

**Middle Tennessee State University
Office of Judicial Affairs and Mediation Services
June 20, 2013 – June 5, 2014**

Total Number of Disciplinary Cases: 668

A **disciplinary case** is defined as a student or organization that has been charged with a disciplinary offense. The case number does not reflect the total number of disciplinary referrals made to the office. One student may have multiple cases and one case may have multiple violations.

The following data presents a synopsis of the breakdown by gender and classification of the students who had discipline cases with the Office of Judicial Affairs & Mediation Services during the specified time period.

<u>Gender</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Male	390	58.4	Freshman	276	41.4
Female	259	38.8	Sophomore	140	22.5
Organization	19	2.8	Junior	105	16.0
			Senior	110	17.2
			Graduate	18	2.9
			Unknown	0	

The following chart presents the number of violation types the office adjudicated. The violation type total number reflects the total number of times this violation was assigned to a student. The total number does not reflect how many times the student was found in violation of that specific rule. The total number of violation types will exceed the total number of disciplinary cases handled by the office. One student may have multiple violation types within one disciplinary case. The percentage reflects the percentage of the total number of all violations.

Violation Type:	Total Number:	Percentage:
Conduct Dangerous to Others	171	12.8
Hazing	50	3.8
Disorderly Conduct	74	5.6
Obstruction/Interference with activities/ facilities	11	0.8
Misuse or Damage to Property	15	1.1
Theft, Misappropriation, Unauthorized Sale	19	1.4
Misuse of Documents/ID Cards	14	1.1

Firearms & Other Dangerous Weapons	8	0.6
Explosives, Fireworks, and Flammable Materials	1	0.1
Alcoholic Beverages	82	6.2
Drugs	88	6.6
Drug Paraphernalia	57	4.3
Public Intoxication	91	6.8
Gambling	0	0
Financial Irresponsibility	2	0.2
Unacceptable Conduct in Disciplinary Proceedings	3	0.2
Failure to Cooperative with Institutional Officials	44	3.3
Violation of General Rules and Regulations	77	5.8
Attempts, Aiding, and Abetting	158	11.9
Violation of State/Federal Laws	8	0.6
Violation of Imposed Disciplinary Sanctions	5	0.4
Sexual Battery/Rape	2	0.2
Harassment or Retaliation	5	0.4
Academic Misconduct	204	15.3
Unauthorized Duplication or Possession of Keys	1	0.1
Litter	0	0
Pornography	1	0.1
Abuse of Computer Resources	53	4
Unauthorized Access to Facilities/Grounds	1	0.1
Providing False Information	44	3.3
Unauthorized Surveillance	0	0
Smoking Violations	10	0.8
Fire Drills	0	0
Motor Vehicles	26	2
Sirens and Loudspeakers	0	0
Student ID Cards	2	0.2
Sexual Misconduct	4	0.3
Graffiti	2	0.2

Sanction Type:	Total Number:	
Restitution	7	0.8
Fines	10	1.1
Verbal Warning	64	6.9
Written Reprimand	204	22.1
Educational Sanction (comm. service, counseling, etc.)	162	17.5
Parental Notification	66	7.2
Housing Probation	31	3.4
Disciplinary Probation (includes tenure & developmental)	245	26.5
Removal of Privileges/ Restriction	103	11.1
No Contact	6	0.7
Suspension	23	2.5
Expulsion	2	0.2
Revocation of Admission and/ or Degree	0	0
Withholding Degree	0	0

***The statistics contained in this report represent disciplinary cases adjudicated by the Office of Judicial Affairs and Mediation Services for the time period indicated. Formal charges may have also been filed with the MTSU police department and/or the Department of Housing and Residential Life. It is possible that a single violation may appear in reports from all three departments. Disciplinary matters that were adjudicated solely by the Department of Housing and Residential Life are not reflected in these statistics.

Noteworthy Observations

Compared to the previous academic year:

- The overall number of cases adjudicated is higher.
- The incidence of “Academic Misconduct” continues to be above 200 cases per year. This year is the first year Academic Misconduct shifted under the Provost’s Office and there was a slight decrease, but is still the most violated policy.
- Freshman and sophomores continue to account for the majority of students seen in the office. Males continue to be referred more often than females.
- “Conduct Dangerous to Others”, “Hazing”, and “Aiding & Abetting” drastically increased. This is due, in part, to the large increase in the number of organizational cases. The Office also had numerous hazing cases that encompassed organizations and individuals.
- “Alcoholic Beverages”, “Drugs”, “Drug Paraphernalia”, and “Public Intoxication” all increased from last year.

- We continue to see multiple drug policy violations resulting in the removal of students from the residence halls, despite the fact that students are made aware that Housing & Residential Life has a zero-tolerance drug policy.

Educational Outreach

The Office of Judicial Affairs and Mediation Services conducted close to 50 educational presentations for the time period specified. The office did educational presentations for University 1010 classes, CUSTOMS staff, athletics, the Greek community, study abroad students, graduate teaching assistants, the Scholar's Academy, faculty members, and special student populations.