

## **Graduate Student Dismissal Policy TULANE UNIVERSITY**

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**WHO NEEDS TO KNOW THIS GUIDANCE:** Faculty, Staff, and Students in Graduate Programs; School Administrators

**WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR THIS GUIDANCE:** <http://tulane.edu/ogps/policies.cfm>

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This serves as an addendum to the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct. It is intended to give School Deans or their designee the same discretion in minor cases of Code violations as is part of the Undergraduate Honor Code. It impacts only Article V, Section 5 of the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct.

### **CHANGE TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE DISPOSITION**

If the Accused Student (or Accused Students) in the case informs the Dean's Designee that she or he plans to plead guilty, the Accused Student may waive the hearing and the penalty for violating the Code will be a grade of WF for major offenses or a lowering of the grade for minor offenses, as determined by the Dean. No honor board probation will be added to these penalties. The Accused Student must also sign a statement acknowledging the violation and the penalty, and in the case of a Code violation involving multiple students, the signed statement will become part of the record in the hearing for any of the other students that do not plead guilty. A student may elect this option only if he or she has no prior convictions and if the violation, in the opinion of the Dean's Designee, would not likely result in suspension from the University if the student were to appear before a Hearing Panel. Administrative disposition of the case will appear on the Accused Student's record as a violation of the Code.