Section II: Cooperation with Law Enforcement Authorities

The University cooperates fully with law enforcement authorities and violations of the Code that are also violations of federal or local law may be referred to the appropriate non-University authority. Proceedings under the Code may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings off-campus at the discretion of the Dean for Special Student Services. Determinations made or sanctions imposed under the Code shall not be subject to change because criminal charges arising out of the same facts as a result of the violation of University rules were dismissed, reduced, or resolved in favor of or against the criminal law defendant.

The Howard University Police Department (HUPD) works closely with area law enforcement agencies, particularly the Washington, DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). HUPD officers have full powers of arrest, search, and seizure on all University-owned and operated property and are usually the first to respond to calls for police services on campus. However, complainants may request that MPD respond to any reported offense or incident that may violate the law.