



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

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Senate

From: Michelle DeMars, Chair 2020-2021 Academic Appeals Committee

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Subject: 2020-2021 Academic Year Annual Report of the Academic Appeals Committee

Thank you to all who served on the committee during this very different 2020-2021 academic year. The following are the committee's findings and recommendations.

The committee reviewed 795 appeals during the 2020-2021 year, which was approximately an 11% decrease from the previous year (893). As in previous years, the two largest appeal categories were Reinstatement appeals (38%) and Disqualification appeals (24%) which combined makes up over half of the appeals reviewed. GE substitution (23%) makes up close to a quarter of the remaining appeals which is a marked increase from recent years. The remaining appeals comprised of the following categories: Withdrawals/Records Problems (4%), Repeat/Delete (4%), Graduation Requirement (4%), GE Waiver (2%), and Academic Renewal (2%).

Regarding disqualification appeals for 2020-2021, 194 students appealed their disqualification, and many were successful as 129, approximately 66%, were granted an additional term of probation. Students who are denied this path are tasked with applying for reinstatement in a future term, the AA committee reviewed 300 appeals in this category and 34% of those were granted.

The busiest month for appeals was January, when a sub-committee reviewed reinstatement/disqualification appeals. Another detail of note is that the lower numbers reflected this year compared to last year could be related to having not disqualified students Spring 2020 and therefore not needing to review disqualification appeals, noted in July statistics. The month with the fewest appeals was July, with only 9 appeals. An element that should be noted is that of the total GE substitutions, approximately 60 were related to requests for Upper Division courses to meet Lower Division requirements under the new GE pattern.

