We processed 62 cases during the start of the spring semester (January 8, 2014 – May 7, 2014)

- 50 completed cases: 27 academic cases and 23 conduct cases
  - 12 not guilty, 1 full guilty, 21 EHP, 16 HCAR
    *(please see appendix for hearing type explanations)*
- 8 no charges, 7 of which were conduct cases
- 3 dropped conduct cases

Note: This graph is based on the 50 completed cases from January 8, 2014 to March 7, 2014.
Faculty Outreach continues full steam ahead

- Ina Kosova has given 15 department presentations since the start of the Spring semester
- We continue to partner with the Faculty Honor System Advisory Committee (FHSAC) to define the role of faculty liaisons
- Professor Judith Wegner has advised on best ways to approach faculty liaisons and what resources Outreach should provide
- We performed a review of the Department Outreach Program and are now writing a report on methods for improvement
University System President Tom Ross hosts dialogue on the Honor System

• On March 31, 2014 University System President Tom Ross will visit campus through an initiative sponsored by the Honor System and the Student Advisory Committee to the Chancellor

• Mr. Ross will lead a one hour small-group faculty discussion to air concerns, feedback, and insights faculty may have in regards to UNC-CH’s student-led Honor System

• **At 5:00pm on March 31** Mr. Ross will lead an open forum in the Aquarium Lounge (second floor) of the Union. We welcome everyone to stop by and bring questions. We hope to see you there!
The Committee on Student Conduct passed several changes to the Honor System

- A full draft of a new *Instrument* was passed by Student Congress and the Faculty Council. This includes:
  - An informal Student Instructor Alternative Resolution
  - A change in the burden of proof to clear and convincing evidence
  - The removal of the usual sanction of suspension for all academic cases
  - The addition of a faculty member to the fact finding phase of academic not guilty cases
  - An XF grade
  - A new charge that clarifies that it is an Honor Code violation for a student to subvert the requirements of an assignment by turning in previously submitted work.

- The new changes will go into effect August 1
- COSC is working with student leaders and administrative support staff to develop training and supporting policies for these changes
The Honor System welcomes a new Attorney General and Court Chair

• The new leadership will be inaugurated on April 1, 2014.
• Both Raquel and Dakota are highly qualified, and we are excited to welcome them to leadership.
• Raquel and Dakota look forward to working with faculty and administrators to implement the Honor System reforms.

Raquel Dominguez is the new Attorney General
- Raquel has served on AG Staff for three years as a counsel, a Managing Associate, and the Honor System Outreach Coordinator.
- Raquel can be reached at USAG@unc.edu

Dakota Foard is the new Honor Court Chair
- Dakota has served on the Honor Court for three years and two years as a Vice Chair.
- Dakota can be reached at honorcourt@unc.edu
Transition to new Outreach officers led by Josh Green, the new Outreach Coordinator

Josh Green is the new Honor System Outreach Coordinator

- Josh has served on the Attorney General’s Staff for two years as a counsel and a Managing Associate.
- Josh can be reached at hsoc@unc.edu

Benjamin Brindis is the new Student Outreach Officer

- Benjamin has just finished his first year on AG Staff serving as a student counsel.
- He will be taking over faculty outreach initiatives, including the Department Outreach Program.
- Faculty Liaisons can expect to hear from Benjamin in the coming weeks.

Hunter Baehren is the new Student Outreach Officer

- Hunter has just finished his first year on AG Staff serving as a student counsel.
- He will be taking over student outreach initiatives. Hunter will lead a number of campus initiatives, from planning major campus events to partnering with student organizations.
- Hunter’s first project will place 30 framed Honor System posters in various buildings around campus. If you’d like a poster in a certain classroom building, please email Hunter at baehren@live.unc.edu!
Appendix
243 completed cases: 123 academic cases & 120 conduct
- 68 NG hearings
- 5 FG hearings
- 111 EHPs
- 59 HCARs
On the 243 cases, there were 333 total charges*
- 189 academic charges
- 144 conduct charges
There were 56 no charges, 47 of which were conduct cases
There were 10 dropped charges, 7 of which were conduct cases

*Some cases have multiple charges

Note: This graph is based on the 192 completed cases processed since February 18, 2013
Findings and Hearing Types for February 18, 2013 through March 7, 2014

- Of the 189 academic charges there were 160 guilty findings and 29 not guilty findings.

- Of the 144 conduct charges there were 134 guilty findings and 10 not guilty findings.

- In total, 88% of cases have a guilty finding.

Note: This graph is based on the findings since February 18, 2013.

Academic Findings
- 85% Guilty
- 15% Not Guilty

Conduct Findings
- 93% Guilty
- 7% Not Guilty

Note: This graph is based on the findings since February 18, 2013.
Reports by department from February 18, 2013 through March 7, 2014

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Hearing types explained

- **‘Not Guilty’ Hearing:** A Not Guilty (NG) hearing is held when the accused student pleads “Not Guilty” to the charge(s) and wishes to contest the evidence against him/her. Both parties have the opportunity to present relevant evidence and testimony. The Court then goes into closed deliberation and issues a judgment of Guilty or Not Guilty for the charge(s) based on majority voting. If the accused student is found Guilty of one or more violations, the hearing will proceed into phase two – sanctioning. If the accused student is found Not Guilty of all alleged violations, the hearing ends. NG hearings typically last from 3 to 6 or more hours.

- **‘Full Guilty’ Hearing:** A Full Guilty (FG) hearing is held when the accused student pleads “Guilty” to the charge(s) but wishes to contest a specific portion of the evidence that does not dispute the broader spirit of the offense. This could focus on specific evidence such as the BAC level involved in a DWI, which sources were plagiarized in a paper, or differing storylines with the complainant. FG hearings typically follow a very similar structure and style to that of NG hearings, only with a focused fact-finding phase which discusses only the evidence in dispute. After all parties have had a chance to present evidence and testimony, the Court will issue a judgment regarding the disputed facts and move directly into the sanctioning phase. FG hearings typically last from 2 to 4 hours, largely depending on the extent of disputed evidence and complexity of the case.

- **Expedited Hearing Process:** An Expedited Hearing Process (EHP) is held when the accused student pleads “Guilty” to the charge(s) without disputing any of the factual evidence. EHPs are less formal than NG or FG hearings and involve only 3 Honor Court members. While the complainant is not required to attend, he/she has a right to attend if he/she so chooses. There is no formal fact-finding phase in an EHP; instead, the accused student gives an account of the incident to the Honor Court (which must be in agreement with the factual evidence) after which the hearing moves directly into the sanctioning phase. The SAG must approve a case to be eligible for an EHP. EHP hearings typically last 1.5 to 3 hours.

- **Honor Court Alternative Resolution:** An Honor Court Alternative Resolution (HCAR) is held at the discretion of the SAG for cases that are simple in nature. An HCAR is not a formal hearing and is not recorded. Instead, the Honor Court Chair and one Vice Chair sit down with the accused student and his/her defense counsel to offer a sanction. In an HCAR, the student will receive something less than suspension of the Court Chair, or if suspension or a more severe sanction might be warranted, will determine that it should not be processed as an HCAR. As always, the accused student has the choice to accept or reject the proposed sanction. If the accused student accepts the proposed sanction, his/her Honor System case is complete. If the accused student rejects the proposed sanction, he/she is committed to a guilty plea and moves directly into an EHP from which a binding sanction is imposed. HCARs typically last 30 minutes.