

**Middle Tennessee State University  
Office of Judicial Affairs and Mediation Services  
August 18, 2012 – June 19, 2013**

**Total Number of Disciplinary Cases: 542**

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 and Mediation Services during the specified time period.

<u>Gender</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Male	341	62.9	Freshman	258	47.6
Female	198	36.6	Sophomore	106	19.6
Organization	3	0.5	Junior	70	13.0
			Senior	91	16.8
			Graduate	10	1.9
			Unknown	4	0.8

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.

<b>Violation Type:</b>	<b>Total Number:</b>	<b>Percentage:</b>
Conduct Dangerous to Others	99	10.6
Hazing	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	71	7.6
Obstruction/Interference with activities/ facilities	5	0.5
Misuse or Damage to Property	9	0.9
Theft, Misappropriation, Unauthorized Sale	50	5.6

Misuse of Documents/ID Cards	21	2.3
Firearms & Other Dangerous Weapons	15	1.6
Explosives, Fireworks, and Flammable Materials	0	0
Alcoholic Beverages	42	4.5
Drugs	77	8.3
Drug Paraphernalia	34	3.6
Public Intoxication	71	7.6
Gambling	0	0
Financial Irresponsibility	1	0.1
Unacceptable Conduct in Disciplinary Proceedings	0	0
Failure to Cooperative with Institutional Officials	25	2.7
Violation of General Rules and Regulations	35	3.8
Attempts, Aiding, and Abetting	35	3.8
Violation of State/Federal Laws	4	0.4
Violation of Imposed Disciplinary Sanctions	5	0.5
Sexual Battery/Rape	1	0.1
Harassment or Retaliation	13	1.4
Academic Misconduct	215	23.1
Unauthorized Duplication or Possession of Keys	0	0
Litter	0	0
Pornography	2	0.2
Abuse of Computer Resources	13	1.4
Unauthorized Access to Facilities/Grounds	3	0.3
Providing False Information	20	2.2
Unauthorized Surveillance	2	0.2
Smoking Violations	11	1.2
Fire Drills	0	0
Motor Vehicles	49	5.3
Sirens and Loudspeakers	0	0
Student ID Cards	2	0.2

Sexual Misconduct	3	0.3
Graffiti	0	0
<b>Sanction Type:</b>	<b>Total Number:</b>	
Restitution	4	0.6
Verbal Warning	21	3.1
Written Reprimand	170	25.4
Educational Sanction (comm. service, counseling, etc.)	92	13.8
Parental Notification	55	8.2
Housing Probation	31	4.6
Disciplinary Probation (includes tenure & developmental)	186	27.8
Removal of Privileges/ Restriction	74	11.1
No Contact	19	2.8
Suspension	15	2.2
Expulsion	3	0.4
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:

- “Theft” violations increased.
- The incidence of “Academic Misconduct” continues to be above 200 cases per year. The number of cases increased over the past year, even though our total number of cases was smaller.
- Freshman and sophomores continue to account for the majority of students seen in the office. Males continue to be referred more often than females.
- “Alcohol” and “Public Intoxication” violations decreased significantly. Speculatively thinking, it appears this could be due to the fact that several fraternities left Greek Row/ on-campus housing, students are more aware of the possible repercussions for violating the alcohol policy, and the two University Housing & Residential Life administrators who handle discipline were both on maternity leave and therefore referrals were down.

Additionally, the Coordinator for Judicial Affairs was on maternity leave, causing lower level alcohol offenses to be adjudicated internally in Housing/ Fraternity & Sorority Life. Lastly, Fraternity & Sorority Life was not fully staffed for the 2012-2013 academic year and consequently House Inspection referrals reduced dramatically.

### Educational Outreach

The Office of Judicial Affairs and Mediation Services conducted close to 100 educational presentations for the time period specified. The office did educational presentations in approximately 50 University 1010 classes. Other audiences included the Academic Success Series participants, CUSTOMS, athletics, the Greek community, study abroad students, graduate teaching assistants, faculty members, and special student populations.