

SENATE COMMITTEE ADMISSION APPEALS

Terms of Reference:

- 1. The Committee shall:
 - a. establish Panels to hear appeals as set out in the related Procedures;
 - b. determine a Chair for each Panel of the Senate Committee on Admission Appeals;
 - c. review this Policy and related Procedures periodically and, if necessary, recommend changes.
- 2. A Panel of the Committee shall hear an appeal by an Appellant against:
 - a. decisions of Faculty/School/College admission selection committees, and these only when the Appellant has sought reconsideration by the admission selection
- 3. committee as set out in the Procedures,
 - a. administrative decisions which affect the admission process;
 - b. decisions of Faculties/Schools/Colleges or Admissions Office personnel regarding eligibility requirements;
 - c. decisions of Faculties/Colleges/Schools regarding granting of transfer of credit at the point of admission and the possible granting of advance standing.
- 4. In a dispute over the appropriate avenue of appeal at either the Faculty/School/College or University level, the President shall decide where jurisdiction lies.
- 5. To ensure that admission decisions are made by those within the University who have the academic or professional expertise in the discipline concerned, the Panel should be careful
- 6. not to substitute its own academic judgment or standards for those in the discipline concerned.
- 7. The Committee shall form a Panel to hear an appeal from the same Appellant against the same decision only once.
- 8. The decision of a Panel is final and binding, without further right of appeal.

Composition:

- 1. The composition of the Committee shall be:
 - a. one member holding academic appointment in the University appointed as Chair of the Committee for a three year term by the Senate Executive Committee;
 - b. one member holding academic appointment in the University appointed as Vice-Chair of the Committee for a three year term by the Senate Executive Committee. The
- 2. Vice-Chair shall not be from the same Faculty/School/College as the Chair. The Chair and Vice-Chair shall not be members of a Faculty/School/College admission selection
- 3. committee:
 - a. eight members with broad representation across Faculties/Schools/Colleges holding academic appointments in the University, nominated by the Senate Committee on
- 4. Nominations and appointed by Senate;
 - a. the President of UMSU (or designate);
 - b. two Students nominated by the Senate Committee on Nominations and appointed by Senate;
 - c. the Deputy Registrar and Director of Admissions (ex-officio) (non-voting).
- 5. Committee members will not be on a Panel that is hearing an appeal from their own Faculty/School/College, with the understanding that a member of a professional college in the
- 6. Faculty of Health Sciences may hear an appeal from one of the other professional colleges.