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## Academic Standing Committee

### Annual Report 2007-2008

The Academic Standing Committee (ASC) is charged with implementing Academic Regulation #22 (AR 22) and hearing students who are seeking reinstatement to the University by exception to AR 22.

Over the course of the 2007-08 academic year, 474 undergraduates were suspended from the University for academic reasons, in accordance with AR 22. This compares to 441 undergraduates suspended in the 2006-07 academic year. 26 students were suspended at the end of Summer Term 2007; 144 students were suspended at the end of Fall Term 2007; 83 students were suspended at the end of Winter Term 2008; and 221 students were suspended at the end of Spring Term 2008.

### Reinstatement by Exception

The Registrar's Office schedules 30 minute meetings for students requesting reinstatement by exception and who have submitted all of the required paperwork. The ASC met with 78 students for interviews as part of their requests for reinstatement by exception (compared to 91 interviews during 2006-2007). Of these students, 56 were reinstated to the University and 21 were denied reinstatement. It should be noted that not all requests for exception in 2007-2008 were those students who were suspended in that year. For example, each term the committee may see students wishing to seek exception that were suspended in prior years. During 2007-08 two decisions of the ASC were appealed to the Provost's Office, both students were reinstated.

### Total Reinstatements

A total of 196 students were reinstated to the University during 2007-2008. The breakdown for these reinstatements is as follows:

Approved Reinstatement by Exception by the ASC petitions:	56
Reinstatement by Appeal of ASC decision:	2
Reinstatement based on 2-Year absence:	87
Reinstatement based on successfully completing 24 credits at CC:	49
Reinstatement by senior exception:	2

Based on meeting scheduling issues faced by the ASC in past years, committee meetings were scheduled for the entire year and notices of meetings sent out to college advisors and other student support units. The meeting schedule and processes are also posted on the Faculty Senate web site (under ASC) and on the Registrars' web site. In addition, notices regarding student athletes on academic warning and probation are sent each term to the Student Athlete Academic Services Office and appropriate advising offices. Deadlines were also determined for when students must submit their paperwork to the Registrars' Office to meet with the ASC. The ASC will see all students who meet the deadline for this paperwork. This process assures students who have completed the paperwork by the appropriate deadline of meeting with the committee in a timely manner.

During the upcoming academic year the ASC seeks to pursue, in close collaboration with the Registrar's Office, assessment of committee effectiveness as measured by second suspension rate for students reinstated via exception to AR 22. The committee had hoped to do some assessment over the course of this school year, but was unable to do so due to high turnover (3 different staff members) in the Associate Registrar position.

The Academic Standing Committee would like to thank all of the staff of the Registrar's Office, and especially Tom Watts, Mary Rhodes, Heather Chermak, and Chris Crabtree for their invaluable assistance with the work

of the ASC. I would also like to thank the following committee members for their outstanding commitment to the work of the ASC: Lee Ann Baker, Jo Alexander, Steve Rubert, Urmila Mali, Janet Lee, Dodi Reesman, and Todd Palmer.

*Submitted by: David Craig, Academic Standing Committee Chair*

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