

# Article 7. Committee Determination

## 7.01

At the close of questioning and upon consideration of all the evidence presented, the Hearing Panel shall decide whether the accused student has committed a violation in private deliberations. Deliberations may be suspended and reconvened as many times as necessary by the Hearing Panel, but a determination must be submitted not later than two weeks after the hearing of the matter.

## 7.02

A determination by the Hearing Panel that the accused student violated the SCC requires a simple majority of the voting members of the Hearing Panel to determine, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the accused student committed acts that violated the SCC. For purposes of any vote pursuant to this rule, each member of the Hearing Panel, regardless of rank, shall have one vote.

## 7.03

If the Hearing Panel determines that the accused student violated the SCC, it shall determine the appropriate sanction by a simple majority of the voting members of the SC Committee. The Hearing Panel's vote on the determination of the violation and sanctions shall become the determination of the SC Committee.

## 7.04

The Assistant Dean of Student and Career Services shall notify the accused student of the SC Committee's determination at its earliest possible convenience. If the SC Committee determined that the accused student violated the SCC, such notification shall advise the student of his/her right to appeal pursuant to Article 9 of this SCC.

## 7.05

The identity of the accused student shall remain confidential, and no information describing or characterizing the accused student shall be disseminated by members of the SC Committee. Notwithstanding the above provisions, the Chair shall transmit information regarding the final disposition of the hearing, including any pertinent evidence presented therein, to the Dean of the School of Law and the University Registrar. Before transmitting information to any person or organization requesting information about the academic standing of a student who was determined to have violated the SCC, the Registrar shall seek the written consent of the student, made either directly to the Registrar or to the requesting person or organization. If the student who was determined to have violated the SCC refuses to consent to the Registrar's request or fails to provide consent within one week of the request, the Registrar shall not transmit academic information of any kind to the person or organization requesting such information. Instead, the Registrar shall send a letter to the person or organization requesting the information stating that the student did not consent to the release of his or her academic information.

## 7.06

Upon completion of the full hearing, or the entry of the accused student into a plea agreement, the Office of the Assistant Dean of Student and Career Services shall post on the administrative bulletin board, blackboard or TWEN site, or both, a brief statement describing: (a) the violations of the SCC alleged in the complaint; (b) whether the accused student was found innocent, admitted the violations, or was found to have committed the violations alleged in the complaint; and (c) the sanctions imposed by the SC Committee, if any. The name of the accused student shall be omitted from the public statement unless the student exercises his/her option to have the hearing made public pursuant to Article 6.06 of this SCC. If the accused student has requested a public hearing, his/ her name will be included in the public statement.