

# NON-ACADEMIC DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

July 2007 through June 2008

This report highlights the resolution of allegations of violations of the Standards of Student Conduct from the 2007- 2008 academic year. The non-academic disciplinary procedures involve a hearing before the Peer Community Standards Board (PCSB), a hearing with a dean or with an administrator, a hearing before a University Disciplinary Council (UDC), or a hearing before a University Administrative Hearing Officer (AH).

The report is presented in two six-month periods: July 2007 through December 2007, and January 2008 through June 2008, for a total of 177 cases for the academic year.

	July 2007- December 2007	January 2008- June 2008	Total
<b>Disciplinary dispositions:</b>			
Peer Community Standards Board Hearings:	12	22	34
Dean's Hearings:	67	61	128
Student Organization Hearings (closed):	0	1	1
Administrative Hearings:	3	11	14
University Disciplinary Council Hearings:	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>177</b>

A few comments about details presented in this report may be helpful. By providing some detail, we hope to educate the Brown community regarding the outcomes of behaviors that negatively impact the University and its members. In order to maintain the confidentiality of the disciplinary process, however, some details of the cases are not provided. Finally the work represented in these hearings is both time-consuming and complex. Much appreciation is extended to the following campus members who provide invaluable service to Brown: students (members of the PCSB), faculty (advisors), deans and administrators (for dean's hearings), and deans, administrators, and faculty (Members of the University Administrative Hearings).

## PEER COMMUNITY STANDARD BOARD (PCSB) HEARINGS

Alleged minor and first violations of University policies and procedures involving false fire alarm incidents, theft, and noise complaints by students, are usually resolved through Peer Community Standard Board Hearings.

	July 2007- December 2007	January 2008- June 2008	Total
No finding of a violation:	2	2	4
Reprimand:	9	19	28
Probation:	0	1	1
No Action Taken:	1	0	1
Open cases:	0	0	0

Deferred Suspension:	0	0	0
Charges Withdrawn	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>34</b>

### DEAN'S HEARINGS

Matters that do not warrant separation from the University and/or a permanent record notation are resolved through Dean's Hearings. If the dean/administrator who hears a case determines that a violation of the Standards of Student Conduct occurred, the dean/administrator imposes a sanction. In determining an appropriate sanction, the dean/administrator considers the nature of the offense, the evidence and testimony available, and the student's prior disciplinary record, if any. ***Because a student's prior record is considered in determining an appropriate sanction, often similar violations result in different outcomes.***

**Dean's Hearings resulted in the following sanctions:**

	July 2007- December 2007	January 2008- June 2008	Total
No finding of a violation:	15	6	21
Reprimand:	36	40	76
Probation:	10	7	17
No Action Taken:	4	5	9
Open Cases:	0	2*	2
Deferred Suspension:	2	1	3
Charges Withdrawn	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>128</b>

Typical incidents include possession and/or consumption of alcohol while under the legal drinking age, theft, harassment, entering the room of another student without authorization, vandalism, disruptive off-campus parties, being responsible for the behavior of a guest, provision and/or sale of alcohol to others under the legal drinking age, alcohol-related behavior, disruption in the residence halls, lying to a DPS officer, possession and/or use of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, fire safety violations, possession of a keg in a residence hall, smoking in a residence hall, damaging University and personal property, pet policy violations, being on the roof of a University building, failing to comply with the proper directives of a DPS officer and other administrators, possessing and/or burning a candle in a residence hall, entering/leaving a University building through a window, parking police violations, pushing another student, using fireworks, entering university facilities without authorization, throwing objects out of a window (defenestration), violating the terms of probation, and second minor violations (e.g., computing policy, quiet hours, etc.).

*\*Students on leave of absence. Cases expected to come to a resolution upon their return to Brown.*

## STUDENT ORGANIZATION HEARINGS

Alleged violations of University policies and procedures by student organizations are resolved through Student Organization Hearings.

