

1.9. Grievance Procedure

Temple University, its officers, deans and faculties are responsible for maintaining a learning and teaching environment which is free from sexual harassment. Violations of this policy may result in various forms of disciplinary action, consistent with the rules, regulations, and procedures of the Faculty Senate and, where appropriate, with provisions of the TAUP (faculty union) Agreement. Sexual harassment constitutes grave misconduct that may be an adequate cause for dismissal. Student grievances should be first discussed with the student's advisor. If a solution is not reached, grievance should be taken to the department chair, dean, and college grievance committee, in that order.

Academic Rights and Responsibilities

Temple University students who believe that instructors are introducing extraneous material into class discussions or that their grades are being affected by their opinions or views that are unrelated to a course's subject matter can file a complaint under the University's policy on academic rights and responsibilities. The full policy can be found at:

http://policies.temple.edu/getdoc.asp?policy_no=03.70.02

The policy encourages students to first discuss their concerns with their instructor. If a student is uncomfortable doing so, or if discussions with the instructor do not resolve the student's concerns, an informal complaint can be made to the Student Ombudsperson for the student's school or college. Unresolved complaints may be referred to the dean for handling in accordance with the school or college's established grievance procedure. Final appeals will be determined by the Provost.