



Policy Name:	Employee Grievance Procedures	Policy Number:	2026-10
Associated Forms:	Online Grievance Form		
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I. Policy Statement

A grievance shall be defined as a dispute concerning the application or interpretation of a specific provision of University Policy or Procedure. These grievance procedures apply to all full-time and part-time employees who are nonunion members. In the event that a non-union employee has a grievance, it shall be adjudicated according to the below grievance procedures. Note that any employee (regardless of whether they are covered under this Policy, or by a Collective Bargaining Agreement) may contact the Office of Human Resources regarding issues encountered in the workplace. Employees subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement should follow the grievance procedures outlined in those documents.

II. Grievance Procedures

A. Workplace Grievances: Eligible employees who have issues or concerns with the workplace, or believe a University policy has been violated, may file a grievance online.

Step 1

Within five (5) working days after the event giving rise to the grievance, an aggrieved eligible employee shall discuss the matter with their supervisor, who shall attempt to satisfactorily resolve the matter. Any settlement or resolution reached at Step 1 is not precedential.

Step 2

Within ten (10) working days after the event giving rise to the grievance, if no settlement has been reached at Step 1, the eligible staff member may file a grievance via the online form or shall discuss the matter directly with their area vice president or dean/director of libraries. If the form is submitted online, it will be shared with the area vice president or dean/director of libraries, who in turn will meet with the employee.

Step 3

Within thirty (30) days after the event giving rise to the grievance, if no settlement has been reached at Step 1 or Step 2, the eligible staff member may submit a written grievance to the Vice President of Human Resources or their designee via the online grievance form. The written grievance shall contain the following:

- Detailed facts upon which the grievance is based, including but not limited to:
 - the event;
 - the date of the event; and
 - the aggrieved employee or employees.
- References to the specific provision(s) of a University policy or procedure alleged to have been violated.

- The remedy sought.
- The printed name and signature of the eligible staff member filing the grievance.
- The date that the grievance is filed at Step 3.

The Vice President of Human Resources or their designee shall provide a response to the grievance within five (5) working days after the grievance is filed at Step 3. Their decision on the matter is final.

B. Employees who have been Disciplined or Terminated

Eligible employees who have been disciplined or terminated from employment in connection with disciplinary action may submit a grievance online. The grievance will go straight to Step 3. After Step 3, if a grievant has been terminated from the University and it has been upheld by the Vice President for Human Resources, the employee may appeal the matter to the President of the University, whose decision on the matter is final.

III. Extension of Deadlines

The deadlines set out in each step of the following grievance procedure may be extended by mutual agreement of the Parties (for example, to allow for additional time to investigate or negotiate a resolution to a grievance). Any request to extend a deadline must be made before the deadline has passed. Any agreement to extend a deadline or to permit an untimely extension request or grievance, shall not be precedential.