

# **Brighton Students' Union Support**

Disciplinary Procedures (2020/21)  
University of Brighton

# Disciplinary

Students are part of the wider academic and local communities and are expected to adhere to their respective University's rules and regulations. Students whose conduct breaches those rules and regulations may find themselves subject to their University's disciplinary procedure. Where any misconduct relates to examinations and academic work, such as plagiarism or cheating you should refer first to our Academic Misconduct advice guide.

## Examples of Disciplinary Offence

The university describes a disciplinary offence as:

*“Misconduct [and] is defined as behaviour which interferes with activities or functions of the University, or with those who work or study at the University, or as action which otherwise damages the University's reputation in the community or more widely*

We thought it would be helpful to give you some examples of what the university might consider to be behaviours worthy of disciplinary action. So, we came up with this **non-exhaustive** list:

- Violent, indecent, disorderly, threatening, or offensive behaviour that causes harm, fear or distress to others.
- Harassment or bullying of any member of the University or any visitor to the University (whether in a physical or virtual environment).
- Misappropriation of University funds or assets.
- Fraudulent activity or claims
- Any action likely to cause injury to any person or impair the safety of the premises, including interference with health and safety access routes, equipment and/or materials.
- Use, possession, buying or selling of illegal drugs or other illegal intoxicating substances.
- Any behaviour or action of a kind which is likely to bring the name of the University into disrepute or which reflects adversely on the relationships which the University seeks to maintain with the local community.

# Disciplinary Procedures

A copy of the university's student disciplinary procedure can be found here:

<https://unibrightonac.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/public/EQbLvTXti2VGtSdUGK8DFfQB7eEDgARxJp6FbZy541WNGg?e=Swkaaw>

## Getting help

We can:

- Help you understand the allegation and help you write any statement of mitigation as clearly as possible
- Provide guidance on how to respond to misconduct allegations
- Accompany you to a meeting
- Advise you on how best to structure any appeal and what supporting documentation to provide

You can get advice from the Students' Union's Support team. You can email to book an appointment with one of our advisers [here](#).