**Student Organization Hearing resulted in the following sanction:**

	July 2007 - December 2007	January 2008 - June 2008	Total
No finding of a violation:	0	0	0
Deferred Social Probation:	0	1	1
Probation:	0	0	0
Reprimand:	0	0	0
Ongoing:	0	0	0
No Action:	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**This incident involved damage to University property.**

In addition to the types of sanctions listed above for Student Organization Hearing, some cases may result in fines, restitution, alcohol and other education/counseling, community restitution, reflective writing assignments.

## UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Matters that may warrant separation from the University and/or a permanent record notation are resolved through University Administrative (AH) Hearings. If the Administrative hearing officer determines that a violation of the Standards of Student Conduct occurred, the Administrative officer recommends an appropriate sanction to the Associate Vice President for Campus Life/Dean for Student Life. When determining an appropriate sanction, the Administrative officer considers *the nature of the offense, the evidence and testimony available, and whether or not the student has a prior disciplinary record.*

**University Administrative Hearings resulted in the following sanctions:**

Violation	July 2007 - December 2007		January 2008 - June 2008		Total
	# of Cases	Sanction	# of Cases	Sanction	
Physical Assaults	1	Deferred Suspension	0	n/a	1
Sexual misconduct	2	1. Probation 2. Suspension	2	1. Suspension 2. Suspension	4

Property Damage with Malicious Intent	0	n/a	1	Suspension	1
Possession and/or Provision of drugs	0	n/a	2	1. Probation 2. Suspension	2
Disruption with aggravated circumstances	0	n/a	2	1. Suspension 2. Suspension	2
Possession and/or use of fireworks	0	n/a	1	Probation	1
No Finding of Violation	0	n/a	1	n/a	1
Ongoing	0	n/a	2*	n/a	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>11</b>		<b>14</b>

\*Students on leave of absence with an uncertain date of return.

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#### <sup>1</sup> OFFENSES AGAINST THE STANDARDS OF STUDENT CONDUCT, 2007 – 2008

**Offense I:** Behavior that disrupts or materially interferes with the basic rights of others and the educational functions of the University.

**Offense II.a.:** Actions that result in or can be reasonably expected to result in physical harm to a person or persons.

**Offense II.b.:** Actions that are unreasonably disruptive of the University community and/or its neighborhoods.

**Offense II.c.:** Actions that result in or can be reasonably expected to result in damage to property.

**Offense III:** Sexual Misconduct: non-consensual physical contact of a sexual nature.

**Offense IV:** Subjecting another person or group to abusive, threatening, intimidating, or harassing actions, including, but not limited to, those based on race, religion, gender, disability, age, economic status, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

**Offense V.a.:** Illegal possession or use of drugs and/or alcohol and/or drug paraphernalia.

**Offense V.b.:** The illegal provision, sale, or possession with intent to sell/provide drugs and/or alcohol and/or drug paraphernalia.

**Offense VI:** Theft or attempted theft of property and/or possession of stolen property.

**Offense VII:** Failing to comply with the proper directive(s) of a University official, including refusing to identify oneself or refusing to present University identification to a University staff member, including members of the Department of Public Safety.

**Offense VIII:** Possession, use, or distribution of firearms, ammunition, explosives, or other weapons.

**Offense IX:** Violation of operational rules governing various offices, departments and facilities of the University (e.g., Residential Life, Student Activities Office, Food Services, Computing and Information Services, the Libraries, etc.).

**Offense X.a.:** Misrepresentation: Lying or materially misrepresenting information to an official University body or officer, including a member of the Department of Public Safety.

**Offense X.b.:** Misrepresentation: Lying in the course of a non-academic disciplinary hearing constitutes an offense that is immediately actionable.

**Offense XI:** Violation of the terms of any non-academic disciplinary sanction.

**Offense XII:** Failing to appear as a witness during a non-academic disciplinary hearing