

Academic Affairs Committee, Indiana University South Bend
Annual report for the Academic Year 2017-18
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During the academic year 2017-18 the Academic Affairs Committee discussed forty-eight student-initiated grade appeals from twenty-six students and made recommendations for those appeals to the office of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

On addition to that, the committee voted to send to the Academic Senate for discussion a recommendation on the Common Calendar. It also voted a minor specification to the rules for grade appeals, allowing for the extension of the three-year limit for grade appeals under extraordinary circumstances. The committee also instructed the Registrar Office to enforce the rule that all appeals should contain a letter of the instructor (or higher academic level) supporting the appeal. Apparently, although it had been approved by the Academic Senate on 2/24/1995, this rule had not been added to the Academic Bulletin and, as a result, it had been irregularly applied. We asked the bulleting editors to correct this error in future editions.

Note that the year has not been closed yet, and there will additional grade appeals after grades for the semester are posted by faculty. Thirteen grade appeals from seven students, belonging to the year 2016-17, were discussed by the previous committee in May 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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