



MEMO

TO: Senators

FROM: Dr. Maria Pacurar, Vice-Chair (Student Affairs)

DATE: April 14, 2025

RE: **Report on Ratification** of Faculty Academic Integrity Officer Assessments and Recommended Penalties
Reporting Period January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025

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 (Jan-Mar) in 2023-2024.

Ratification Review Meetings Held: Jan 7, 22, Feb 5, 13, 20, Mar 6 and Mar 20

	<u>2023/24</u>	<u>2024/25</u>
AIO Assessments and Recommendations Received	266	178
AIO Assessments and Recommendations Ratified	266	178

Academic Offence	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
Plagiarism	97	70
Unauthorized Collaboration	41	18
Use of unauthorized tools/materials	25	5
Cheating/Copying	75	26
Falsified data	0	3
Self-plagiarism	2	1
To gain unearned advantage	8	0
Aiding in commission of academic offence	3	3
Submitted work that was not their own	15	48
Use of Generative AI	0	4

Penalties	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>
Writing Centre requirement	69	115
Academic Integrity Module	160	74
Meet with AIO to discuss academic honesty etc.	0	1
Study for success workshop	0	1
Warning	10	12
Resubmit assignment	7	14
Grade of “0” on portion of assign/exam	16	22
Grade of “0” for assignment/exam	135	63
Grade for exam/assignment capped	1	0
Reduction of grade for assignment/exam	51	47
Reduction of final grade/grade capped for class	13	16
Penalty TBD by SDC	2	0
Notation on transcript	110	37
Failure of course	18	11
Meet with resource person/writing centre	3	0

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Breakdown of academic offences by Faculty for Jan-Mar 2025. 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.

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AIO Stats on citizenship status

1. January-March 2024

Canadian- 107

International- 139

Permanent Resident- 19

Refugee- 1

Total students: 266

2. January-March 2025

Canadian- 109

International- 52

Permanent Resident- 16

Refugee- 1

Total students: 178

Respectfully submitted by Dr. Maria Pacurar, Vice-Chair (Student Affairs) on April 14, 2025.