What is the Panel?

- As part of the Student Conduct process, students are given the option of having a panel hear their case and/or determine sanctions for alleged violations of University policy. The panel is comprised of faculty, staff, and students.

What does the Panel do?

- The panel convenes to hear a case and make a decision on if a student is responsible or not responsible for violating University policies. The panel will hear statements from the student, the complaining party, and witnesses provided by either side. The panel will have the opportunity to question all parties. After hearing both sides the panel then decides the outcomes for the case and sanction recommendations. Sanctions may range from University warning, educational programming, to dismissal from the University of California.

Qualifications to be a board member include:

- Be able to attend and actively participate in training sessions.
- Maintain confidentiality in regard to ALL information discussed in conduct hearings.
- Be a clear communicator and open to new ideas and perspectives.
- All student conduct board positions are held on a volunteer basis, but are encouraged for the full academic year.
- Become knowledgeable about all aspects of the Student Code of Conduct

To be considered for membership, student applicants must:

- Possess and maintain at least a 2.5 GPA and full-time status as a student. First-year students are admitted pending the outcome of their fall semester grades.
- Must be in good University Judicial Standing
- Submit one letter of recommendation

Faculty/Staff applicants must:

- Submit a statement of interest
What is the time commitment?
  • A one-year term. With two mandated trainings a year with follow-up trainings and opportunities as cases approach.

How many cases will I hear a year?
  • Approximately 2-3 cases.

What types of cases will I hear?
  • Cases will include any type of social misconduct that happens on or off campus- including but not limited to disorderly or lewd behavior, alcohol or drug use, sales, or possession, hazing, & assaults/threatening behavior. A select group of hearing members will hear cases of sexual harassment/assault, domestic/dating violence, and stalking.

When will training take place?
  • Training will take place prior to the school year in early August. Board members are required to attend the following trainings:
    ➢ 1 (6 hour) session with the Title IX Investigator and Violence Prevention Programs;
    ➢ 1 (4 hour) session with Student Judicial Affairs to learn about the process;
    ➢ 2-hour briefs prior to each case;
    ➢ Quarterly opportunities for updated training.

What are the benefits of being on a Hearing Board?
  • Those who have participated in the Hearing Board have stated that it is a rewarding experience. The Hearing Board although challenging, can be a very satisfying experience. It challenges ones decision-making and critical thinking. We believe that whether you are faculty of staff it will enhance your academic and/or work experience.