

Appeals to the Teacher Education Council

Teacher candidates may submit appeals to the Teacher Education Council (TEC) when necessary in order to move forward. Appeals are necessary when candidates do not meet the requirements established by the Teacher Education Council. These appeals are submitted to the chair of the TEC Exceptions Committee for consideration by the entire committee. Appeals have typically fallen into these categories:

- Request to take courses requiring admission to the Teacher Education Program without having obtained passing scores on the Missouri General Education Assessment. (MoGEA)
- Request to take courses requiring admission to the Teacher Education Program without having obtained the required Grade Point Averages.
- Request to take additional courses during the same semester as student teaching.

Appeals must be submitted with support from the teacher candidate’s program. The appeal process is detailed in the UCM EPP Policies and Procedures document and also copied at the end of this document.

Below are data showing the nature and number of appeals received by the Teacher Education Council by academic year. Of note is the decrease in number of appeals received during the fall 2020 and spring 2021 academic year. We believe this is due to the impact of COVID and the need to relax some requirements for admission to the Teacher Education Program and for approval to student teach. Across the three academic years, 74% of appeals were granted as submitted, 23% were granted with additional stipulations, and 3% were denied. There were no challenges to the decisions of the TEC Exceptions Committee during this time period.

	Fall 2019-Spring 2020	Fall 2020-Spring 2021	Fall 2021-Spring 2022
TOTAL APPEALS	25	7	32
MoGEA	2	0	8
GPA	10	2	17
Course during Student Teaching	13	5	6
Other	0	0	1

