Investigation Process

**Beginning**

**Report Submitted**
Initial report submitted to the Offices of the Dean of Student Life (ODSL) for review and recommendation for investigation.

**Investigation Initiated**
At least two investigators are appointed by ODSL. Investigators serve as fact gatherers.

**Students Notified of Investigation**
Students are notified via their Texas A&M University e-mail and/or phone. Students are required to meet with investigators in accordance with the University Student Rules (24.4.23. Abuse of student conduct process).

**Support Documentation**
Students may submit an additional written statement and/or other supporting documentation (text messages, e-mails, social media posts, etc.) related to the report for use in the investigative process by a designated deadline.

**Interviews**
Investigators review the investigation process with students including their options for participation in the investigation. Students have the opportunity to answer a series of questions and review/sign-off on notes taken by the investigators. Information provided to the investigators could result in the issuance of charges of violations of University Student Rules.

An advisor is only permitted during the interview if:
- The individual being interviewed has been identified as someone who may have been the recipient of sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking and/or related retaliation and is being interviewed related to that information; and/or
- The individual being interviewed has been reported as having engaged in sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking and/or related retaliation and is being interviewed related to that report.

**Investigation Report**
At the conclusion of the investigation, an Investigation Report is submitted to the Student Conduct Office (SCO). Investigations where an advisor is eligible will then be sent to the Texas A&M System Office of General Counsel for additional review. SCO determines if there is sufficient information to charge a student with an alleged violation. Organizations could be charged as well.

**Support**
Student Assistance Services (SAS) is available for support, questions, and resources for all parties involved during and after the investigation process. University and community resource information is provided to students.

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