ACADEMIC INTEGRITY REVIEW BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

To the Irvine Divisional Senate Assembly:

The Academic Integrity Review Board (AIRB) respectfully submits its activities for the 2021-22 academic year.

I. Committee Charge and Operation

The primary function of the Academic Integrity Review Board (AIRB) is to convene panels to hear student appeals of academic integrity cases. The Board also makes recommendations to the Office of Academic Integrity and Student Conduct (OAISC) and the Academic Senate regarding policies and procedures on academic integrity. The Board reports a summary of activities annually or as needed to the Council on Teaching, Learning, and Student Experience (CTLSE).

Brian Jenkins, Associate Teaching Professor, chaired the Academic Integrity Review Board in 2021-22. The Board as a whole met twice. The Board received 32 appeals during the year, including during the summer session.

II. Campus and Divisional Issues

A. Dismissal: Previous Academic Disciplinary History

(Meeting Date: 12/3/21)

AIRB discussed whether the number of times a student is found responsible for academic dishonesty should result in dismissal. Members considered whether there should be a prescribed set of offenses that warrant dismissal and whether the campus should follow a three-strike rule. It was suggested that violations be given points based on severity. As there are multiple aspects to an offense, a binary result of responsible or not responsible may be inappropriate. Consideration should be paid to where there is evidence of intention. Buying papers is different from paraphrasing inappropriately and missing citations. Ultimately, there was consensus that the Board should err on the side of supporting the decisions of the OAISC given the time and effort that goes into investigations.

B. Guidelines for Panel Deliberation

(Meeting Date: 12/3/21)

AIRB discussed frequent issues that arise in the review of appeals. It was noted that information on how OAISC adjudicators are trained to evaluate cases would be helpful. The Board also suggested looking into trends in academic integrity cases such as whether there has been an increase in the overturning of a sanction.

C. Guidelines for Remote Exam Proctoring

(Meeting Dates: 12/3/21 & 4/22/22)

Draft academic integrity guidelines for the assessment of online classes were reviewed. The Board suggested that the guidelines should acknowledge the reality of limited resources and clarify that it is not a mandate. However, the guidelines should serve as a signal to the administration of the necessity for appropriate resource allocation.

III. Guests

AIRB invited Kim Burdett, Director of Academic Integrity & Student Conduct and Chris Frank, Interim Associate Director of Academic Integrity to its December 3, 2021 meeting to provide an overview of campus academic integrity processes.

IV. Continuing Board Issues for 2022-23

- Office of Academic Integrity and Student Conduct updates
- 2. Academic Integrity Policy and Procedures updates
- 3. Sanction equity reporting

V. 2021-22 Academic Integrity Review Board

Brian Jenkins, Social Sciences (Chair)

Holly Durbin, Arts

Audrey Lew, Biological Sciences

Chong Huang, Business

Jade Jenkins, Education

Ali Mohraz, Engineering

Qian Du, Humanities

Kylie Peppler, ICS

Stephen Bondy, Medicine (Clinical Science)

Kyoko Yokomori, Medicine (Basic Science)

Vladimir Mandelshtam, Physical Sciences

Guiyun Yan, Health Sciences

Nicholas Scurich, Social Ecology

Ex Officio:

Jeannett Castellanos, Social Sciences Samuel Schriner, Pharmaceutical Sciences David Van Vranken, Physical Sciences

Senate Analyst:

Michelle Chen, Academic Senate