

Honor Council Adviser (from the St. Olaf College Faculty Manual)

The Faculty Adviser to the Honor Council assists the members of the Council in learning their duties and in carrying them out in accordance with the constitution of the honor system . The adviser also serves as a liaison between the faculty and the Council. Specifically, the adviser should attend the majority of cases being tried by the Council to ensure that they are conducted in a fair, consistent, and thorough manner. In the process of trying cases, the adviser may ask questions of the persons appearing before the Council, may participate in the deliberations of the members of the Council, and may, most importantly, clarify issues and comment on the appropriateness of given procedures. But when it comes to making decisions, the adviser may not vote, nor attempt to coerce the decisions taken by the Council members. The adviser must also encourage the president of the Council, through due consultation, to make sure that elections be held in the proper time and manner to provide members to the Council and leadership within the Council. The adviser must stand ready to advise Council members on any substantive or procedural question at any time, or to respond to questions or concerns the faculty may raise about the functioning of the Council. The Honor Council Adviser is elected by the Faculty for a three-year term of office.