

V. UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES—NON-ACADEMIC

Statement on Student Behavior

Admission to the Washington and Lee community carries with it certain expectations concerning personal conduct. These expectations are specifically covered by the Honor System. Other less specific expectations concern the way we treat each other. Lee described the expectation at Washington College as "gentlemanly behavior." Today, we interpret this to mean civil, decent behavior designed to encourage mutual respect for our individual differences, desires, and ways of thinking.

Washington and Lee University expects an atmosphere of civility and mutual respect to prevail. Instances of uncivil behavior involving students are most effectively dealt with in personal and informal ways, not by formal conduct procedures. Therefore, members of the Washington and Lee community who believe themselves to have been objects of such behavior should first seek resolution by personal consultation with friends, faculty, designated advisers, or others who may intervene in the dispute. If such direct efforts do not resolve the matter, instances of uncivil behavior involving students may be reported to the Associate Dean for Residential Life and Conduct. The Associate Dean for Residential Life and Conduct will take appropriate action by resolving the matter or referring the matter to other resources for informal resolution, or, in appropriate cases, to the designated conduct body. If informal resolution efforts are not successful or appropriate to the circumstances, one of five conduct bodies may conduct formal procedures on allegations of uncivil behavior, as follows:

- The Executive Committee of the Student Body (EC) manages the Honor System and hears cases of breaches of trust such as lying, cheating, and stealing.
- The Student Judicial Council (SJC) hears allegations of alcohol and other types of student misconduct.
- The Student-Faculty Hearing Board (SFHB) hears allegations of prohibited discrimination, harassment, retaliation, sexual misconduct, and hazing by individual students and non-Greek student organizations.
- The Interfraternity Council (IFC) hears allegations of hazing, retaliation associated with hazing, and other violations of University policy by fraternities.
- Panhellenic Council (PHC) hears allegations of hazing, retaliation associated with hazing, and other violations of University policy by sororities.

Reinstatement

Students who withdraw voluntarily or who are withdrawn administratively from or suspended by the University may apply for reinstatement. The University reserves the right to require sufficient documentation that the student is qualified and ready to return to academic work. Under unusual