

West Virginia State University
Academic Appeals Committee
Faculty Senate Report
Friday March 1, 2018

The Academic Appeals Committee has met twice (2) in the 2017-2018 academic year. Two students formally appealed grades during this period. The following is a synopsis of these meetings.

Committee Members

Michael Kane, Chair
Abainesh Mitiku, Member
Kimberly Cobb, Member

Alternates

Billie Hauser
Matthew Carrol

Students

Senaia Harris (resigned Aug 2017)
Victoria Ramey
Daniel Holcombe

Case Summaries

Case# 2017-2018-1

August 9th, 2017

College/ Course	Awarded Grade	Synopsis	Committee Action
POSC399	F	Student alleged that her pregnancy led to arrangements for an "Incomplete" in the course. Professor granted the incomplete, but alleged the stipulations to make up the work was never met.	Committee upheld the grade of F. Student did not demonstrate appropriate reasons to change the grade to a higher score. Professor shown student did not meet prearranged stipulations.

Case# 2017-2018-2**February 13th, 2018**

College/ Course	Awarded Grade	Synopsis	Committee Action
GED 200	C	Student alleged professor treated her unfairly and rudely; and unfairly graded other students by increasing their scores, and not hers. Professor responded with descriptions and justifications of grade increases for some students, but not all.	Committee recommended grade be reconsidered for higher score (B). There was some evidence presented supporting the notion of unfair treatment of the student which affected her grade.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for clarifications or concerns. I thank the Faculty Senate for their attention to these matters.

With warm regards, I am



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