The Office of the Dean of Students will accept applications on an ongoing basis. *Early submission is desired.* Please submit to [tjulian@oberlin.edu](mailto:tjulian@oberlin.edu).

Only students enrolled and studying on Oberlin’s Campus this semester are eligible for these positions.

**General Information**

Name: ___________________________ ID#: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Anticipated graduation date (month/year): ___________________________

Major: ___________________________

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*I would be interested in serving on the:*

____ Judicial Board  ____ Community Board  (You may check both; Descriptions attached)

Please complete the following prompts and submit with your final application via e-mail to [tjulian@oberlin.edu](mailto:tjulian@oberlin.edu).

1. What is your favorite part about the Oberlin Community?

2. Why are you interested being a board member?

3. Explain how you would go about making ethical decisions as a board member.

4. Are you in good standing with the conduct office and with academics?

5. How will this job help with your future career endeavors?

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I have adhered to the honor code in the completion of this application.

Student Signature: ___________________________________________ Date: ______________

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Once applications are reviewed, selections will be made for interviews. You will be contacted to arrange an interview time. Thank you for your interest in our conduct process!

*All submissions and questions should be directed to:*

*Thom Julian (Director of Student Conduct and Community Standards)*

*Office of the Dean of Students*

*(440) 775-8788*

*[tjulian@oberlin.edu](mailto:tjulian@oberlin.edu)*
BOARD MEMBER DESCRIPTION

Summary:
A member of the Oberlin College hearing boards is a person who is concerned with the rights and duties of students attending Oberlin College. In order to preserve conduct standards on campus, (s)he will be a member of a group that hears information concerning alleged violations of the Code of Conduct. The appropriate board/council will make decisions regarding responsibility for code violations, and apply sanctions appropriate for students found responsible for such violations. Through these and other functions enumerated below, board members will be promoters of the campus ethics embodied in the Rules and Regulations.

Duties:

1. Attends all hearings (as assigned based on availability).
2. Attends training.
3. Becomes familiar with College regulations and policies.
4. Participates in Board hearings by:
   a. displaying questioning skills (when needed) to help determine what occurred, who bears responsibility, and how the College should respond;
   b. displaying good judgment and decision-making skills;
   c. displaying the ability to work within a group to reach a consensus.
5. Observes strict confidentiality regarding all details of Board matters, including the content of hearings.
6. Strives to preserve the rights and responsibilities of Oberlin College students.
7. Maintains objectivity at all times and recuse oneself from a hearing if one cannot be fair or impartial, or if one would reasonably be perceived to be biased.

JUDICIAL BOARD

Membership
A. Fifteen students will be appointed by the Student Senate to serve as members. Appointments will be made in the spring semester for the upcoming year and as vacancies arise. If fewer than five Judicial Board members will be on campus and available during the summer and winter term, the Student Senate will appoint interim members before the end of the preceding semester.

B. Members shall be appointed for a two-year term, and may be reappointed.

C. Judicial Board sanctions at the level of suspension or dismissal must be approved by the Community Board.

COMMUNITY BOARD

Membership
A. Nine faculty members (appointed by the Nominating Committee of the General Faculty) and six students (appointed by Student Senate) shall constitute the Community Board. Two students and two faculty members, plus the chairperson, will constitute a panel. The Board is authorized to review
appeals of judicial cases upon request and will authorize Judicial Board sanctions at the level of suspension or above.

B. One of the three faculty members shall be appointed as Chair at the beginning of the meeting.

C. Should it become necessary, student members of the Community Board may be used for Judicial Board panels, and Judicial Board members may be used as student members of Community Board, as long as the membership of hearing and appeal panels for a single case does not overlap.

Responsibilities

A. The Community Board will hear cases assigned to it by the Judicial Coordinator.

B. The Community Board reviews appeals of Judicial Board decisions and determines if a new hearing shall be granted. Additionally the Community Board may determine that the original sanction should be altered or set aside.

C. The Community Board will be the Board of original jurisdiction for cases judged by the Judicial Coordinator to involve a) obstruction or disruption of the essential operations of the College or b) non-academic disputes between faculty members and students. In addition, a Judicial Coordinator may elect to assign Community Board as the board of original jurisdiction for cases that he or she believes could result in a sanction of suspension or dismissal. This assignment may be made for incidents that follow multiple previous violations of college policies; allegations of violent behavior; illegal behavior such as drug possession, use, and/or sales; arson; weapons possession; or other acts that pose a credible threat to the individual or the community.

(Approved effective immediately by General Faculty in February 21, 2007.)