DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MEMO

TO: Senators

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

DATE: October 26, 2026

RE: **Report on Ratification** of Faculty Academic Integrity Officer Assessments and Recommended Penalties

Reporting Period July 1, 2026 to Sept 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 (July- September) in 2025-2026.

Ratification Review Meetings Held: Jul 10, Jul 24
Aug 7, Aug 21
Sept 4, Sept 18

AIO Assessments and Recommendations Received & Ratified	**2025/2026**	**2026/2027**
	59	39

Academic Offence		
Plagiarism	18	6
Self-plagiarism	0	0
Unauthorized Collaboration	9	1
Cheating on assignment/test	6	14
Use of unauthorized materials	0	6
Violation of test rules	1	2
Use of Generative AI	1	6
Copying	0	1
Submitted work when not sole author	24	3

Penalties	**2025/2026**	**2026/2027**
Notation on transcript	14	19
Academic Integrity Module	25	12
Grade of “0” on assignment/exam	30	22
Failure of Course	5	1
Writing Centre Requirement	40	18
Grade of “0” on portion of assignment	0	4
Warning; reprimand only	8	4
Meet with AIO/advisor of faculty	1	0
Reduction of grade for assignment/exam	11	6
Reduction of final grade/grade capped for class	5	6
Resubmit/Rewrite	2	0

Breakdown of Offences by Faculty for 2026/2027

Faculty	Plagiarism	Self-Plagiarism	Copying	Submit work for credit/ not sole author	Unauthorized Collaboration	Use of Generative AI	Use of unauthorized materials	Cheating on assignment/ exam	Violation of test rules
Agriculture									
Architecture & Planning									
Arts & Social Sciences	**1**			**3**					
FOLCD									
College of Sustainability								**3**	
Computer Science	**1**							**6**	**2**
Dentistry									
Engineering									
Graduate Studies									
Health	**4**						**3**		
Law									
Management							**2**	**3**	
Medicine									
Science			**1**		**1**	**6**	**1**	**2**	
University of King's College									

1. AIO Stats on Citizenship Status from July-Sept 2026/27

Canadian	20
International	16
Permanent Resident	3
Refugee	0
Total:	**39 students**

2. AIO Stats on Citizenship Status from July-Sept 2025/26

Canadian	31
International	22
Permanent Resident	6
Refugee	0
Total:	**59 students**

Respectfully submitted by Yassine El-Hiani, Vice-Chair, (Student Affairs) on October 26th, 2026.

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