

**Middle Tennessee State University
Office of Judicial Affairs and Mediation Services
May 20, 2015-July 7, 2016**

Total Number of Disciplinary Cases: 825

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	555	67.3	Freshman	337	40.8
Female	263	31.9	Sophomore	155	18.8
Organization	7	0.8	Junior	127	15.4
			Senior	179	21.7
			Graduate	12	1.5
			Unknown	8	1.0

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	114	7.2
Hazing	30	1.9
Disorderly Conduct	56	3.5
Obstruction/Interference with activities/ facilities	5	0.3
Misuse or Damage to Property	25	1.6
Theft, Misappropriation, Unauthorized Sale	30	1.9
Misuse of Documents/ID Cards	11	0.7

Firearms & Other Dangerous Weapons	7	0.4
Explosives, Fireworks, and Flammable Materials	3	0.2
Alcoholic Beverages	86	5.4
Drugs	147	9.2
Drug Paraphernalia	54	3.4
Public Intoxication	118	7.4
Gambling	1	.06
Financial Irresponsibility	1	.06
Unacceptable Conduct in Disciplinary Proceedings	5	0.3
Failure to Cooperative with Institutional Officials	76	4.8
Violation of General Rules and Regulations	65	4.1
Attempts, Aiding, and Abetting	116	7.3
Violation of State/Federal Laws	2	0.1
Violation of Imposed Disciplinary Sanctions	28	1.8
Sexual Misconduct	9	0.6
Harassment or Retaliation	0	0
Academic Misconduct	402	25.2
Unauthorized Duplication or Possession of Keys	0	0
Litter	0	0
Pornography	3	0.2
Abuse of Computer Resources	1	.06
Unauthorized Access to Facilities/Grounds	12	0.8
Providing False Information	24	1.5
Unauthorized Surveillance	3	0.2
Smoking Violations	11	0.7
Fire Drills	0	0
Motor Vehicles	26	1.6
Sirens and Loudspeakers	0	0
Student ID Cards	9	0.6
Graffiti	0	0
Violation of Housing Policies	113	7.1

Sanction Type:	Total Number:	Percentage:
Restitution	8	0.9
Fines	0	0
Verbal Warning	32	3.5
Written Reprimand	225	24.3
Educational Sanction (comm. service, counseling, etc.)	114	12.3
Parental Notification	83	8.9
Housing Probation	64	6.9
Disciplinary Probation (includes tenure & developmental)	251	27.0
Removal of Privileges/ Restriction	109	11.7
No Contact	13	1.4
Suspension	28	3.0
Expulsion	1	0.1
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:

- Academic Misconduct remains the most violated policy. This is the third year it has been housed under the Provost's Office. Every year this violation continues to increase. This year it increased by over 140 cases.
- Freshmen continue to account for the majority of students seen in the office. Males continue to be referred more often than females, with the percentage of each respective gender staying approximately the same over the year. Males are more likely than females to be referred for violations.
- Organizational referrals were down slightly, speculatively due to less fraternities residing on campus. The number of fraternities at MTSU remains the same, but more are opting to reside off campus. While low level policy violations are slightly less, serious organizational infractions continue to persist as consistent rates.
- Cases involving drugs continue to increase and were higher than the previous year. Public Intoxication and Alcohol violations also increased.

- We continue to have high volumes of 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, fraternities, sororities, IFC, Panhellenic, study abroad students, graduate teaching assistants, the Scholar's Academy, faculty members, and special student populations.