# COLLEGE POLICIES

## DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

Disciplinary sanctions at Santa Monica College include, but are not limited to, verbal or written reprimands, probation, a disciplinary hold, removal from class, ineligibility to participate in extracurricular activities, suspension, and expulsion. These are listed in order of severity, and repeated instances of lesser infractions may lead to a more severe disciplinary action. The College Disciplinarian is responsible for enforcement of these sanctions. If a written report is placed in a student's disciplinary file, the student has the right to inspect and appeal the information as specified in California Education Code §76232. Disciplinary sanctions are described in detail in the "Rules for Student Conduct" (SMC AR 4410), posted online (go to smc.edu/AR4000StudentServices).

### Written Reprimand

A written reprimand issued by the College Disciplinarian serves to place a statement in a student's disciplinary records (not the student's academic records) that the student has not met the standards of conduct set forth above.

1. The student has an opportunity to write a response to the reprimand, and the response will be placed on record with the reprimand; and
2. With regard to written reprimands, there will be no hearing or appeal to the Student Conduct Appeals or Sexual Assault Committee.

### Disciplinary Probation

A student who fails to meet the standards of conduct may be placed on disciplinary probation by the College Disciplinarian. The student will be notified in writing that continued conduct of the type described in a "notice of disciplinary probation" will result in a more severe disciplinary sanction. The notice of disciplinary probation must include:

1. The period of time the student is to be on probation (this period may not exceed one year), and
2. The disciplinary sanction to be imposed.

A student has the right to pursue the Hearing and Appeal Process before disciplinary probation is imposed.

### Removal from Class

An instructor is authorized to remove a student from class for cause for the remainder of the class on the day of the removal and the next class meeting. The instructor will immediately report the removal to the College Disciplinarian. During the period of removal, a student will not be permitted to return to the class without the agreement of the instructor of the class. With regard to removal from class, there is no hearing or appeal to the Student Conduct Appeals Committee.

### Removal from Extracurricular Activities

The College Disciplinarian may remove a student from extracurricular activities for "good cause." The period of removal may not exceed one year. Sanctions may include:

1. Removal from office in all College organizations;
2. Ineligibility to participate in all College-sponsored activities, including public performances; and/or
3. Ineligibility to participate in College extracurricular activities.

Nothing in this policy, however, restricts the College Disciplinarian from imposing lesser sanctions.

A student has the right to pursue the Hearing and Appeal Process before removal from extracurricular activities is imposed.

### Suspension

The College Disciplinarian is authorized to suspend a student for "good cause." The suspension may be:

1. From one or more classes for a period of up to ten days of instruction;
2. From one or more classes for the remainder of the school term; or
3. From all classes and College activities for one or more terms.

If a student who is suspended is a minor, the College Disciplinarian will notify the student's parent or legal guardian of the suspension in writing.

### Expulsion

A student may be expelled by the Board of Trustees for "good cause." Expulsion is authorized when other means of correction fail to bring about proper conduct.