

# Student Conduct Sanctions

As articulated in the Student Conduct Code, a student or student organization found responsible for a violation of the Code may be issued sanctions from the University. Student conduct sanctions communicate the serious nature of behaviors deemed to be unacceptable given the values of the Winthrop community. In addition to holding students and organizations accountable for their behavior, sanctions are designed to educate students and promote growth, by connecting them to the appropriate resources. Last, the University believes that sanctions help restore the safety and values of our community by preventing the reoccurrence of inappropriate behavior (s).

Sanctions may be applied singly or in combination and can be influenced by the seriousness of the violation, including individual or community harm caused by the behavior, a student or organization's previous conduct involvement and history. Issuing sanctions, is at the discretion of the University official or hearing body that is handling the case.

The following chart provides a general summary of common sanctions:

<b>Expulsion</b>	Expulsion includes permanent separation from the University. Students who have been expelled may not enter University premises or University-related premises without securing prior approval from the Vice President for Student Affairs or Dean of Students. Expulsions are always added to a student's permanent record (transcript).
<b>Suspension</b>	Suspension includes temporary separation from the University. Students who are suspended may not enter University premises or University related premises without securing prior approval from the Vice President for Student Affairs or Dean of Students. Suspended students can petition for readmission to the University after certain conditions have been met. Suspensions are always added to a student's permanent record (transcript)-but removed upon graduation.

<b>Residence Hall Separation</b>	Residence Hall separation is the temporary or permanent removal of a student from the Winthrop residential community. Students who are separated from the residential community are not allowed to enter any campus residence hall or any dining facility without prior approval from the Vice President of Student Affairs or the Dean of Students.
<b>Deferred Suspension/Expulsion</b>	Deferred Suspension/Expulsion is a status sanction. Being on Deferred Suspension/Expulsion means that there is a specific behavior or behaviors that a student must correct or immediate suspension or expulsion from the University may result. Students on Deferred Suspension/Expulsion risk being suspended or expelled immediately if they engage in any prohibited conduct.
<b>Deferred Removal from Housing</b>	Deferred Removal from Housing is a status sanction. Being on Deferred Removal from Housing means that there is a specific behavior or behaviors that a student must correct or immediate separation from University Housing may result. Students on Deferred Removal from Housing risk being permanently separated from University Housing if they engage in any prohibited conduct.

<b>Conduct Probation</b>	Student Conduct Probation is a status is a period of review and observation during which students have been officially notified that their conduct, although not serious enough to warrant suspension, was very inappropriate. Subsequent violations of university rules, regulations or policies could result in a more severe sanction
<b>Conduct Warning</b>	Student Conduct Warning involves written notice to a student indicating that a specific behavior or activity was in violation of the Code, and that repetition of similar or other unsatisfactory behavior would likely result in a more severe action
<b>Restitution</b>	Restitution includes reimbursement for actual damage to, destruction of, or embezzlement of University property or property of any person which results from conduct in violation of the Student Conduct Code. Restitution for damage to University property may be billed directly to a student's account or payment may be arranged through the Dean of Students Office.

<p><b>Termination of Privileges</b> (Student Organizations)</p>	<p>Termination of any or all privileges of a registered student organization, including but not limited to, the ability to bring in new members, reserve University space, participate in University events (Involvement Fair, Welcome Picnic, etc.). Issuance of this sanction does not preclude student conduct action against individual members of the organization</p>
<p><b>Termination of Registration</b> (Student Organizations)</p>	<p>Discontinuation/termination of the registration of a registered student organization. Student organizations that lose their registration are not recognized by the University and can no longer function on campus. Issuance of this sanction does not preclude student conduct action against individual members of the organization.</p>
<p><b>Creative Sanctions</b></p>	<p>Creative sanctions are designed to be educational, by teaching students' skills to help them make better choices, correct their behavior, and engage them in self-reflection. If deemed appropriate by the hearing officer, creative sanctions can include reflective papers/essays, online courses, power point presentations, work sanction hours, development of flyers/marketing materials, work projects, etc.</p>

**Parental Notification**

If a student is found in violation of the University's Drug or Alcoholic Beverage Policy, the hearing authority may notify the students' parents or legal guardians if the student is under 21 years of age.