

MEMO

TO: Senators

FROM: Bob Mann, Manager of Discipline & Appeals

DATE: May 11, 2026

RE: **Report on Ratification** of Faculty Academic Integrity Officer Assessments and Recommended Penalties
Reporting Period January 1, 2026 to March 31, 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 (Jan-Mar) in 2024-2025.

Ratification Review Meetings Held: Jan 15, Jan 29, Feb 12, Feb 26, Mar 12 and Mar 26.

	<u>2024/25</u>	<u>2025/26</u>
AIO Assessments and Recommendations Received	178	188
AIO Assessments and Recommendations Ratified	178	188

Academic Offence	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
Plagiarism	70	81
Self-plagiarism	1	2
Unauthorized Collaboration	18	1
Plagiarism/ Unauthorized collaboration	0	4
Use of unauthorized tools/materials	5	7
Cheating/Copying	26	20
Falsified data	3	1
Aiding in commission of academic offence	3	0
Submitted work that was not their own	48	63
Use of Generative AI	4	5
Violation of test/ exam rules	0	4

Penalties	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
Writing Centre requirement	115	124
Academic Integrity Module	74	90
Meet with AIO to discuss academic honesty etc.	1	4
Study for success workshop	1	0
Warning	12	8
Resubmit assignment	14	15
Grade of “0” on portion of assign/exam	22	14
Grade of “0” for assignment/exam	63	75
Reduction of grade for assignment/exam	47	60
Reduction of final grade/grade capped for course	18	6
Notation on transcript	37	26
Failure of course	11	7

Breakdown of academic offences below by Faculty for Jan-Mar 2026. 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.

Please note the following faculties did not have any academic offences between Jan-Mar 2026:

Architecture & Planning, Dentistry, Law, Medicine and Faculty of Open Learning & Career Development.

Faculty	Plagiarism	Self-plagiarism	Unauthorized collaboration	Plagiarism/Unauth. collaboration	Use of unauthorized tools/materials	Cheating/Copying	Falsified data	Submitted work/not their own	Use of Generative AI	Violation of test/exam rules
Agriculture	27									2
Arts & Social Sciences			1					63		
College of Sustainability	19									
Computer Science	11			4	1	2			2	
Engineering					2	1				
Graduate Studies		2								
Health	4				1	1			1	1
Management	10				1	11				
Science					2	5	1		2	1
University of King's College	10									

AIO Stats on student citizenship status

1. January-March 2026

Canadian- 130

International- 41

Permanent Resident- 17

Refugee- 0

Total students: 188

2. January-March 2025

Canadian- 109

International- 52

Permanent Resident- 16

Refugee- 1

Total students: 178

Respectfully submitted by Bob Mann, Manager of Discipline & Appeals on May 11, 2026.

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