

NON-ACADEMIC SANCTIONING GUIDELINES INTRODUCTION
Center for Student Accountability, Growth, and Education
UC San Diego

I. OVERVIEW

Sanctions are designed to be appropriate to the subject matter of the case. The goal is not to punish students but rather help them understand how their actions and decision making affected themselves and their community while providing learning experiences for their growth and development.

The Center for Student Accountability Growth, and Education (SAGE) maintains sanction guidelines for most all Standards of Conduct violations. These guidelines are neither “absolutes” nor exhaustive of every single potential violation. Instead, they are rather important starting points for determining sanctions. They provide a uniform set of typical and other potential sanctions for all Student Conduct Officers and ensure greater consistency among colleges, graduate and professional schools, and residential areas.

While the guidelines inform sanctioning, they are not the stopping point. Sanctions for each case are dependent on the specific circumstances of the incident, the student’s conduct record, and any applicable sanction guidelines. While previous cases are not determinative, they provide yardsticks for similar cases in the future.

Any questions about the guidelines should be directed to SAGE.

II. STUDENT CONDUCT HISTORY AND SEVERITY OF CASES

A Respondent’s student conduct record is cumulative. Therefore, sanctions assigned in subsequent incidents may be increased to take into consideration the Respondent’s overall record of violations, regardless of whether the violations are similar. Violations of the Standards of Conduct during an active sanction period may be cause for further action.

Specific factors that may be considered in increasing or lessening a sanction include:

- The severity of the violation;
- The Respondent’s student conduct record;
- The nature of the violation;
- The severity of any damage; and
- Any injury or harm resulting from the matter to necessitate student conduct action.

For example, an incident may be a first-time violation but due to the severity and nature of the alleged violation, increased sanctions may be considered based on the impact of the Respondent’s behavior.

III. OTHER SANCTIONS AND ACTIONS

Violations of the UC San Diego *Residential Life Community Standards* may impact the student’s ability to live in on-campus housing. Any housing contract consequences will be administered by Residential Life offices and Housing, Dining, and Hospitality separate and apart from the student conduct process.

Students removed from an event (e.g., Sun God Festival) or documented for an egregious violation inside the event venue may be excluded from future events. Behavior necessitating future exclusion includes actions that put oneself, others, or the event itself at risk, such as physical assault, threats to others or property, use and/or distribution of controlled substances.

Student Conduct Officers also have the discretion to exclude graduating seniors, graduate students, and professional school students from participating in commencement exercises for egregious violations.

Principal Members of Registered Student Organizations whose organization is de-registered will normally be prohibited from being Principal Members of another Registered Student Organization during the period of de-registration.