Noteworthy Clarifications/Changes/Additions for 2018-2019 to
The Duke Community Standard in Practice: A Guide for Undergraduates

- **Academic Dishonesty** – Updated definition of plagiarism and provided specific examples.

- **Alcohol Policy** – Updated Health & Safety Intervention clause: “Formal disciplinary action for a violation of the alcohol policy will not be taken against students for whom medical assistance is sought, or against those who seek medical assistance for themselves or others, provided that the student/group has not violated other university policies that warrant formal disciplinary action.”

- **Drugs & Drug Paraphernalia** – Added the NC Toxic Vapor Act as a point of reference (includes inhaling fumes for purposes of causing intoxication).

- **Student Sexual Misconduct Policy** –
  - Clarified that the disciplinary process is available as an option until a respondent completes the Duke degree for which the respondent is progressing toward at the time of the alleged behavior.
  - Clarified the role of the investigator.
  - Added the option for alternative/informal resolution at the discretion of the Office of Student Conduct and with consent of the complainant and respondent.
  - Updated Sanctions language as follows: “In determining (a) sanction(s), the hearing body will consider whether the nature of the conduct at issue warrants removal from the university, either permanent (expulsion) or temporary (suspension).
  - Updated composition of hearing panel and appellate panel (removed reference to representative from complainant’s/respondent’s school).

- **Types of Resolution**—Added that staff in the Office of Student Conduct may choose to utilize an alternative resolution process to resolve issues of student behavior.

- **Disciplinary Records/Student Status**—Modified record retention policy: “Individual disciplinary records are kept on file until a student graduates or eight years from the date of the student’s matriculation (whichever occurs first), except in instances in which a student is suspended or expelled, in which case disciplinary records are kept indefinitely.”
- Administrative Action Policy—Updated procedures; listed *Interim Measures* as a distinct component of the disciplinary process.