

Internal Affairs and Complaints Summary

Calendar Year (CY) 2021 Annual Summary

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25.1.5 Summary of Investigations Available to Public

The agency compiles annual statistical summaries of complaints and internal affairs investigation, which are made available to the public and agency employees.

OVERVIEW

All received internal and external complaints were fully investigated by the Department of Campus Safety (DCS). In CY2021, the Department's Associate Director/Commander oversaw the Internal Affairs function and ensured all complaints against DCS personnel were investigated, either as an Internal Affairs Investigation, or at the supervisor level through a Supervisor Inquiry.

There were no citizen complaints in CY2021. There was one citizen concern where the citizen in question did not wish to file a formal complaint after speaking with a DCS supervisor. There were 11 internal employee complaints lodged against a DCS employee by another DCS employee.

STATISTICAL DATA

The Department of Campus Safety utilized an electronic software program, Guardian Tracking, for the purpose of recording the intake, review, assignment and processing of both internal employee complaints and external citizen complaints against members of the Department or the Department as a whole. This software ensures accurate reporting of these types of incidents and the Department's response. Each case is reviewed by the Director of Campus Safety with conclusions and recommendations of corrective or disciplinary action, if applicable. The Director of Campus Safety determines the final outcome of the case.

The below tables contain statistical data for citizen complaints received and internal employee complaints initiated between CY2019 and CY2021.

	2019	2020	2021
Citizen Complaint (External)	4	3	0
Sustained	2	2	0
Not Sustained	0	1	0
Unfounded	0	1	0
Exonerated	2	0	0
Withdrawn	0	0	0

Complaints may have more than one employee involved. The chart reflects the total number of findings of fact for each employee for the complaints received and assigned for investigation or an inquiry.

	2019	2020	2021
Internal Employee Complaints	1	11	11
Sustained	2	15	10
Not Sustained	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	2	1
Exonerated	0	3	1
Other	0	0	2

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CATEGORY	2019	2020	2021
Harassment Allegations	1	1	0
Discrimination Allegations	0	0	0
Bias Based Profiling	0	1	0

The above data is collected from the University's Office of Equal Opportunity and Title IX. These cases are handled by this Department, and the specific content of the investigations are considered confidential.

Internal Employee Complaints

# of Internal Complaints	Incident Number	Allegation	Finding	Action
1	EIR-2021-001	General Conduct	Unfounded	N/A
2	EIR-2021-002	Use and Care of	Sustained	Written Warning
		Department Vehicle		
	EIR-2021-002	Improper Conduct	Exonerated	N/A
	EIR-2021-002	Use of Department	Sustained	Written Warning /
		Vehicles		Remedial Training
3	EIR-2021-004	General Conduct	Sustained	Suspension
				without Pay
	EIR-2021-004	Job Knowledge and	Sustained	Coaching
		Compliance		
4	EIR-2021-005	General Conduct	Sustained	Written Warning
5	EIR-2021-006	Job Performance,	Sustained	Written Warning
		Competency, and		
		Proficiency		
6	EIR-2021-007	General Conduct	N/A	Employee
				Resigned During
				Investigation
7	EIR-2021-008	General Conduct	N/A	Employee
				Resigned During
				Investigation

8	EIR-2021-009	Use and Care of	Sustained	Written Warning
		Department Vehicle		
9	EIR-2021-010	Use and Care of	Sustained	Suspension
		Department Vehicle		without Pay
10	EIR-2021-011	Job Performance,	Sustained	Termination
		Competency, and		
		Proficiency		
11	EIR-2021-012	Job Performance,	Sustained	Coaching
		Competency, and		
		Proficiency		

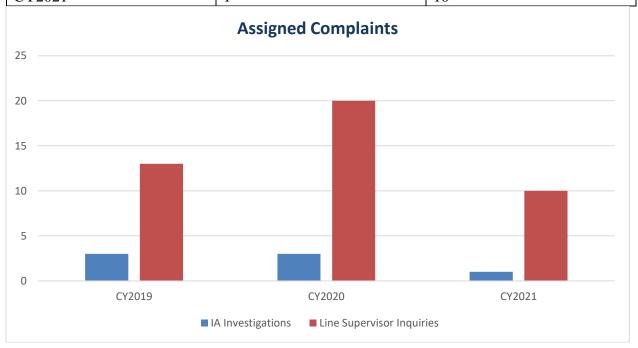
Incident numbers are manually generated in Guardian Tracking, and there was an error made with EIR-2021-003 being skipped.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATIONS AND SUPERVISOR INQUIRES

Of the 11 internal employee complaints, ten were assigned to a line supervisor for investigation and one was considered serious misconduct and assigned to Internal Affairs for investigation. This continues to be a consistent trend with the majority of the complaints against DCS employees being more minor in nature.

Assigned Complaints - Internal Affairs Investigations vs Line Supervisor Inquiries

	IA Investigations	Supervisor Inquiry
CY2019	3	13
CY2020	3	20
CY2021	1	10



FINAL DISCIPLINARY OR CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The below table provides the type of discipline or corrective action associated with the above investigated allegations. Some sustained investigations included multiple allegations and were combined into one final action.

Personnel Actions	2019	2020	2021
Termination	2	0	1
Resigned in Lieu of Termination	1	1	0
Suspension	0	1	2
Demotion	4	0	0
Written Warning	8	2	5
Written Counseling	11	2	0
Verbal Coaching	-	16	2

POLICY REVIEW & CONCLUSION

The Department recently rewrote our Internal Affairs policy, and the responsibility for Internal Affairs is moving from the Associate Director/Commander to the Patrol Captain. Some of our processes were clarified to make the policy easier to understand and apply in practice. This will not have an impact on the ability of citizens or employees to make a complaint using the processes already in place.

The Department's complaint and investigation procedures continue to be appropriate and work as intended. The procedure to file a complaint is listed on the Department and may be done through a multitude of methods. The Department's policy is to accept all complaints, including anonymous complaints.