



Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 Statistics Report

This report presents University Judiciary Committee (UJC) case statistics for the Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 semesters. As recorded by the UJC case processing system, Fall 2014 covers complaints filed between June 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014. Spring 2015 covers complaints filed between January 1, 2015 and May 31, 2015. These statistics were publicly released on October 18, 2015 by a unanimous vote of the Voting Members of the Judiciary Committee, pursuant to Article III, §2.4.c. of the UJC Bylaws. Commentary on these statistics reflects only the views of the 2014-2015 Voting Members, and is subject to alternative interpretation by subsequent Committees.

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Summary

Demographic Information

Demographic information reported is collected for Accused, Complainant, and UJC committee members and support officers using the UJC Online System. The fields available for recording identification of ethnicities are no longer in line with the University of Virginia's 2010-2011 updated collection procedures for demographic information for all students. In particular, the UJC system does not currently allow respondents to identify with multiple ethnicities, and does not have a Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander category. Other terms used to identify ethnic groups also differ in wording from UVA's reporting.

For these reasons, it is not currently possible to directly compare UJC demographic statistics to those of the University as a whole. Future updates to the UJC's Online System will bring the UJC demographic information collection in line with UVA policies.

Sanction Statistics

In cases where the accused is found or pleads guilty, the trial panel may assign no sanction, one sanction, or multiple sanctions.

Sanctions are determined on a case-by-case basis, and trial panels take aggravating or mitigating factors into account. For this reason, it is not possible to compare the sanctions resulting from separate cases involving the same Standards violations – each student's situation is different, and trial panels work to craft sanctions that will best address his or her individual circumstances.

Community service sanctions are typically assigned to one or more of four organizations: Facilities Management (Landscaping Division), Gordie Center, Parking and Transportation, or Recycling. In some cases, discretion is given to the sanctioned student to pick suitable service organizations. In these cases,



the choice of service organization is reviewed by the Vice-Chair for Sanctions to ensure that it fulfills the goals of the Trial Panel issuing the community service sanction.

More Information

For detailed explanations of UJC procedures, as well as the procedures of the Judicial Review Board – which conducts appellate review of UJC decisions – can be found at the UJC website: virginia.edu/ujc.

Statistics reports for Spring 2008-Fall 2012 can be found at <http://www.student.virginia.edu/~judic/stats.php>

Contact

Questions about these statistics should be directed to the UJC Chair. Contact information for the current Chair can be found at virginia.edu/ujc.

Note on Data from Internal System

The data in this report was generated by the UJC's internal case management system. This system does not draw a distinction between cases with multiple accused students and does not account for trials that were flagged for issues (i.e. student withdrawal), postponed indefinitely, or dropped. Moreover, the system counts individual accused students separately, despite the fact that they may share the same case. Additionally, accused students are counted only once, even if they have multiple cases within the UJC. Certain apparent discrepancies in the following data may be explained by the aforementioned limitations of the internal system.



The Standards of Conduct

1. Physical assault of any person on University-owned or leased property, at any University sanctioned function, at the permanent or temporary local residence of a University student, faculty member, employee, visitor, or in the City of Charlottesville or Albemarle County, or Sexual Misconduct¹, as defined in the University of Virginia Policy and Procedures for Student Sexual Misconduct Complaints.
2. Conduct which intentionally or recklessly threatens the health or safety of any person on University-owned or leased property, at a University sanctioned function, at the permanent or temporary local residence of a University student, faculty member, employee or visitor, or in the city of Charlottesville or Albemarle County.
3. Unauthorized entry into or occupation of University facilities which are locked, closed to student activities or otherwise restricted as to use.
4. Intentional disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary procedures, other University activities, or activities authorized to take place on University property.
5. Unlawfully blocking or impeding normal pedestrian or vehicular traffic on or adjacent to University property.
6. Violation of University policies or regulations referenced in The Record, including policies concerning residence and the use of University facilities.
7. Alteration, fabrication, or misuse of, or obtaining unauthorized access to University identification cards, other documents, or computer files or systems.
8. Disorderly conduct on University-owned or leased property or at a University-sanctioned function. Disorderly conduct is defined to include but is not limited to acts that breach the peace, are lewd, indecent, or obscene, and that are not Constitutionally protected speech.
9. Substantial damage to University-owned or leased property or to any property in the city of Charlottesville or Albemarle County or to property of a University student, employee, faculty member, or visitor, occurring on University-owned or leased property or at the permanent or temporary local residence of any student, faculty member, employee or visitor.
10. Any violation of Federal, State, or local law, if such directly affects the University's pursuit of its proper educational purposes and only to the extent such violations are not covered by other Standards of Conduct and only where a specific provision of a statute or ordinance is charged in the complaint.
11. Intentional, reckless, or negligent conduct which obstructs the operations of the Honor or Judiciary Committee, or conduct that violates their rules of confidentiality.
12. Failure to comply with directions of University officials acting under provisions 1-11 set above. This shall include failure to give identity in situations concerning alleged violations of sections 1-11.

