

**LTC09D075**

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#### **REPORTS OF PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION OFFICERS: 2008-09**

1. The Committee is invited to consider the annual reports of School Plagiarism and Collusion Officers in respect of 2008-09. These are presented by Faculty, viz **HUM (Document 1), FoH (Document 2), SCI (Document 3) and SSF (Document 4)**.
2. The number and type of case, level (undergraduate or postgraduate) outcomes and any penalty imposed are shown together with an indication of those cases that proceeded to a Senate Discipline Committee. Most reports followed a standard template format for ease of presentation and comparability.
3. A summary of data from 2007-08 and 2006-07 is included for purposes of comparison. It is evident that the number of cases considered continues to rise, from 199 in 2006-07 to 202 in 2007-08 and to 270 in 2008-09. This is largely due to increases in the number of cases of alleged plagiarism. Factors may include: increased awareness and vigilance on the part of staff; the use of TURNITIN; and a modest increase in total student numbers
4. A separate exercise has commenced to analyse the data from equal opportunities perspectives such as gender, age and ethnicity as part of an impact assessment exercise. The outcomes will be reported to the Committee later this session.
5. The development of a University-wide data-base, led by the Learning, Teaching and Quality Office, and to be launched from 2010-11, should assist consistency of reporting and analysis of cases of plagiarism and collusion in future sessions. Next session's reports will reflect cases dealt with under the revised plagiarism and collusion policy/procedures introduced from 2009-10.

### 2008/09 Figures

| Faculty      | No of investigated cases re: Plagiarism |           |            | No of investigated cases re: Collusion |          |           | No of investigated cases re: Plagiarism and Collusion |          |          | Grand Total |           |            |
|--------------|---|-----------|------------|--|----------|-----------|---|----------|----------|-------------|-----------|------------|
|              | UG                                      | PGT       | Total      | UG                                     | PGT      | Total     | UG  | PGT      | Total    | UG          | PGT       | Total      |
| HUM          | 53                                      | 32        | **85       | 2                                      | 4        | 6         | 0   | 0        | 0        | 55          | 36        | 91         |
| FoH          | 38                                      | 2         | 40         | 0                                      | 1        | 1         | 0   | 0        | 0        | 38          | 3         | 41         |
| SCI          | 35                                      | 16        | *51        | 23                                     | 2        | 25        | 0   | 1        | 1        | 58          | 19        | 77         |
| SSF          | 23                                      | 29        | 52         | 5                                      | 0        | 5         | 4   | 0        | 4        | 32          | 29        | 61         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>149</b>                              | <b>79</b> | <b>228</b> | <b>30</b>                              | <b>7</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>4</b>  | <b>1</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>183</b>  | <b>87</b> | <b>270</b> |

\* 2 students from 2008/09 cohort but fall into 2009/10 academic year as case arose from reassessment

\*\* includes 4 students who withdrew prior to meeting, 1 student was registered in LAW and 12 in ECO (2 ug and 10 pgt)

### 2007/08 Figures

| FACULTY      | PLAGIARISM | COLLUSION | PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION | TOTAL      |
|--------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|------------|
| <b>TOTAL</b> |            |           |                          |            |
| HUM          | 50         | 0         | 0                        | 50         |
| FoH          | 14         | 1         | 0                        | 15         |
| SCI          | 33*        | 14        | 0                        | 47         |
| SSF          | 86**       | 4         | 0                        | 90         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>183</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>0</b>                 | <b>202</b> |

\* excludes BIO & CMP and 1 case that is currently on hold

\*\* excludes the case reported for a 'different difference' (non-participation)

### 2006/07 Figures

| FACULTY      | PLAGIARISM | COLLUSION | PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION | TOTAL      |
|--------------|------------|-----------|--------------------------|------------|
| <b>TOTAL</b> |            |           |                          |            |
| HUM          | 54*        | 3         | 0                        | 57         |
| FoH          | 9          | 10        | 1                        | 20         |
| SCI          | 10**       | 16        | 0                        | 26         |
| SSF          | 76         | 20        | 0                        | 96         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>149</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>1</b>                 | <b>199</b> |

