University Committee on Academic Responsibility

2015-2016 Report

July 28th, 2016

The Committee on Academic Responsibility received two cases this past year during July 2015 and September 2015. In these two cases, the committee reviewed appeals by students who were found at College Hearings responsible for violating provisions of the Honor Code of the University of South Carolina. One of the cases was related to inappropriate use of materials. The UCAR affirmed the ruling related to findings and sanctions of the College committee with a lengthy discussion.

The second case related to students found to be violating the plagiarism and lying code in the honor code. After another meeting and much discussion, the UCAR recommended that the student's information (code book) be reviewed again by the college committee in order to allow that evidence into a review of the hearing. The Office of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity took the findings by the UCAR and we were not informed of any further results or findings on this case.

In October, the Committee on Academic Responsibility met with the Office of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity to review the importance of confidentiality and signed confidentiality agreements due to the importance of protecting students' rights for privacy.

The new Chair-Elect of the UCAR committee for 2016-2017 is Dr. Dick Kawooya.

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