

## Memorandum

To: Academic Council  
From: Robert D. Karpinski Associate Vice-President, Academic and Library Affairs  
Date: March 11, 2022  
Re: Annual Report on Academic Integrity for AY 2019-20

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### Summary

Each year Academic Affairs is charged with reporting activity of the Academic Integrity Board. This report documents the cases filed and acted upon through AY 2019-20. The Academic Integrity (AI) process appears to be well established and effectively implemented in each of DePaul's colleges as evidenced by the low number of violations in each college in relationship to the enrollment in each college. More importantly, the process seems to be effectively communicating the importance of academic integrity to students who go through the AI process as judged by the relatively small proportion of students with multiple violations.

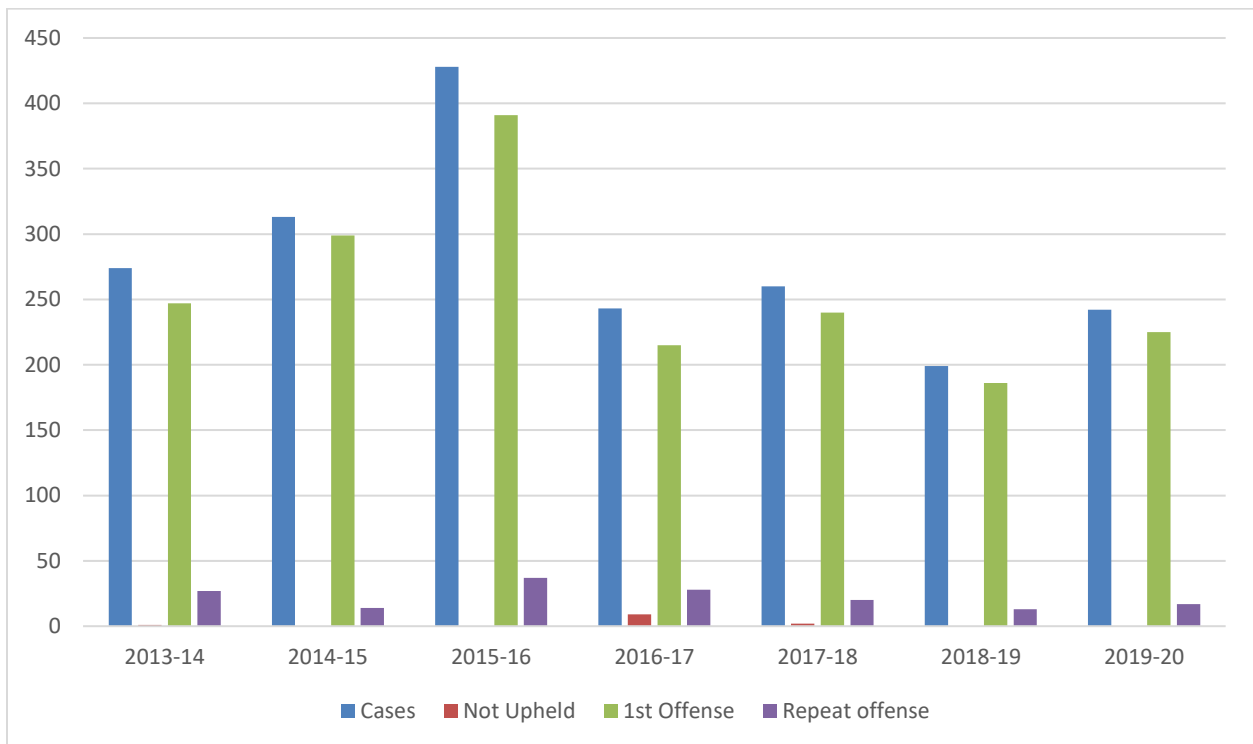
### The Academic Integrity Board (AIB)

During AY 2019-20, the AIB consisted of 18 faculty members who represent each of DePaul's colleges. These faculty members are used to form panels (each panel consists of three faculty and two students) that hear AI cases for repeat violators and/or appeals. During AY 2019-20, Dr. Antonio Ceraso served as chair of the board. The Academic Integrity process is further supported by eight faculty members who serve as consultants for faculty who have questions about the AI process and an additional eight faculty members who serve as consultants for students.

