

Appeals are permitted only on the following grounds. Appeals may be based any one or all of three of the following criteria:

1. Bias; 2. New Information; 3. Procedural Error

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

Bias is a substantiated prejudice in favor of or against one party or position, that materially impacted the fairness of the decision-making process and/or outcome. A generalized concern about the personal or professional backgrounds, viewpoints, beliefs, or interests of a decision-maker does not constitute bias under this policy.

New Information is evidence that is new, material, and documentable, that was not available at the time of the decision rendered and that would likely alter the outcome. Information that was available to the student but not presented does not qualify as new information.

Procedural Error is deficiency or omission in the hearing process or procedure that materially impacted the fairness of the decision-making process and/or outcome. A deviation from the designated hearing process or procedure will not sustain an appeal unless it resulted in a significant and demonstrable impact on the outcome.



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