Figure 1: Breakdown of Appeals by Category

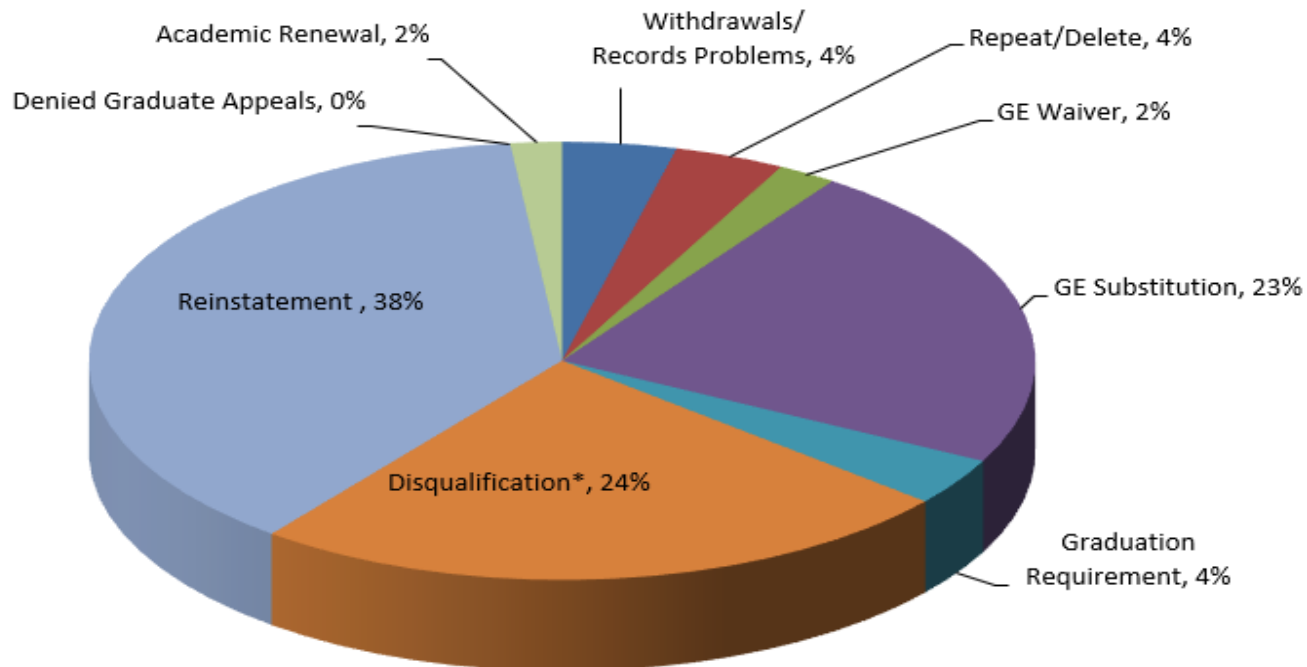


Table 1: Total appeals by category

Grand Totals	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total	Percentages	
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	22	9	0	31	Withdrawals/ Records Problems	4%
Repeat/Delete	14	9	7	30	Repeat/Delete	4%
GE Waiver	12	3	1	16	GE Waiver	2%
GE Substitution	159	6	17	182	GE Substitution	23%
Graduation Requirement	21	4	3	28	Graduation Requirement	4%
Disqualification*	129	65	0	194	Disqualification*	24%
Reinstatement	103	90	107	300	Reinstatement	38%
Denied Graduate Appeals	0	0	0	0	Denied Graduate Appeals	0%
Academic Renewal	0	14	0	14	Academic Renewal	2%
Total	460	200	135	795	Total	100%

*Disqualification appeals are reviewed after Fall and Spring terms by a Sub-Committee of the Academic Appeals Committee

Table 2: Total appeals by month

JULY 2020				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems				0
Repeat/Delete	2	1		3
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution	3			3
Graduation Requirement	2			2
Disqualification** (Spring 2020)	0	0		0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		1		1
TOTAL	7	2	0	9
AUGUST 2020				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems				0
Repeat/Delete			6	6
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution			2	2
Graduation Requirement				0
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement (Fall 2020)	35	34	65	134
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal				0
TOTAL	35	34	73	142
SEPTEMBER 2020				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	1			1
Repeat/Delete	1	2	1	4
GE Waiver	2			2
GE Substitution	18		2	20
Graduation Requirement	4		1	5
Disqualification				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		2		2
TOTAL	26	4	4	34

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**Spring 2020 students were not disqualified (Covid-19 exception) and therefore did not need to appeal

OCTOBER 2020				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	2	2		4
Repeat/Delete				0
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution	6		3	9
Graduation Requirement				0
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		2		2
TOTAL	8	4	3	15
NOVEMBER 2020				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	3			3
Repeat/Delete	1	1		2
GE Waiver			1	1
GE Substitution	21	3	2	26
Graduation Requirement				0
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal				0
TOTAL	25	4	3	32
DECEMBER 2020				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	5	1		6
Repeat/Delete				0
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution	15			15
Graduation Requirement	3			3
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal				0
TOTAL	23	1	0	24

JANUARY 2021				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems		2		2
Repeat/Delete	3			3
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution	14		1	15
Graduation Requirement	1		1	2
Disqualification* (Fall 2020)	129	65		194
Reinstatement (Spring 2021)	68	56	42	166
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		3		3
TOTAL	215	126	44	385
FEBRUARY 2021				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	2			2
Repeat/Delete				0
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution	14		3	17
Graduation Requirement				0
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		1		1
TOTAL	16	1	3	20
MARCH 2021				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	1			1
Repeat/Delete	2	2		4
GE Waiver	2			2
GE Substitution	20			20
Graduation Requirement	3	1		4
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal				0
TOTAL	28	3	0	31

APRIL 2021				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems	8	4		12
Repeat/Delete	1	2		3
GE Waiver	2	1		3
GE Substitution	24	1	1	26
Graduation Requirement	5		1	6
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		1		1
TOTAL	40	9	2	51
MAY 2021				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems				0
Repeat/Delete	2	1		3
GE Waiver	6	2		8
GE Substitution	21	2		23
Graduation Requirement	2	3		5
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal				0
TOTAL	31	8	0	39
JUNE 2021				
	Granted	Denied	Pending/ No Action	Total
Withdrawals/ Records Problems				0
Repeat/Delete	2			2
GE Waiver				0
GE Substitution	3		3	6
Graduation Requirement	1			1
Disqualification*				0
Reinstatement				0
Denied Graduate Appeals				0
Academic Renewal		4		4
TOTAL	6	4	3	13