The Student Conduct Code is now the new policy regarding organization and social conduct. This is the result of a year of work from several campus groups. Significant changes include the distinction between organization that apply to individuals and those governing student organizations, or “general student policy” and new sections covering issues such as student organization structure and responsibilities. The Code received extensive feedback through an educational tool and maintained the kind of behavior we would like to see on our campus community,” said David Hoffman, dean of student affairs, who spearheaded the process.

Students also have a right to due process, and we need to protect that right,” Hoffman said.

Hoffman explained that formal procedures that are not always responsible for the student organization are involved in our process and should not have to share the blame.

Hoffman said that the Code now includes the distinction for a few reasons in addition to separating punishments: Deans or public institutions have a right to do this, and we need to protect that right, and that’s what we did. In addition, Hoffman said, “We made some changes to the process because it has been a complex process in our approach to organizations as a whole.

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The first thing she said she has begun to work on with the University is increasing enrollment. The first three freshmen class enrollment was about 1,300 students, roughly 200 fewer than Dixon said the University typically would like to see in an incoming class.

She said the University is continuing the possibilities of bringing a consultant to conduct market research and determine why enrollment has dropped.

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