

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

REPORT NUMBER 16 OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC APPEALS

July 29th, 1975

To the Governing Council,
University of Toronto.

Your Subcommittee reports that it held a meeting on Tuesday, July 29th, 1975, at 3:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Faculty of Pharmacy, at which the following were present:

Professor J.E. Dunlop (In the Chair)
Professor J.M. Bliss
Mr. J.E. Creelman
Dr. A.H. Funt

Mrs. Owen Russell
Professor J.A. Sawyer
Miss Marie Salter (Secretary)

In Attendance

Professor J.J. Chew,
Department of Anthropology,
Faculty of Arts & Science.

Mr. N.H. Dobbs,
Assistant Registrar,
Scarborough College.

Mr. S.

Professor L. Tarshis,
Chairman,
Division of Social Sciences,
Scarborough College.

Mr. W. and Counsel,
Mr. Robert Frichard,
Campus Legal Assistance Centre.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

THE MEETING WAS HELD IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Mr. S.

Mr. S. a fourth year student at Scarborough College, appealed to have a course in which he had received a mark of 57, ANT 220, removed from his record and to be given credit instead for INI 303, an extra course taken during his second year in which he had achieved a higher mark.

Mr. S. explained that he had written the examination in ANT 220 while under emotional strain caused by serious illness in his family. It was the only course in which he had failed to obtain a grade of B+ or better at this year's examinations.

Mr. S. was asking for special relief that was related to the more common requests for aegrotat standing or late withdrawal. According to academic regulations of Scarborough College and of the University, the petition for this type of relief should be presented before the end of the examination period and should be accompanied by medical evidence. Mr. S. did not present any medical evidence and petitioned long after the close of the examination period. He did not advance any particular reason to the Subcommittee on Academic Appeals for his failure to comply with this regulation.

After consideration of the documentary and oral evidence,

YOUR SUBCOMMITTEE AGREED

THAT the appeal of Mr. S.
against a decision of the Committee on
Standing of Scarborough College be denied.

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2. Mr. W.

Mr. W., a first year student at Scarborough College, appealed a grade of 47 assigned to him in a Geography course, GGRA08F.

Evidence was presented to the Subcommittee showing that the instructor in the course had announced at the beginning of the year that the final mark would be determined in the following manner: 50% on the basis of three papers to be handed in during the term; 50% on the basis of a final examination. It was demonstrated that in accordance with this system and using the lowest numerical grades for the letter grades assigned to Mr. W. term work, his final mark would have been at least 49.5%. Rounding this off to the next number in accordance with the policy of Scarborough College would result in a final mark of 50%.

After consideration of the documentary and oral evidence,

YOUR SUBCOMMITTEE AGREED

THAT the appeal of Mr. W.
against a failing mark in the course
GGRA08F be allowed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman

September 9th, 1975