## Overall Summary of Academic Integrity Cases

Chart 1 provides an overview of academic integrity cases and their outcomes, by year, from AY 2013-2014 through AY 2019-20. First-time violations comprise the majority of cases (generally 85%-95%) in each of the years reported, and in AY 2019-20 over 90% of cases involved first-time violators. This suggests that the application of the AI policy effectively communicates the importance of doing honest work to students who go through the process.

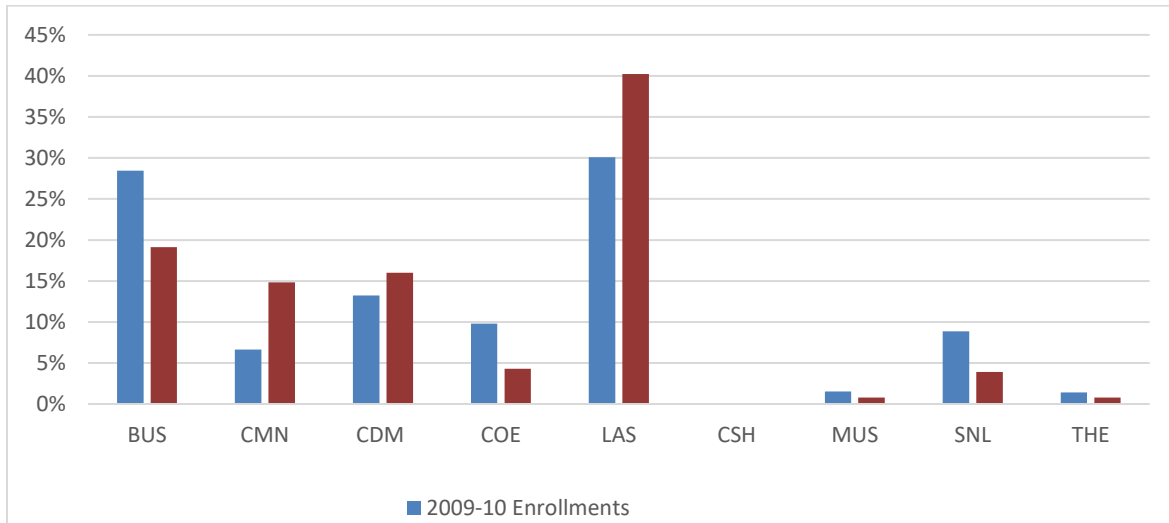
**Chart 1 - Overall Violations by Year**



