



Student Financial Aid Appeals and Advisory Committee

I. Introduction

The Student Financial Aid Appeals and Advisory Committee reviews appeals and conducts hearings of appeal for: (1) students who have lost their federal, state, or institutional need-based financial aid due to failure to maintain satisfactory academic progress towards their degree; (2) student athletes whose athletic grants have not been renewed or have been reduced by the Athletic Department; and, (3) student athletes requesting the Committee to overrule the Athletic Department's decision to limit or not release the athlete to receive an athletic grant at another NCAA institution to which the student may wish to transfer. The Committee also advises and recommends policy in matters relating to student financial aid upon request of the Director of Student Financial Aid or the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management.

II. Membership

- A. The Committee is appointed by the President and reports to the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management.
- B. Committee membership shall be comprised of faculty, staff, and students.
- C. The chair and ex-officio members shall be designated by the President. The committee members, other than those with student or ex officio status, shall have staggered three-year appointments.

III. Committee Responsibilities

- A. The Committee shall conduct hearings of appeal for students who have had their federal, state, or institutional aid denied for failure to maintain satisfactory academic progress as prescribed by those agencies. The Committee shall have the sole authority to determine whether there are grounds to grant an exception to the requirement that the student maintain academic progress in order to continue to receive financial aid. The determination of the Committee is final and there are no further appeals available.
- B. The Committee shall conduct requested hearings by student athletes whose athletic grants have not been renewed or have been reduced by the Athletic Department. This authority and responsibility is granted to the Committee by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). The Committee shall have sole authority to make an exception to the Athletic Department's decision by renewing the athletic grant or by restoring the worth of the athletic grant to its original sum of the prior year. The determination of the Committee is final and there are no further appeals available.

- C. The Committee shall conduct all appeals requested by student athletes to overrule the Athletic Department's decision to limit or not release the athlete to receive an athletic grant at another NCAA institution to which the student may wish to transfer. This authority and responsibility is granted to the Committee by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). The committee shall have the sole authority to deny or approve such an appeal. The determination of the Committee is final and there are no further appeals available.

IV. Reports

The Committee is responsible for providing an annual report and, on request, special reports to the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management.

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