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Dear Chancellor Cantor,

The CCG recommends the following addition to item 2D of the Statement on Individual Rights, in the Code:

CG 01.05

D. Orderly Conduct of Classes

The ~~professor~~ instructor is in charge of the orderly conduct of the class and may exclude for the remainder of that class period a student or a visitor who does not comply with a reasonable request in this regard. When the disruption is repeated or so egregious as to violate other conduct regulations, the instructor, after consultation with the department head or designee and the Executive Director of the Senate Committee on Student Discipline, may exclude the student from the class until such time as the disciplinary matter has been adjudicated.

We also recommend replacing the term "professor" with "instructor" in the preamble of item 2, and modifying 2C to read, "...instructors acquire in the course of their work as teachers...."

We consider this clarification necessary because it is not clear what the boundaries are of an instructor's right to control his or her classroom, and specifically when an expulsion for a day might legitimately be extended to expulsion from the class for a longer period of time, or permanently. The wording change from "professor" to "instructor" is merely a recognition that other teaching staff might encounter these same sorts of problems.

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