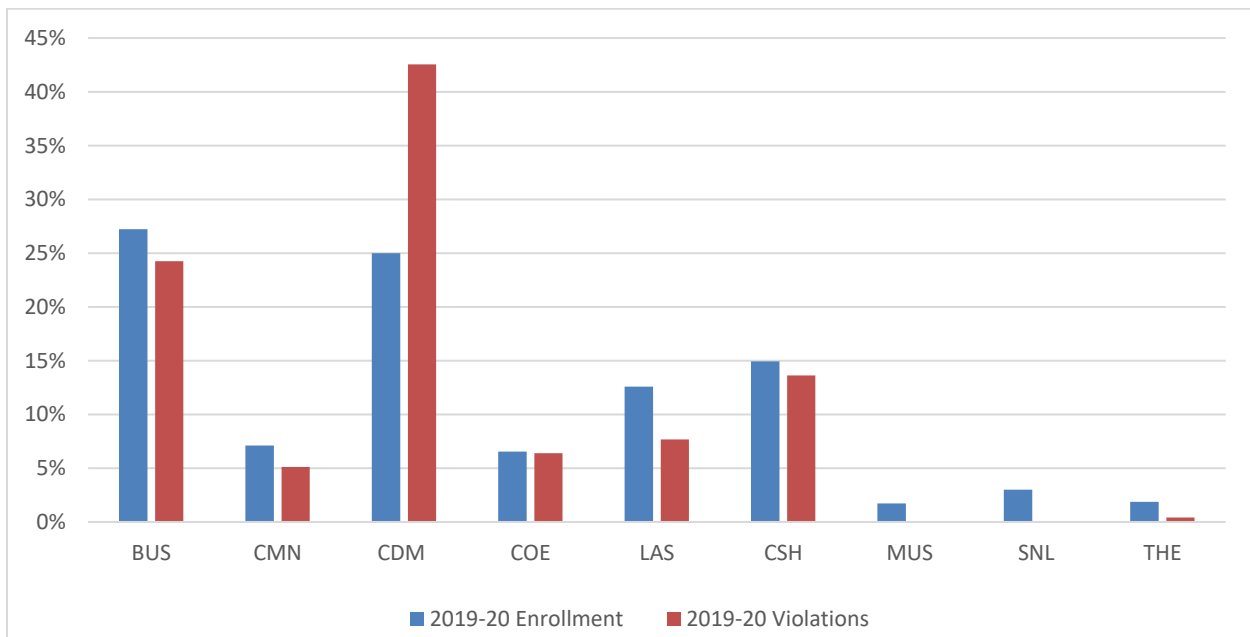
## Violations by College

Charts 2 and 3 present the distribution across colleges of the students who committed academic integrity violations in AY 2009-10 and AY 2019-20. Chart 2 shows the historical data from AY 2009-10. Chart 3 presents the distribution across colleges of the students who committed the 260 violations that occurred in AY 2019-20 and the distribution across colleges of DePaul's student enrollment. This chart shows that students in CDM, CSH and Business commit approximately 75% of the violations.

**Chart 2 - Enrollments and Violations by College (AY 09-10)**



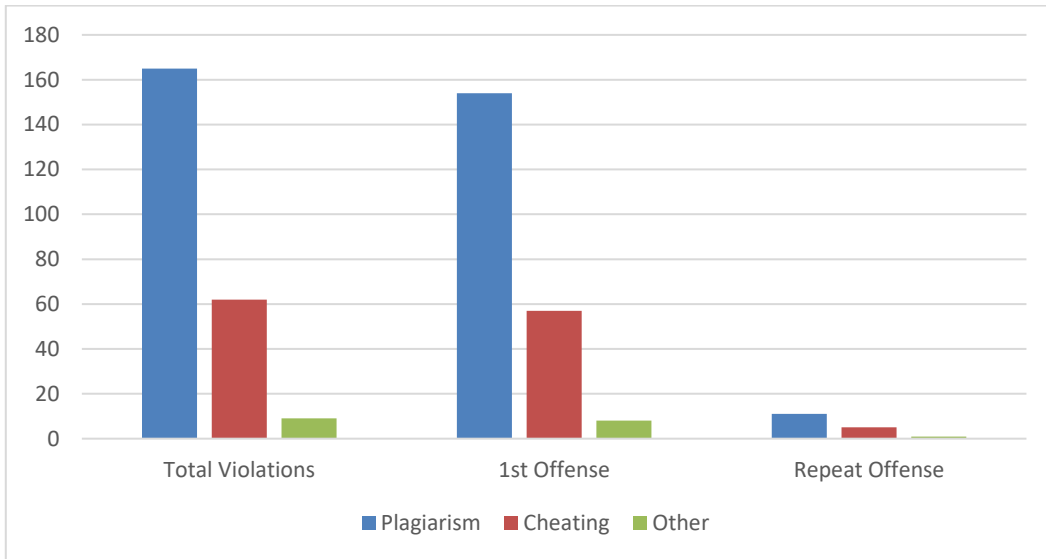
**Chart 3 - Enrollments and Violations by College (AY 19-20)**



### Violations and Board Sanctions

Chart 4 presents information about the types of academic integrity violations that occurred during AY 2019-20. Plagiarism and cheating comprise the vast majority of academic integrity violations. The chart shows students who did not violate the AI policy in the past commit the vast majority of plagiarism violations. This suggests that the AI process encourages students not to plagiarize.

**Chart 4 - Type and Frequency of Violations Committed (AY 2019-20)**



### Upheld AI Cases by Home College

Relatedly, Chart 5 presents home college data about upheld cases for each college from AY 2010-11 through AY 2019-20.

**Chart 5 - Upheld cases by College and Year (AY 2010-11 through 2019-20)**

