2	CIS	Collaboration	G*	ADS-IR/ADP
6.	1	MTH	Changing Exam	NG	No Penalty
7.	1	IS	Plagiarism	G	ADP**
8.	1	ORG	Cheat Sheet	G*	ADS-3 terms/ADPG
9.	1	PHY	Exam done out of class	G	ADS-6 terms/ADPG
10.	1	MTH	Copying during exam	G*	ADS-2 terms/ADPG
11.	1	MTH	Cheat Sheet	G*	ADS-2 terms/ADPG
12.	1	HST	Plagiarism	G*	ADS-1 trm**/ADPG
13.	4	EGN	Collab./Plagiarism	3G/1NG	ADP-G
14.	2	EGN	Copying during exam	G	ADS-2 terms/ADPG
15.	1	AH	Plagiarism	G*	ADS-2 terms/ADPG
16.	1	MTH	Cheat Sheet	G*	ADS-3 tm***/ADPG
17.	2	HRD	Plagiarism	1 G	ADS-3 terms/ADPG
18.	2	STS	Collab/Collus/Plag	1NG	No Penalty
				1G-Plag	ADS-2 years**

Key: ADS=Academic Disciplinary Suspension
 ADR=Academic Disciplinary Reprimand
 ADPG=Academic Disciplinary Probation until graduation

Notes: Case #9--the exam was an in-class exam.
 Cases 17 & 18 involve only of three students--one named in both.

*student pleaded guilty
 **part of penalty is to complete specific course(s)
 ***no transfer credits out of or into OU for suspension period

CASES PENDING:

19. 1 EGN Cheat Sheet
 20. 1 MTH Cheat Sheet

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