Student of Concern Committee

The Student of Concern Committee (SOC) is composed of representatives from the Disability Services Office, the University of Cincinnati Police Department, the Office of University Judicial Affairs, and a faculty representative per recommendation from Faculty Senate. Representatives from the Counseling and Psychological Services Center and the Office of University Ombuds will serve as permanent consultants. Representatives from the branch campuses will be asked to join the SOC meeting when discussing branch campus students. The SOC seeks legal advice from the Office of General Counsel as needed. The SOC shall meet monthly for general meetings in addition to ad hoc meetings when there is a report of a specific concern for discussion.

The purpose of the committee is to respond to reports about students whose behavior is raising concerns within the University community. Its responsibilities include gathering and sharing information, discerning whether there are multiple concerns about a student within a setting or across multiple settings, or when the situation encompasses a variety of issues. The committee is charged to devise a coordinated plan for assessment, intervention and management of the concerns for the student’s wellbeing and that of the University community. Students who are deemed a threat to self or UC will be referred for further review by the Threat Assessment Group.

Any member of the University community may contact the Dean of Students or any committee member to express a concern. Any member of the committee already aware of a situation causing concern may request the Chair to convene the committee. The Chair will bring all reported concerns before the committee.

Other individuals may be invited to a meeting as appropriate, such as the person raising the concern, others with relevant information or those in a position to provide assistance. Involvement and disclosure of information are managed consistently with need to know and health and safety clauses of FERPA, HIPAA, and other relevant laws and codes.

Membership:

Rodney Chatman UCPD
Daniel S. Cummins Student Affairs - Chair
Lillian Santa-Maria University Ombuds*
Trent Pinto Resident Education and Development
Michael Southern Disability Services
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*Serve as permanent consultants