

For Information

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Annual Report on Student Discipline Matters

As amended  
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University Board on Student Discipline \*\*  
Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals \*\*  
Statistical Summary – Registrar \*

Statistical Summary – Director, Campus Community Services \*

- \* Section 11.1 of Policy T10.01 states: "The Registrar and the Director of Campus Community Services shall maintain a statistical summary of cases which are handled through their offices each year, and these data shall be included in the Annual Report on Student Discipline Matters."
- \*\* Section 11.2 of Policy T10.01 states: "In addition to the data in 11.1, the Annual Report on Student Discipline Matters will contain a summary of the UBSD Tribunal's decisions, the President's decisions, SCODA's decisions and the penalties imposed. This report will be accessible to the University community and will be submitted to Senate for information. ...."

University Board on Student Discipline  
Reporting Period: September 2001 to November 2002

The University Board on Student Discipline dealt with fifty-one cases involving allegations of academic dishonesty in the period covered by the report.

In addition, three cases are currently outstanding; one matter was received by the Board but referred to the Registrar for action; and three cases which were originally referred to the Board were withdrawn by the referring Department.

A summary of the cases dealt with by the UBSD is attached for the information of Senate.

UBSD Membership

| Faculty                                            | Students                          | Staff                              |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Joan Brockman<br>Co-Ordinator<br>(to October 2003) | Terri Lacourse<br>(to July 2003)  | Caryn Cameron<br>(to October 2002) |
| Eng Choo<br>(to October 2002)                      | Reza Pourvali<br>(to August 2003) | Barbara Leighs<br>(to July 2004)   |
| Tina Loo<br>(to October 2003)                      | Leeanna Simons<br>(to July 2003)  | Yvonne Tabin<br>(to October 2003)  |
| Howard Trottier<br>(to October 2004)               | Harry Yang<br>(to November 2002)  |                                    |



Professor Joan Brockman  
Co-Ordinator  
University Board on Student Discipline

UBSD Summary - Sept 2001 to November 2002

| File # | Nature of Offence                                                                                                      | Outcome                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 01-6 * | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism.                                                                                       | Case pending *                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 01-7 * | Non-academic dishonesty. Misuse of University documents                                                                | Case pending *                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 01-8   | Academic dishonesty. Falsified admission documents.                                                                    | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of the Tribunal and suspended student for six semesters. At the end of suspension student required to apply for re-admission and will have to satisfy the admission requirements in effect at that time.                                                                  |
| 01-9   | Academic dishonesty. Alteration of answers on assignments and marks on final exam for submission to re-grade material. | Tribunal found student committed academic dishonesty and recommended four semester suspension. The President did not accept the UBSD's findings and reached a confidential agreement with the student. All records are sealed in the SFU Archives and may be unsealed if there is a finding of academic dishonesty against student in the future. |
| 01-10  | Academic dishonesty. Falsification of documents re course withdrawal appeal (forged doctor's certificate)              | Student admitted academic dishonesty. Tribunal recommended one semester suspension. One semester suspension imposed by President.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 01-11  | Academic dishonesty. Submission of work prepared by professional service as own work – 2 <sup>nd</sup> offence         | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted Tribunal recommendation and suspended student for five semesters.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 02-1 * | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism – Undergraduate Degree and Graduate Degree                                             | Case pending *                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 02-2   | Academic dishonesty. Alteration of mid-term examination for re-grading.                                                | Student appealed departmental finding of academic dishonesty. Department assigned 0% mark for mid-term as penalty. Departmental decision upheld by UBSD.                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 02-3   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism in 3 essays in same course                                                             | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for three semesters. Student appealed to SCODA. Appeal denied by SCODA.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 02-4   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism                                                                                        | Department withdrew UBSD referral.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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| File # | Nature of Offence                                                       | Outcome                                                                                                                                            |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 02-5   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism                                         | Department withdrew UBSD referral                                                                                                                  |
| 02-6   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism                                         | Department withdrew UBSD referral                                                                                                                  |
| 02-7   | Academic dishonesty. Letter received from student reporting plagiarism. | Referred to Registrar for investigation/action<br>Resolved informally.                                                                             |
| 02-8   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.       | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-9   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.       | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-10  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.  | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-11  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.  | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-12  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-13  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student   | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-14  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Copied another student's project.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-15  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.       | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |

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| File #  | Nature of Offence                                                      | Outcome                                                                                                                                            |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 02-16   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-17   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-18   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-19   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-20   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-21 * | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism.                                       | Case outstanding. *                                                                                                                                |
| 02-22   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-23   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-24   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.  |
| 02-25   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-26   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |
| 02-27   | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.      | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. |

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| File #      | Nature of Offence                                                 | Outcome                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 02-28       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. Student appealed to SCODA. Appeal outstanding. |
| 02-29       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |
| 02-30       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |
| 02-31-02-39 | Error made in numbering. No cases assigned to 02-31 through 02-39 |                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 02-40       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |
| 02-41       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. Student appealed to SCODA. Appeal outstanding. |
| 02-42       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |
| 02-43       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |
| 02-44       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |
| 02-45       | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                |

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| File # | Nature of Offence                                                                                                                               | Outcome                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| 02-46  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                                          | Student admitted academic dishonesty. One previous offence of academic dishonesty on file. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for four semesters. F in course to stand.                          |
| 02-47  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor and misled instructor as to tutor's involvement.                               | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                                                |
| 02-48  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student and student misled instructor as to tutor's involvement.                  | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                                                |
| 02-49  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Plagiarized portions of term project by using work from projects completed by students in previous semesters.  | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.                                                                                 |
| 02-50  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student and student misled instructor as to tutor's involvement.                  | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                                                |
| 02-51  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor and misled instructor as to tutor's involvement.                               | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                                                |
| 02-52  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student. Student also posted assignment on web to allow access to other students. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                                                |
| 02-53  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                                          | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.                                                                                 |
| 02-54  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                                          | Student admitted academic dishonesty. One previous offence of academic dishonesty on file. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for four semesters. Student appealed to SCODA. Appeal outstanding. |

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| File # | Nature of Offence                                                                                                              | Outcome                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| 02-55  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism.                                                                                               | Student denied allegations. Tribunal overturned decision of Department and exonerated student. Tribunal directs Department to evaluate project and assign grade and that the penalty assigned (a formal reprimand and F in course) be lifted. |
| 02-56  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                         | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.                                                                                             |
| 02-57  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                         | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand. Student appealed to SCODA. Appeal outstanding.                                              |
| 02-58  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.                                                              | Student admitted academic dishonesty. Tribunal recommended two semester suspension. President suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.                                                                                       |
| 02-59  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student and student misled instructor as to tutor's involvement. | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand.                                                                                            |
| 02-60  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                         | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.                                                                                             |
| 02-61  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor.                                                              | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for two semesters. F in course to stand. Student appealed to SCODA. Appeal outstanding.                                             |
| 02-62  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student.                                                         | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted recommendation of Tribunal and suspended student for one semester. F in course to stand.                                                                                             |



| File #  | Nature of Offence                                                                         | Outcome                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 01-6 *  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism.                                                          | See Senate document S.5-1, <a href="https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/Get/Document-358060/S05-1.pdf">https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/Get/Document-358060/S05-1.pdf</a> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 01-7 *  | Non-academic dishonesty. Misuse of University documents.                                  | Referral to UBSD withdrawn by applicant.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 02-1 *  | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism – 3 Undergraduate courses and a major paper for MA Degree | Student admitted academic dishonesty. President accepted the recommendation of the Tribunal and permanently suspended the student from the University. The student will receive Fs for each of the papers submitted in the three undergraduate courses and for the major paper submitted for the MA degree. In addition, recommendation will be made to Senate to revoke the BA and the MA degrees. Degrees revoked by Senate and student requested to return degree parchments. |
| 02-21 * | Academic dishonesty. Plagiarism.                                                          | Case pending. Unable to contact student. Note placed on student's file – unable to register or obtain an official transcript until case has been resolved.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

★ Note: UBSD case outcomes posted following the December 2, 2002 Senate meeting.

Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals  
Reporting Period: September 2001 to November 2002

The Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals dealt with <sup>four</sup>~~one~~ appeals in the period covered by the report. The case was appealed on the basis of University Policy T10.03, Section 8.1c "that the penalty imposed was excessive".

During the reporting period SCODA held an orientation meeting for the full membership and elected a new Chair. In addition, the Registrar appointed a new designate as Secretary to the Committee.

A summary of the cases dealt with by SCODA is attached for the information of Senate.

