

Hearings

Hearings are designed to give students the opportunity to provide insight regarding specific incidents from their perspective. This allows the hearing officer to gain a deeper understanding of the facts of the case. Hearing officers will make a determination on whether or not a violation occurred as well as a determination on what sanctions are appropriate for the violation. Please see below for important information regarding hearings within the Office of Community Standards:

- Typically, hearings are scheduled in 30-minute increments.
- During the hearing, the assigned hearing officer will spend time getting to know students, explaining hearing procedures, and hearing from the student and witnesses, if applicable. The hearing officer will ask follow-up questions in their attempt to gain a full understanding of the incident.
- If advisors or support persons are present, they are not permitted to address the hearing officer or speak to the facts of the case as they are present at the request of the student.
- All hearings are recorded and stored electronically as part of the student's disciplinary record.
- If a student fails to attend an informal or formal resolution meeting, the hearing will proceed in the student's absence.