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Ms. ██████████

This letter is in response to your grade appeal for the course RSH 720, in the fall 2013 trimester at the Hattiesburg campus. The grade appeal process provides the opportunity for a student to appeal a course grade based upon the following conditions:

1. Miscalculation on the part of the instructor in determining the final course grade,
2. A departure from the standards of evaluation stated in the course syllabus; or,
3. Unfair treatment of the student by the instructor which resulted in the student being evaluated on some other basis than the student's academic performance.

The appeal process allows a student to have an appeal considered at four levels: the instructor, a department chair, coordinator, or dean; an appeals committee; and the Vice President for Academic Affairs. After your appeal was denied at the first three levels, you requested that it advance to my consideration.

Your appeal does not claim any miscalculation, so the first condition is not relevant to this appeal.

I also do not find in your appeal a claim on your part that your performance in the course was evaluated in a way that was contrary to the syllabus or on any basis other than your academic performance.

Ms. ██████████ in your appeal you make a claim of unfair treatment by the instructor which resulted in being evaluated on some other basis than your academic performance. However, I do not find evidence of unfair treatment or any other justification for overturning the grade assigned and must deny your appeal.

I wish you well in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Garry M. Breland
Vice President for Academic Affairs