**SCODA Membership June 1, 2001 to May 31, 2002**

| Faculty              | Students        |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Joseph Peters *      | Chris Steinbach |
| David Paterson **    | Peter Dempster  |
| Karen Kavanagh       | Jaideep Gupte   |
| Peter Kennedy        | Gina Fernandez  |
| Colleen Collins-Dodd | Wojtek Gerwel   |

Secretary: KC Bell

\* Chair to May 31, 2002

\*\* Vice-Chair to May 31, 2002

**SCODA Membership as of June 1, 2002**

| Faculty              | Students        |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Karen Kavanagh *     | Brynn Bourke    |
| Joseph Peters        | Danny Chen      |
| Colleen Collins-Dodd | Michelle Kemper |
| Sam Black            | Gina Fernandez  |
| Cathy D'Andrea       |                 |

Secretary: Richard MacLeod

\* Chair to May 31, 2003



Dr. Karen Kavanagh  
Chair, Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals

## Summary – SCODA Appeals

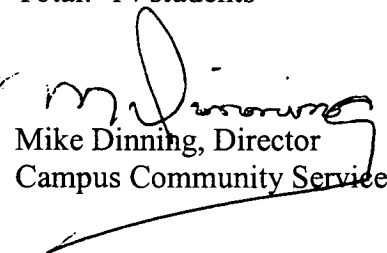
| Case Number | Nature of Offence                                                                                                                                                         | Outcome                                                                                    |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 02-1        | Academic dishonesty.<br>Plagiarism in three essays in the same course (UBSD 02-3).<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty.                 | SCODA denied the appeal and upheld the three semester suspension imposed by the President. |
| 02-2        | Academic dishonesty.<br>Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student. (UBSD 02-57)<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty.             | SCODA denied the appeal and upheld the one semester suspension imposed by the President.   |
| 02-3        | Academic dishonesty.<br>Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. (UBSD 02-28).<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty.                 | SCODA upheld the appeal and varied the two semester suspension to one semester suspension. |
| 02-4        | Academic Dishonesty.<br>Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. (UBSD 02-41)<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty.                  | SCODA upheld the appeal and varied the two semester suspension to one semester suspension. |
| 02-5        | Academic Dishonesty. Aided the commission of plagiarism by a fellow student.<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty imposed by Department. | Case outstanding                                                                           |
| 02-6        | Academic Dishonesty.<br>Plagiarism. Student bought paper from tutor. (UBSD 02-61).<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty.                 | Case outstanding                                                                           |
| 02-7        | Academic Dishonesty.<br>Plagiarism. Tutor co-authored paper with student (UBSD 02-54)<br>Grounds of Appeal: Section 8.1c, Policy T10.03 – excessive penalty.              | Case outstanding                                                                           |

## Non Academic Student Discipline

January 2002 – October 31, 2002

| Type of Incident:                 | No. of Cases: | Resolve:          |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Shoplifting/Theft @ SFU Bookstore | 4             | Informal resolve. |
| Harassment/Misconduct             | 2             | Informal resolve  |
| Disruptive Behaviour              | 6             | Informal resolve  |
| Computer Misconduct               | 1             | No action         |
| Property Damage                   | 1             | Informal resolve  |

Total: 14 students

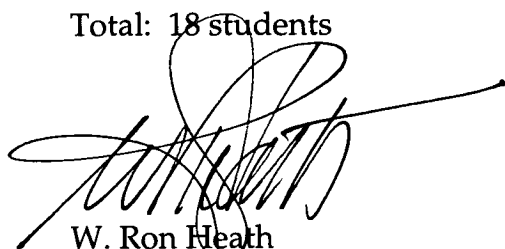
  
Mike Dinning, Director  
Campus Community Services

## Academic Student Discipline

March 2001 – August 2002

| Type of Offense                                                        | # of cases | Departmental Penalty                          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| plagiarism                                                             | 9          | F for the course                              |
| cheating                                                               | 7          | F for the course/assignment                   |
| altering exam once corrected                                           | 1          | 0 for first midterm and 25 for second midterm |
| failing to report prior academic performance at different universities | 1          | formal reprimand from the Registrar's Office  |
| submitting same work in two courses without prior approval             | 1          | letter of reprimand                           |

Total: 18 students



W. Ron Heath  
Dean of Student Services and Registrar's Office

November 14, 2002