

**Instructions for Appeals:** The Counseling Center has prepared these guidelines to help you complete your appeal. We know this can be a challenging process and encourage you to take your time to prepare a strong case for your appeal. Following these instructions will make this process easier and SAVE YOU TIME.

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR PREPARING YOUR APPEAL

*For Personal Statement:* A Personal Statement should include:

- What happened in your life during the semester(s) that affected your grades/attendance?
- How have these circumstances changed or improved so that they will no longer affect your studies?
- What will you do differently to improve your academics in the future? What resources are you going to use?

*Examples include personal or immediate family illness (medical, psychological), legal, employment changes, death of an immediate family member, academic factors, etc.* 

*For Documents: DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED* and is evidence/proof of life circumstance(s) beyond your control that you described in your personal statement. Examples include (but are not limited to):

- a) healthcare provider statements, proof of illness/injury, accident reports, death certificate, obituary, legal notices, proof of employment-related issues (e.g., letter from employer, pay stubs showing changes in hours), letters from community/religious leaders who know your situation.
- b) Letters that are submitted as documentation should be official, on letterhead/stationery, and have a signature.
- c) Document dates should match the time period described in your personal statement.

*Meeting with Counselor:* This is an opportunity to discuss issues related to your academic success. To best use this time, come prepared with your completed appeal form, your statement, and copies of your documents.

## STEPS FOR CAS APPEALS: Dismissal, Withdrawal after Deadline, or Failing Grades

If you have been academically dismissed from BMCC OR are Withdrawing from a class after the Deadline OR Appealing a failing grade:

Step 1: Complete the CAS form below. Save it as a pdf (instructions HERE)

**Step 2**: Write a personal statement and gather documentation (see "Helpful Hints" above). Save your personal statement and supporting documentation as a PDF file (link above)

Step 3: When you have completed Steps 1-2, please upload the appeal form, your statement and supporting documents here: BMCC Appeal. You will be given an appointment to meet with a counselor.
Step 4: After meeting with a counselor and you have a fully-completed appeal, submit your appeal by emailing it to registrar@bmcc.cuny.edu

**NOTE:** Your appeal is **not submitted until you,** the student, email the completed appeal to the Registrar.

\*When you click on the link you will be asked to sign in to Microsoft Office 356 using your CUNYfirst login (e.g firstname.lastname##00@login.cuny.edu). Please have your CUNYfirst login information (username and password) ready\*

Once the Committee on Academic Standing (CAS) makes their decision, the Registrar's office will notify you by email. Incomplete appeals will not be considered by the CAS. No appeal will be processed without a student and counselor signature.



Committee Chair Signature

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Address (include apartment num	ber if applicable) City	State	Zip
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EASON FOR THE APPEAL:			
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Review of earned grade(s) - (	F, FIN, R, U, or <b>WU (Prior to Fall 2021</b>	)). Please list courses & se	mester(s).
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## **INSTRUCTOR'S SUPPLEMENT TO APPEAL**

Student's Last Name

Student's First Name

Student's 8-digit CUNYfirst ID or 9-digit SSN

The above mentioned student is appealing to the Committee on Academic Standing for a Withdrawal after the deadline. The student has presented reasons (and has produced documentation) to support this request. Please be aware that the grade of "W" will not be considered by the Committee on Academic Standing without your approval. On the other hand, even if you agree to a "W" the Committee must still decide whether a "W" is warranted.

- A. Please indicate in the appropriate column whether or not you agree that the student should receive a grade of "W".
- B. It would be very helpful to the Committee on Academic Standing if you add comments/reasons in support of your decision and provide the student's last date of attendance.
- C. If Chair or Deputy Chair is signing in lieu of the instructor, please indicate the reason in the comments/reasons section.

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