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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 2008-09 academic year, 548 undergraduates were suspended from the University for academic reasons, in accordance with AR 22. This compares to 474 undergraduates suspended in the 2007-08 academic year. 28 students were suspended at the end of Summer Term 2008; 146 students were suspended at the end of Fall Term 2008; 115 students were suspended at the end of Winter Term 2009; 259 students were suspended at the end of Spring Term 2009.

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 76 students for interviews as part of their requests for reinstatement by exception (compared to 78 interviews during 2007-2008). Of these students, 55 were reinstated to the University and 17 were denied reinstatement. It should be noted that not all requests for exception in 2008-2009 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 2008-09 one decision of the ASC was appealed to the Provost's Office

Total Reinstatements

A total of 213 students were reinstated to the University during 2008-2009. The breakdown for these reinstatements is as follows:

Approved Reinstatement by Exception by the ASC petitions:	52
Reinstatement by Appeal of ASC decision:	0
Reinstatement based on 2-Year absence:	91
Reinstatement based on successfully completing 24 credits at CC:	64
Reinstatement by senior exception:	5

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.

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