



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

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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

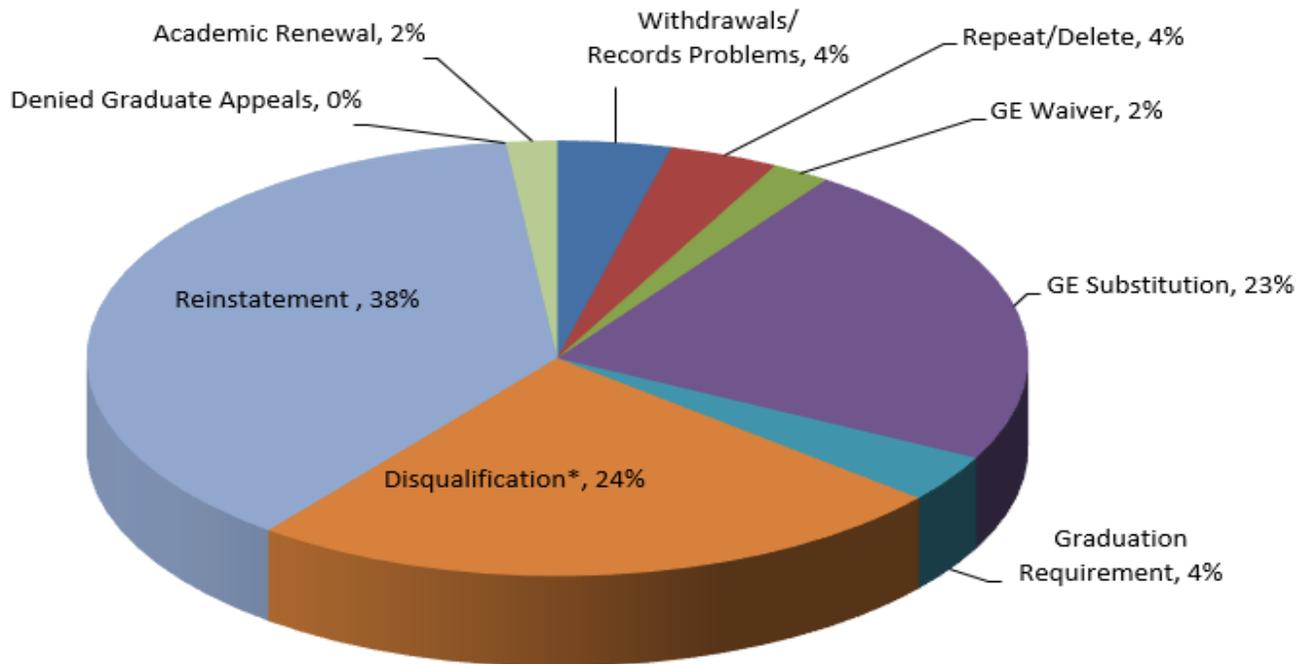


Table 1: Total appeals by category

| 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 |