

Vote: New code expands off-campus jurisdiction

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person would accept is an accepted legal approach to the definition of terms."

Soper is also concerned about the penalties of the rule.

In response, he and University Senator Dietrich Belitz developed a faculty group called the Standards of Evidence Committee, which promotes the idea that faculty members should not be fired or severely punished for violating a University rule unless there is "clear and convincing evidence" that they violated the rule.

"We're worried about someone losing their job and probably their whole career," Soper said.

But Lehrman said such worries lose sight of the range of penalties.

"There's enough paranoia to go around on this issue," he said.

The penalties can range from a letter of reprimand to a sanction. A sanction will lead to a contested case hearing, which may result in an unpaid leave of absence, a leave of absence, suspension or termination of the faculty member if found guilty, Lehrman said.

In response to the penalties, the Standards of Evidence Committee developed a statement of principle that proposes standards they believe should apply in cases of alleged faculty violation of University rules.

"A University faculty member should not be punished by a financial penalty of greater than \$10,000 or by dismissal from the University for breaking a University rule unless there is clear and convincing evidence that the faculty member did, in fact, break the rule," the statement states.

Soper and Belitz developed a web page asking faculty members to voice support or opposition of their statement of principle. The group is seeking enough support to have the wording of the rule changed before it's enacted, Soper said.

As of Tuesday, 55 people responded, with 48 in favor, five opposed and two undecided.

The 48 in favor include all three of the faculty named this year as CAS Distinguished Professors, three out of the three immediate past presidents of the University Senate and two members of the National Academy of Science.

Soper said one of the downfalls of passing this rule would be faculty members who avoid any type of relationship that could possibly be considered too close with a student for fear of termination.

"In my mind that's awful," he said. "One of the joys of being a teacher is the interaction with students."

With the revision of the Sexual Misconduct motion of the conduct code, Elaine Green, associate dean of the Office of Student Life and student conduct code coordinator, said she is optimistic about the Senate passing the motion. The motion includes descriptions of sexual misconduct and definitions of rape and sexual assault.

The Student Conduct Committee went through 22 drafts of the proposal until they were satisfied, Green said.

The original draft of the motion said students could be penalized for sexual misconduct that was committed "on or off the University campus." Now, it is limited to actions on University-owned or controlled property or at University-sponsored activities.

Originally, the motion also separated sex-

ual misconduct offenses into three areas — rape, sexual assault and unwanted sexual behavior.

But Green said the area of unwanted sexual behavior was taken out because it's already covered by the University's rules under sexual harassment.

The definition of "explicit consent" has also been revised since the first draft.

At first, explicit consent included, but wasn't limited to, an affirmative verbal response. Now, it includes "an affirmative verbal response or voluntary acts unmistakable in their meaning."

With such changes, Green said the final draft still has the same spirit of the first provision.

"It has a clear definition of consent, it is gender neutral and it expands the off-campus jurisdiction more than it is now," she said. "We know that rape is a unique problem at the University; victims often withdraw from the University. If it passes, it will increase students' confidence in the University's ability to respond to rape."

Event: Conference organizers expect high turnout

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plays, speakers and book sales.

Issues including Indian-controlled media, politics and American Indian literature, essentialization, cultural ownership, multiculturalism and "Canonicity" will be discussed among the community's and nation's finest Native American artists.

According to conference organizers, the event will be an unprecedented academic gathering examining the history and the future of Native American intellectuals in the United States.

"American Indian writers such as Pulitzer Prize winner N. Scott Momaday have found their audience by blending a tribal world view with the Euro-American world view," said Sidner Larson, conference organizer and University assistant professor of English.

"The result is a Native American renaissance that seeks to combine the best of mainstream culture with that of American Indian cul-

tures and may help with pressing problems such as how to heal our damaged environment and slow the disintegration of our social fabric."

Speakers will include Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist N. Scott Momaday, whose work has been said to have begun the modern Native American renaissance; Joy Harjo, a leading Native American poet; James Welch, poet, novelist and author of the nonfiction book *Killing Custer* and who wrote the script for the documentary *Last Stand at the Little Bighorn*, which aired on the 1992 PBS series *The American Experience*; Robert Warrior, a Native American history scholar and professor of English at Stanford University; and Arnold Krupat, a leading scholar of Native American literature and an English literature professor at Sarah Lawrence College.

In addition, there will be numerous panel discussions with many University professors and visiting professors and members

of the community, including *Register Guard* reporter and University graduate Beth Hege-Piatote; Shonna Husbands-Hankin, a Eugene artist; and James Florendo from the University office of Multicultural Affairs.

The conference pre-registration period was discontinued because all conference spaces were filled. Those who wish to attend the conference may register in the foyer of the EMU Ballroom before the conference begins each day.

"There will be a pretty significant turnout for the conference this year," Larson said. "We're getting responses from all across the country and from different places in the world also."

Programs for the conference may be picked up at the Native American Student Union or the University Office of Humanities. The conference will kick off on Thursday at 6 p.m. with a film, discussion and an introduction by Shari Huhndorf from the University's department of English.

NATIVE AMERICAN LITERATURE CONFERENCE

Thursday, May 15:

8-9:45 a.m. EMU Maple and Oak Rooms — Concurrent panel discussions
10-11:30 a.m. EMU Maple and Oak Rooms — Concurrent panel discussions and a round table discussion in the Gerlinger Alumni Lounge
1-2 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote speaker William Willard
2:30-4 p.m. EMU Maple Room and the Gerlinger Alumni Lounge — Concurrent panel discussions
4:30-5:30 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote speaker Daniel Littlefield
8 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote speaker James Welch

Friday, May 16:

8-9:30 a.m. EMU Maple and Oak Rooms and the Gerlinger Lounge — Concurrent Panel Discussions and Scandinavian SAMI Yoik Poetry featuring Harald Gaski
10-11:30 a.m. EMU Maple and Oak Rooms and the Gerlinger Lounge — Concurrent panel discussions and speaker Dell Hymes
1-2 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote

speaker Arnold Krupat

2:30-3:30 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote speaker Robert Allen Warrior
4 p.m. — EMU Ballroom — Keynote speakers John Purdy and James Ruppert
5:30 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote speaker Patricia Penn Hilden
8 p.m. EMU Ballroom — Keynote speaker Wendy Rose

Saturday, May 17:

8 a.m. Gerlinger Lounge and 337 Gilbert Hall — Concurrent panel discussions
10 a.m. Gerlinger Alumni Lounge, 337 Gilbert Hall, and 338 Gilbert Hall — Concurrent panel discussions
1 p.m. Gerlinger Alumni Lounge — Keynote speaker Gerald Vizenor
2:30 p.m. Gerlinger Alumni Lounge — Keynote speaker Robert Proudfoot
4 p.m. Gerlinger Alumni Lounge — Keynote speaker Joy Harjo
8 p.m. 220 Gerlinger — Keynote Speaker N. Scott Momaday

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