## 2018 Complaints Against URI Police

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### Notes

18-1-IA  
The student complainant felt that an officer has “disrespected” him when conducting an investigation of suspicious activity. The officers found marijuana and a loaded handgun in a vehicle that had been occupied by the complainant and others. After a thorough investigation, it was found that the officer’s actions fell within policy and proper procedures.

18-2-IA  
A student felt that he was the victim of racial bias during an interaction with a single URI police officer who suspected that he and two of his friends had been smoking marijuana outside a dorm. One of his friends was found to be in possession of a small amount of marijuana but the complainant was the only one who was handcuffed during the incident and was the only one given a trespass notice. After a thorough investigation it was determined that there was no proof of racial bias but the officer was counseled and had retraining in dealing with similar situations.

18-3-IA  
A supervisor reported that a URI Police Officer had called in sick for his shift in order to attend and coach a high school football game. The investigation concluded that the officer had abused sick leave. He received disciplinary action and had to use a vacation day instead of the sick day.
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