Summary of Procedural Timescales*

in the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy



*All timescales indicated constitute calendar days, excluding bank holidays and statutory closure days.

| Regulatory Procedure | Responsibility | Stage of respective procedure | Timescale | Relevant Paragraph |
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| Preliminary Enquiry (PE) Section 4 | School | Completion of Preliminary Enquiry | Normally within 14 days of receipt of an allegation, including notification in writing of the PE outcome (where an interview is requested under this procedure and/or in sensitive circumstances, this may prolong completion of this process). | 4.15 |
| | Student | Preliminary Enquiry interview: notify Preliminary Enquiry Investigator of accompanying party | Normally provide the School with at least 24 hours' notice of anyone expected to accompany student to interview | 4.10 |
| | Student | Complaint/disagreement concerning a Preliminary Enquiry Outcome | Normally within 7 days of receiving formal written notification of the Preliminary Enquiry outcome | 4.16 |
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| Misconduct Panel Sections 5 & 6 | School | Notification to student that a Misconduct & Professional Conduct Panel Hearing will take place | Normally at least 10 days' notification of a Hearing, and in any case at least 7 days' notification | 6.9 |
| | School | Notification to student of the exact date of a Misconduct & Professional Conduct Panel Hearing | At least 7 days' notification of the exact date of the Hearing together with all relevant documentation | 6.10 |
| | Student / School | Requesting witness(es) for attendance at a Hearing | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 5.3 & 6.12 |

| Misconduct Panel Section 5 (continued) | Student | Notification of being accompanied to Panel Hearing | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 5.3 & 6.13 |
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| | Student | Submission of documentation for consideration by a Panel | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 6.11 |
| | School | Postponement or adjournment of a Hearing prior to a Hearing commencing | Not normally to exceed 21 days, except in unavoidable circumstances | Appendix 3 Guidance on Hearings |
| | Student | Request for deferral of Hearing prior to Hearing commencing | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 5.7 |
| | School | Notification to a student of the adjournment of a Hearing after the Hearing has commenced | The student will be notified of the adjournment normally within 24 hours of the decision to adjourn | 6.14 7) |
| | School | Adjournment of a Hearing after the Hearing has commenced | The Panel will normally reconvene to continue its deliberations, reach a decision and agree its findings, within 10 working days of the original hearing date. | Appendix 3 Guidance on Hearings |
| | School | Misconduct Panel Hearing Outcome Letter | The Secretary to the Misconduct Panel will send a Hearing Outcome letter to the student, normally within 7 days of the date of the hearing. | 6.14 8) & 6.27 |
| | Student | Making an appeal submission against a decision/finding(s) of the Misconduct Panel | Normally within 14 days of the date of the Misconduct Hearing Outcome Letter | 6.26 & 7.2 |
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| Appeal not forwarded to Misconduct Appeals Panel; Section 7 | School | Appeal Outcome Letter issued (unsuccessful; no Misconduct Appeals Panel appointed) | Appeal Outcome letter will be sent normally within 21 days of receipt of the appeal submission, and either simultaneously or shortly after, the student will be issued with a Completion of Procedures Letter, normally no more than 14 days after the date of the | 7.8 |
| | | | Appeal Outcome Letter. | |
| Completion of Procedures | School | Completion of Procedures Letter is issued | | 7.8 |
| Section 7 | | | | |

| Misconduct | School | Notification to student that a | Normally at least 10 days' notification of a | 8.10-8.11 |
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| Appeals Panel | | Misconduct Appeals Panel Hearing will take place | Hearing, and in any case at least 7 days ' notification | |
| Sections 5 & 8 | School | Notification to student of the exact date of an MPC Appeals Panel Hearing | At least 7 days' notification of the exact date of the Hearing together with all relevant documentation | 8.11 |
| | Student | Notification to School of being accompanied to Panel Hearing | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 8.12 |
| Misconduct Appeals Panel | Student / School | Requesting witness(es) for attendance at a Hearing | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 8.15 |
| Section 7 | Student | Submission of documentation for consideration by a Panel | At least 48 hours in advance of the Hearing | 8.15 |
| (Continued) | School | Postponement or adjournment of a Hearing prior to a Hearing commencing | Not normally to exceed 21 days, except in unavoidable circumstances | Appendix 3 Guidance on Hearings |
| | School | Notification to a student of the adjournment of a Hearing after the Hearing has commenced | The student will be notified of the adjournment normally within 24 hours of the decision to adjourn | 8.16 7) |
| | School | Adjournment of a Hearing after the Hearing has commenced | The Panel will normally reconvene to continue its deliberations, reach a decision and agree its findings, within 10 working days of the original hearing date. | Appendix 3 Guidance on Hearings |
| | School | Misconduct Appeals Panel Hearing Outcome Letter | The Secretary to the Misconduct Appeals Panel will send a Hearing Outcome letter to the student, normally within 7 days of the date of the hearing. | 8.26 |
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| Completion of Procedures | School | Completion of Procedures is issued | MPC Appeals Hearing Outcome letter will be sent normally within 21 days of receipt of the appeal submission, and either simultaneously or | For additional guidance |
| Section 7 | | | shortly after, the student will be issued with a Completion of Procedures Letter, normally no more than 14 days after the date of the Appeal Outcome Letter. | see the OIA website. |

Appendix 7