Academic Complaints

Academic Grievance Procedure

Relationships between a faculty member and students within a given academic course are tailored in such fashion to be purposely self-contained. They are insular in nature, with course expectations and student outcomes stated and content and procedures described within a course syllabus, making the academic experiences somewhat unique to that specific course offering. Every effort is made to keep this relationship intact and free from external influence. On occasion, disagreement does arise between the faculty member and the student over a final grade received in the course. When such a circumstance does occur, the final grade in question may be reviewed to determine if a change in status is warranted.

Other circumstances that impact the relationship between a faculty member and a student enrolled in the course, such as the grading of an individual assignment, charges of plagiarism or cheating, or matters of attendance, to name a few, may arise. Such matters should be dealt with by the faculty member with the student. If necessary, the Department Chairperson/Department Head may be approached to mediate the outcome of the matter in question. If the issue is not resolved, the matter may be referred to the Associate Vice Presidents for Liberal Arts or Health Sciences for a final determination.