

Annual Report
1996/97
University Board on Student Discipline
Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals

This is a combined report from the University Board on Student Discipline (UBSD) and the Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals (SCODA) reporting on the third year of operation of the revised policies on student academic dishonesty and misconduct.

The University Board on Student Discipline heard and decided eight cases in the period 1 September 1996 to 31 August 1997. The cases included five cases of cheating on an examination or an assignment, and three cases of falsification of documents.. A summary of the cases heard by UBSD is attached for the information of Senate. It will be published in Simon Fraser News in the near future.

The Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals did not hear any cases during the review period.

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- Faculty: Sam Black
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File #	Nature of Offense	Student Discipline Case Summary	Outcome
96-3	Two cases of cheating in final examination. Both students copied answers from each other and were aware of the copying	Students admitted cheating. Penalty imposed by Department (F grade in course) to stand. Formal letter of reprimand issued by President to remain in a sealed envelope in the Office of the Registrar until students have graduated.	
96-4	Presented falsified medical certificate in support of request for retroactive withdrawal	Student admitted falsifying documentation. President suspended student for two semesters and required student to do community service at SFU in lieu of one additional semester suspension.	
96-5	Three cases of cheating in mid-term examination	Students admitted cheating. President suspended one student for two semesters for cheating and impersonation of another student; suspended another student for three semesters for requesting and having another student write the examination; and suspended the other student for one semester for copying the work of another student.	
96-6	Falsified documentation on admission	Student admitted falsifying documentation. Registration revoked and prohibited from applying for admission for two semesters. Student must establish admissibility to the University under criteria in effect at the time of re-entry.	
96-7	Submission of essays which were not student's own work	Board found student submitted work that was not his/her own. Penalty imposed by Department (F in course) to stand.	
96-8	Submission of virtually identical assignments by two students who worked together on the same project	One student admitted copying. Board found the other student did not take reasonable measures to protect his/her work from being copied. Penalty imposed by Department (Zero on assignment) to stand for both students.	
97-1	Submission of virtually identical assignments by two students who studied together	Board found students submitted work that was jointly produced rather than independent work. Penalty imposed by Department (zero on assignment) to stand for both students.	
97-2	Signatures forged in order to gain entry as a Special Audit Student in three courses	Student admitted forging signatures. (Student ineligible to apply for re-admission for at least two semesters due to RTW status). President prohibited student from re-applying to SFU for six semesters since a prohibition of less than four semesters would negate the effect of penalty.	