Readmission from Academic Suspension

The Committee on Academic Standing (CAS) considers petitions for return to studies at the December and May CAS meetings. Petitions must include:

1) a reflective narrative accounting for the student’s time away that demonstrates awareness of what “went wrong” and why their return will be successful;

2) at least one letter of support from someone who has taught or supervised the student while they were suspended;

3) evidence of sustained involvement in a meaningful, full-time activity for at least six months (course-taking, volunteer work, employment, etc.);

and

4) a detailed course plan with concentration, course selections and academic priorities carefully laid out—and evidence of consultation with your concentration advisor.

Many students on suspension are required by CAS to take courses elsewhere that can be transferred back to Brown upon their return. These students must also submit a Transfer Approval Form and an official transcript of course grades to the Brown Registrar’s office, with copies included with their petitions. Failure to submit any of these documents by the published deadlines may be seen as an indication that the student is not sufficiently focused or organized to engage in a return to full-time academic study. For this reason, the deadlines for readmission petitions are strictly enforced. The deadlines for receipt of petitions for return from academic suspension are Nov. 1st for a January return and May 1st for a September return.

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