

Timeframes

Consistent with the goal to maximize educational opportunities, the Office of Community Standards will seek to resolve all disputes under this Code promptly and equitably — usually within no more than one academic semester, depending on when a matter is brought to the attention of the University. For purposes of resolving disputes under this Code, a “day” is defined as a “business day.” Business days do not include weekends or holidays.

Time frames may be extended as necessary to ensure the integrity and completeness of an investigation, comply with a request by external law enforcement, accommodate the availability of witnesses, accommodate delays, account for University breaks or vacations, or address other legitimate reasons, including the complexity of an investigation (including the number of witnesses and volume of information to be considered) and the severity and extent of the alleged conduct. Best efforts will be made to complete the process in a timely manner by balancing the need for thoroughness, fundamental fairness, and promptness.