



## **NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY**

### **SEC. II- GRADUATE: APPEAL 2.0**

### **GRADUATE ADMISSIONS APPEALS**

#### **UNIT POLICY—ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

An applicant to any graduate program who has been denied admission may appeal the University's decision but only on the grounds that the denial was based on a violation of the University's published admission policy or that it resulted from a material procedural error in the admissions process. The appeal must be in writing, must set forth with specificity the grounds for the appeal, and must be submitted to the Dean of the Graduate School within 30 days after the appellant has received the letter communicating the University's decision.

Upon receipt of the appeal, the Graduate School Dean will consider the recommendations of the Admissions Committee of the Graduate Council and will communicate his or her decision in writing to the applicant-appellant within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the appeal. The Dean may consult the appropriate program coordinator, department chair and/or academic school/college Dean in arriving at a conclusion. If the Graduate School Dean's decision is in favor of the applicant, the applicant will be admitted to the next available term. After hearing the Dean's decision, the applicant may appeal to the university Provost within two weeks of receiving the decision.

Appeals must be received prior to the term for which the applicant is seeking admission. If there is insufficient time to complete the appeal process before the beginning of the term for which the applicant seeks admission, the Dean of the Graduate School may decline to review the appeal.

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