

MEMO

TO: Senators

FROM: Dr. Yassine El-Hiani, Vice-Chair (Student Affairs)

DATE: September 14th, 2026

RE: **Report on Ratification** of Faculty Academic Integrity Officer
Assessments and Recommended Penalties
Reporting Period April 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

Under the *Faculty Discipline Procedures Concerning Allegations of Academic Offences*, a ratification review meeting is held within 14 calendar days of the Vice-Chair (Student Affairs) receiving a Faculty Academic Integrity Officer (AIO) Assessment and Recommended Penalty which the student has accepted. The Vice-Chair (Student Affairs) and a student Senator appointed by the Dalhousie Student Union jointly review the finding and agreed penalty to determine whether the process followed is consistent with the *Faculty Discipline Procedures*. The decision on ratification must be unanimous. The AIO finding and agreed penalty shall stand, despite possible insubstantial procedural errors.

The Vice-Chair (Student Affairs) reports quarterly to Senate on the results of ratification review meetings conducted during the reporting period. The following statistics are reported in comparison to the same quarter (April-June) in 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26.

Ratification Review Meetings Held:

Apr 16, 30
May 14, 28
Jun 11, Jun 25

	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
AIO Assessments & Recommendations Ratified	264	286	179

Academic Offence	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
Plagiarism	127	75	48
Self-plagiarism	3	0	0
Plagiarism/Unauthorized Collaboration	0	7	0
Submitted work when not sole author	0	112	31
Use of unauthorized materials	30	23	11
Cheating on assignment/exam/test	68	20	58
Unauthorized Collaboration	12	20	10
Copying	23	10	2
Use of Generative AI	0	16	17
Violation of test rules	0	0	1
Falsified data	0	2	0
Aiding in the commission of an offence	0	1	0
Academic Fraud	1	0	0
Impersonation/another student wrote exam	0	0	1
Penalties	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
Failure of course	21	11	8
Notation on transcript	128	46	45
Grade of “0” for assignment/exam	138	142	94

Grade of “0” on portion of assign/exam	8	6	20
Grade for exam/assignment capped	3	3	1
Reduction of final course grade	11	10	3
Reduction of grade for assignment	27	57	28
Resubmit assignment	9	14	10
Warning, reprimand	9	11	4
Writing Centre requirement	107	185	111
Academic Integrity Module	123	177	74
Meet with advisor to discuss path forward	4	3	1
Time MGMT workshop	0	0	4

The number of penalties is greater than the number of matters ratified, as there can be more than one penalty recommended by the AIO and accepted by the student. For example, one student might experience both failure of the class and a notation on the transcript.

Breakdown of Offences by Faculty for 2025-26 (table attached)

College of Sustainability:	0 academic offences for this quarter
Faculty of Open Learning & Career Dev.	0 academic offences for this quarter
Faculty of Law	0 academic offences for this quarter

Faculty	Plagiarism	Submitted work when one is not sole author	Unauthorized materials	Cheating on test/exam	Unauth. Collaboration	Copying	Use of Generative AI/ unuath sources	Violation of test rules	Another student wrote exam
AGRI	21		1						
FASS		31		2	2				
FCS	5			15				1	
ENG			7	1					
GRAD STUDIES	1								
HEALTH	7			3					
MED					2				
MGMT	2			27	4				
SCIENCE	2		3	10	2	2	16		1
KING'S COLLEGE	10						1		

1. AIO Stats on Citizenship Status from April-June 2025/26

Canadian: 117

International: 33

Permanent Resident: 28

Refugee: 1

Landed Immigrant: 0

Total: 179 students

2. AIO Stats on Citizenship Status from April-June 2024/25

Canadian: 201

International: 54

Permanent Resident: 29

Refugee: 2

Landed Immigrant: 0

Total: 286 students

3. AIO Stats on Citizenship Status from April-June 2023/24

Canadian: 121

International: 100

Permanent Resident: 43

Refugee: 0

Landed Immigrant: 0

Total: 264 students

Respectfully submitted by Dr. Yassine El-Hiani, Vice-Chair (Student Affairs) on Sept 14th, 2026.

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