



**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**  
**FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE & ENGINEERING**

**Report No: #3240**

**To: Faculty Council**

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**Chair, Academic Appeals Board**

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**Item: Annual Report of the Academic Appeals Board: June 2009 to November 2009**

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**The 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 Appeals Board 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 the "Ombuds Committee" became "The Academic Appeals Board" on June 1, 2009, the Board (AAB) has considered 19 appeals on decisions from the Committee on Examinations; nine appeals to petitions for consideration on final examinations and ten appeals to petitions for consideration for special consideration against Faculty policies.

In six appeals, the AAB found cause to intervene: granting two assessed final grades, two probationary status adjustments and granting retroactive withdrawal from a session for two students. The AAB found no grounds to intervene in the remaining 13 appeals and rendered a decision of "no action."

Respectfully submitted,

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