

Student Conduct Incident Response Form

Case: _____

Step 1: PRELIMINARY BRIEFING OVERVIEW

- I am aware that I have been charged with a violation of the Kutztown University Student Code of Conduct.
- I am aware of the specific conduct standard(s) that I allegedly violated.
- I am aware of my right to a hearing.
- I am aware of my right to an advisor.
- I am aware of my right to appeal within (5) five days of being notified of the outcome of my case.
- I was provided the opportunity to review a copy of incident report regarding this matter.
- I am aware of the range of sanctions that may be applied for this case (see reverse page for definitions):

Student Signature & Date

Step 2: STUDENT RESPONSE

I am **responsible** for the Student Code of Conduct charge(s) against me and hereby waive my right to participate in a student conduct hearing. I further acknowledge that this decision has been made knowingly, intelligently, and freely. No University official has promised me favorable treatment in exchange for my response and I understand the consequences of taking responsibility for this violation(s).

I am **not responsible** for the Student Code of Conduct charges against me and understand my case will be heard by an appropriate hearing authority.

Student Signature & Date

Case Officer Signature & Date

Step 3: SANCTION – Complete if choosing “responsible” under 2a

I **hereby accept** the sanction(s) imposed and understand I may not appeal the following sanction(s):

I **do not accept** the sanction(s) imposed and understand I may appeal this sanction(s) within five (5) days of receiving a written notice of outcome.

Student Signature & Date

Student Local Address & Cell Phone

Step 4: RESOLUTION PROCESS

Respondents who indicate they are **not responsible** for an allegation of misconduct will have the option of having a **formal hearing** or participating in an **informal resolution process**. Please note, informal resolution is not available for contested cases that may result in suspension or dismissal. If a resolution process is not selected at the respondent’s preliminary briefing, a separate hearing resolution meeting will be scheduled. If a respondent does not attend this meeting, the appropriate hearing will be scheduled, and the student will be notified of the date and time of the hearing.

Student Code of Conduct

Article 9: Sanctions

- a. **Disciplinary Reprimand:** A formal letter issued when a student's conduct is deemed to be unsatisfactory to the degree that the University makes a record of the incident and warns the student against repetition of similar behavior.
- b. **Educational Activities:** The required participation in a specified activity, service project, community service, educational program, event, assignment or other educational and/or restorative assignment.
- c. **Access Restriction:** Restricted attendance, access or participation with specific co-curricular events, programs, or student organizations/groups; change of residence hall assignment; no contact restrictions with specific individuals for a defined period of time; and/or restricted access or visitation privileges to specific campus facilities.
- d. **Restitution:** Payment for replacement or repair for damages to university property. Restitution may be applied only once if civil or criminal action is also being applied. In these cases, legal judgments shall take precedence. Restitution imposed by a campus hearing authority will be held in abeyance until civil and criminal charges can be finalized.
- e. **Disciplinary Probation:** Official notification of a specified period of review and monitoring not to exceed one year. Further violations of the *Student Code of Conduct* may result in more severe disciplinary action, including an examination of continued status as a student. Students on Disciplinary Probation are not in good disciplinary standing.
- f. **Housing Suspension:** A student may be excluded from campus housing for a specified period of time if held responsible through the student conduct process for a major violation of the Student Code of Conduct, for repeated infractions or a serious breach of residence hall regulations.
- g. **Deferred Housing Suspension:** The student is informed that although the violation of university regulations may warrant removal and suspension of residence hall privileges, a suspension is being deferred and the student is required to adhere to specific requirements and conditions imposed by the designated hearing authority. Failure to abide by the imposed conditions may result in the rescission of the deferment and loss of university housing privileges. The student is also advised that any subsequent violations may result in an immediate residence hall suspension.
- h. **Deferred Suspension:** Deferred Suspension is imposed only in serious cases or in response to progressive discipline stipulating that a student, in lieu of University suspension, is being allowed to remain at the University provided that the student adheres to certain conditions. A student on Deferred Suspension is denied the privilege to represent the University in any organized capacity including intercollegiate varsity, non-varsity, or club events or to hold office in any Student Organization. Any subsequent violations will likely result in the immediate suspension or dismissal of the student from the university. Students on Deferred Suspension are not in good disciplinary standing.
- i. **Suspension:** A hearing authority may recommend to the Dean of Students the exclusion of student from the University for a specific period of time **not to exceed four (4) years**. During the period of suspension, the student: is ineligible to enroll or participate in any academic courses or university programs and activities; must adhere to all other terms and conditions of their official sanctions; must not be involved in further student conduct violations during their period of suspension and is required to meet with the Dean of Students or designee and complete the **Post Suspension Reentry Form** PRIOR to reenrolling at Kutztown University. In addition, the University may restrict or place limitations on a suspended student's access to campus facilities during this period of time as specified as part of their official sanction. Unless a student officially withdraws from the university, the student's relationship with the university is maintained therefore any alleged disciplinary infraction that occurs while a student is serving a suspension will be adjudicated in accordance with university policy. Violating conditions of suspension subjects the student to additional sanctions including, but not limited to, an extension of suspension and/or dismissal from the university.
- j. **Dismissal:** A hearing authority may recommend to the Dean of Students the **permanent separation** of the student from the University. Under this status, the relationship between the student and the University is terminated and the individual is no longer considered a student. A dismissed student may also be restricted or limited from campus facilities during this period time as specified as part of their official sanction. A dismissed student may petition the University, through the Dean of Students, to request consideration for eligibility to return to the university, after a minimum of four (4) years of separation. The individual must show just cause to be considered and must apply and qualify for re-admission to the University. This written petition must be submitted at least four (4) weeks prior to the term in which the former student seeks to enroll.