



GRADUATE STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN DISMISSED FROM AN ANNENBERG ACADEMIC PROGRAM

A student may appeal in writing to the school director within 30 days of the date of dismissal.

Students should contact Dr. Hector Amaya at hectoram@usc.edu for dismissal from programs offered by the Communication school, including the following:

- Master of Communication Management
- Master of Public Diplomacy
- M.A. in Global Communication
- M.S. in Digital Social Media
- Ph.D. in Communication

Students should contact Gordon Stables at stables@usc.edu for dismissal from programs offered by the Journalism school, including the following:

- M.A. in Public Relations and Advertising
- M.A. in Strategic Public Relations
- M.S. in Journalism
- M.A. in Specialized Journalism
- M.A. in Specialized Journalism (The Arts)

If the student is dissatisfied with the outcome of the appeal, then, within 30 days of the date of the department's or program's decision, she or he may appeal in writing to the dean of the school. All appeals should be directed to the Annenberg Associate Dean for Student Affairs, Vince Gonzales at vince.gonzales@usc.edu. The Associate Dean for Student Affairs will consult with the Annenberg Dean to review the matter personally.

If the second appeal is unsuccessful, then the student may appeal in writing to the Vice Provost for Academic Programs and the USC Graduate School at graduateschool.appeal@usc.edu.

Such an appeal must be received within 6 months after the student has received notice of the outcome of the school's decision. Appeal panel guidelines can be found at the following website: <https://graduateschool.usc.edu/current-students/student-resources/>

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