

## **Honor Board Script**

### **To the Honor Board before the Accuser and Accused are Heard:**

Hello, I'm \_\_\_\_\_, Honor Board Chairperson. I'd like everyone to introduce themselves.

Your responsibilities to the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct include the following:

1. To maintain fair hearing procedures to insure the rights of the accuser and the accused.
2. To remain objective throughout the hearing. If, for any reason, you feel you cannot do this, please remove yourself from the room at this time.
3. To protect the rights of the accuser and the accused.
4. To keep all information given during this trial strictly confidential.
5. To hear the case and determine guilt or innocence of the accused student.
6. To remain in this room until the hearing is completed.

### **To The Accuser:**

Hello, I'm \_\_\_\_\_, Honor Board Chairperson. I'd like everyone to introduce themselves.

You have charged \_\_\_\_\_ with violating the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct, or the "Code." The specific charge is \_\_\_\_\_. Do you understand that the burden of proof rests on you?

False testimony given in an Honor Board hearing is a violation of the Code.

All Testimony given in an Honor Board hearing is to be held in the strictest confidence.

Please present your evidence to the Board.

### **To the Witnesses for the Accuser and the Accused:**

Hello, I'm \_\_\_\_\_, Honor Board Chairperson. I'd like everyone to introduce themselves.

As Honor Board Chairperson, I must make you aware of the following:

1. False testimony given in an Honor Board hearing is a violation of the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct.
2. All testimony given in an Honor Board hearing is to be held in the strictest confidence.
3. All witnesses must be called to give substantive testimony rather than act as character witnesses.

Please present your evidence to the Board.

### **To the Accused Student:**

Hello, I'm \_\_\_\_\_, Honor Board Chairperson. I'd like everyone to introduce themselves.

As Honor Board Chairperson, I must make you aware of the following:

1. False testimony given in an Honor Board hearing is a violation of the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct.
2. All testimony given in an Honor Board hearing is to be held in the strictest confidence.
3. All witnesses must be called to give substantive testimony rather than act as character witnesses.
4. The hearing panel determines guilt or innocence and, if warranted, recommends a penalty to the Dean of your school. The Dean shall inform the accused, the instructor in the course, and the presiding officer of the Honor Board of the final disposition of the case.
5. You may make a statement before the Honor Board, examine or dispute any evidence, make no statement, or decline to respond to any questions.

Do you understand your rights?

You have been accused of violating the Unified Code of Graduate Student Academic Conduct, specifically \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_.

Please present your response to this charge.