



22 February 2016

Personal & Confidential

Li
Via email:

Student ID:

Dear Ms Li

I am writing to formally advise you of the outcome of your appeal against the decision of the Faculty Hearing Committee made on 18 January 2017.

1. THE APPEAL OUTCOME

I confirm that the University Hearing Committee meeting held on 15 February 2017 to consider your appeal made the following decision:

- To set aside the sanction appealed against and impose the following sanction to replace the sanction:
 - be awarded a Pass (50) grade for *AFIN310 Issues in Applied Finance*, subject to you receiving enough marks in your final examination**

The Committee noted that the breach of examination rules was proven. Whilst the Committee supported the Faculty Hearing Committee decision, in view of the mitigating circumstances including your mental health and the disproportionate impact of the penalty on you in these circumstances, the Committee determined to vary the penalty.

** I note that the Faculty has confirmed that you received enough marks in your final examination.

2. FURTHER SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE

Should you remain dissatisfied with the process at the conclusion of your appeal options in relation to this disciplinary matter, you may make a *Request for Assistance* to the MQ Student Ombudsman.

The MQ Student Ombudsman provides independent, confidential and impartial review and may consider whether:

- the correct process was followed by the University;
- the process was appropriately transparent; and
- the principles of natural justice were adhered to.

Further information on the services provided by the MQ Student Ombudsman and making a *Request for Assistance* is available by contacting the MQ Student Ombudsman.



- The University provides a range of support services. If you would like free, independent information regarding the appeal outcome including support, assistance and information on how sanctions may impact you (especially if you are a student visa holder), and preparation for, and support during, any meetings with the MQ Student Ombudsman, you may make an appointment with Student Advocacy and Support, part of Campus Wellbeing.

If you are feeling distressed or have other personal concerns you may wish to contact the Counselling Service, also part of Campus Wellbeing. The Counselling Service provides confidential psychological and counselling services to students.

You can contact Campus Wellbeing on the details below. To ensure you obtain the support you need in time, please remember to book an appointment as quickly as possible.

- General information on the misconduct process including the answers to Frequently Asked Questions is available at:
- As a Macquarie University student, you also have access to immediate support and assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by dialling 1800 CARE MQ (1800 2273 67).

For any general questions about the disciplinary appeals process, contact

Yours sincerely

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students & Registrar)

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