



MEMORANDUM

To: Faculty Council of October 18, 2013

From: Professor Evan Bentz
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Date: September 27, 2013

Re: **Annual Report of the Academic Appeals Board to Faculty Council
for the Period of September 2012 to September 2013**

Academic Appeals Board Responsibilities

To hear appeals of undergraduate students against decisions of the Standing Committees of Council relating to petitions for exemptions from the application of academic regulations or standards and to make rulings on such appeals.

The Academic Appeals Board (AAB) shall report annually to Council at the regular Fall meeting indicating the number of appeals brought in the previous year and the disposition of those appeals. No information identifying appellants may be included in the Annual Report.

Summary of Appeals

Since its last report, the Board has considered twenty five appeals on decisions from the Committee on Examinations; eleven appeals to petitions for consideration on final examinations; and fourteen appeals to petitions for special consideration against Faculty policies.

In eleven appeals, the AAB found cause to intervene: granting three deferred exams, two assessed final grades, four retroactive withdrawals from one or all courses in a session, one adjustment to a student's probationary status and one aegrotat standing in a course. The AAB found no grounds to intervene in the remaining fourteen appeals and rendered a decision of "no action."

Respectfully submitted,

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