¹ Article II, §D: Jurisdiction Restrictions, of the UJC Constitution places jurisdiction for allegations of sexual misconduct under the authority of the University of Virginia Policy and Procedures for Student Sexual Misconduct Complaints. The UJC may not investigate or adjudicate allegations of sexual misconduct.



Case Statistics

Case Item	F14	S15
Number of Cases	27	37
Total Number of Accused Students	32	39
Total Number of Male Accused	14	19
Total Number of Female Accused	4	2
Total Number of Other Accused	14	18
Total Number of Groups Accused	1	0
Total Number of Students Found/Pled Guilty To At Least One Standard	24	30
Total Number of Students Found Not Guilty Of All Charges	0	2
Total Number of Hearing Panels Granted	6	6
Total Number of Mediations Granted	0	0
Total Number of Psych Evaluations Granted	0	1



Case Processing Statistics

Case Item	F14	S15
Number of cases	27 ²	37
Total Number of Cases Finalized	21	30
Mean Case Processing Time (in days)³	68	73
Median Case Processing Time (in days)	43	66

Distribution	F14	S15
Cases Adjudicated in 14 days or less	0	1
Cases Adjudicated in 15 to 28 days	3	4
Cases Adjudicated in 29 to 42 days	7	6
Cases Adjudicated in 43 to 56 days	2	3
Cases Adjudicated in more than 57 days	9	16

² Reflects cases which have been adjudicated and finalized. Cases which are still pending or undergoing appeal are not included in these case processing data.

³ Case processing times include the period of time between semesters when classes are not in session.



Demographic Information, Fall 2014

Demographic Item	Accused	Complainant	UJC
Number of Cases	27	27	-
Number of Persons	32	13	92
Gender Male	44%	38%	34%
Gender Female	13%	23%	45%
Gender Unreported	44%	38%	22%
<i>Identification⁴</i>			
Caucasian American	47%	38%	52%
African American	3%	23%	8%
Asian American	0%	0%	5%
Hispanic American	0%	0%	1%
Native American	0%	0%	0%
Non-Resident Alien	0%	0%	4%
Other	6%	0%	2%
<i>Affiliation</i>			
Student Athlete	3%	0%	0%
International Student	6%	8%	4%
Greek Organization	28%	15%	15%

⁴ Not all individuals counted under “Number of Persons” completed demographic information. Percentage statistics are calculated on the number of individuals who provided demographic information.



Demographic Information, Spring 2015

Demographic Item	Accused	Complainant	UJC
Number of Cases	37	37	-
Number of Persons	39	17	120
Gender Male	49%	24%	29%
Gender Female	5%	35%	37%
Gender Unreported	46%	41%	34%
<i>Identification⁵</i>			
Caucasian American	31%	35%	44%
African American	3%	24%	6%
Asian American	3%	0%	4%
Hispanic American	3%	0%	2%
Native American	0%	0%	0%
Non-Resident Alien	5%	0%	1%
Other	10%	0%	4%
<i>Affiliation</i>			
Student Athlete	3%	0%	0%
International Student	5%	0%	1%
Greek Organization	18%	6%	17%

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Sanction Statistics

Case Item	F14	S15
Educational classes	8	7
Community service hours	321	335
Counseling	0	2
Essays/apology letters	21	18
Suspensions	2	1
Suspensions in abeyance⁶	3	10
Fines	\$0	\$0
Admonitions	25	31
Restitution	\$0	\$0
Probation	0	0
Expulsions	0	0
Expulsions in abeyance	0	0

⁶ A sanction assigned “in abeyance” is noted in a student’s UJC record, which is referenced if that student is subsequently found guilty of another violation of the Standards of Conduct. Sanctions in abeyance represent a trial panel’s strong recommendation that the next trial panel impose the abeyance sanction for a subsequent violation. Sanctions in abeyance are typically assigned conditionally on the nature of subsequent violations; for instance, a suspension in abeyance for subsequent violations of Standard 1 would not apply to a student found guilty of a Standard 6 violation in future UJC proceedings.



Standards Statistics

Standard	F14			S15		
	Alleged	Pled Guilty	Found Guilty	Alleged	Pled Guilty	Found Guilty
Standard 1	4	1	1	3	2	2
Standard 2	4	2	2	10	8	8
Standard 3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Standard 4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Standard 5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Standard 6	17	14	14	22	18	18
Standard 7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Standard 8	0	0	0	3	3	3
Standard 9	1	1	1	2	1	1
Standard 10	20	15	15	22	20	20
Standard 11	0	0	0	2	2	2
Standard 12	0	0	0	6	3	3
Number of Cases	27			37		