\* includes 7 cases of students registered in other Faculties (ECO -5; NBS - 1; CMP -1) but who selected HUM modules

\*\* excludes BIO

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES**

**PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION CASES : 2008-09**

| SCHOOL | YEAR | MODULE   | TYPE OF WORK     | OUTCOME   | RECOMMENDATION                | PENALTY                       | REFERRAL TO SENATE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE YES/NO | APPEAL TO ACADEMIC APPEALS COMMITTEE RE RULING |
|--------|------|----------|------------------|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| AMS    | 1    | AMSA1F09 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 52%          | Adjusted mark of 52%          | No   |  |
| LAW    | 1    | AMSA1F04 | Essay            | -   | Adjusted mark of 33%          | Adjusted mark of 33%          | No   |  |
| AMS    | 1    | AMSA1F06 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 29%          | Adjusted mark of 29%          | No   |  |
| AMS    | 1    | AMSA1F06 | Essay            | Student absent from meeting                           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| AMS    | 1    | AMSA1F09 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| HIS    | 2    | AMSA2H01 | Essay            | Plagiarism Admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 35%          | Adjusted mark of 35%          | No   |  |
| ART    | 2    | ART-2Y87 | Project          | Unintentional Plagiarism                              | Resubmission of Work          | Resubmission of Work          | No   |  |
| FTV    | 1    | FTVF1F04 | Essay            | Student absent from meeting                           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| ART    | 1    | FTVF1H06 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| FTV    | 1    | FTVF1H06 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 36%          | Adjusted mark of 36%          | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | FTVF2F03 | Coursework       | Student withdrew from UEA - Mtg                       | None                          | None                          | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | FTVF2F03 | Coursework       | Student withdrew from UEA - Mtg<br>Cancelled          | None                          | None                          | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | FTVF2F03 | Coursework       | Plagiarism admitted - all other work to be reassessed | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | FTVF2F03 | Coursework       | Student cancelled 1st mtg and did not attend 2nd mtg  | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | FTVF2F03 | Essay            | -   | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | FTVF2F03 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| HIS    | 2    | FTVF2F28 | Essay            | Plagiarism Admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 45%          | Adjusted mark of 45%          | No   |  |
| FTV    | 3    | FTVF3F17 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 35%          | Adjusted mark of 35%          | No   |  |
| FTV    | 3    | FTVF3F17 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 39%          | Adjusted mark of 39%          | No   |  |
| INTO   | VIS  | FTVF3F38 | Essay            | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 30%          | Adjusted mark of 30%          | No   |  |
| PSI    | PGT  | FTVFM028 | Critical Summary | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 50%          | Adjusted mark of 50%          | No   |  |
| PSI    | PGT  | FTVFM028 | Critical Summary | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 53%          | Adjusted mark of 53%          | No   |  |
| PSI    | PGT  | FTVFM028 | Essay 2          | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 30%          | Adjusted mark of 30%          | No   |  |
| FTV    | PGT  | FTVFM028 | Essay 2          | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%           | Adjusted mark of 0%           | No   |  |
| PSI    | PGT  | FTVFM028 | Essay 2          | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 25%          | Adjusted mark of 25%          | No   |  |
| FTV    | PGT  | FTVFM032 | Essay 2          | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 40%          | Adjusted mark of 40%          | No   |  |
| FTV    | PGT  | FTVFM032 | Essay 2          | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 47%          | Adjusted mark of 47%          | No   |  |
| FTV    | PGT  | FTVFM03X | Dissertation     | Student absent from meeting                           | Original mark of 53% to stand | Original mark of 53% to stand |  |  |
| HIS    | 1    | HIS-1A19 | Essay            | Collusion not established                             | No penalty                    | No penalty                    | No   |  |

| SCHOOL | YEAR | MODULE                  | TYPE OF WORK | OUTCOME   | RECOMMENDATION              | PENALTY                     | REFERRAL TO SENATE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE YES/NO | APPEAL TO ACADEMIC APPEALS COMMITTEE RE RULING |
|--------|------|-------------------------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| HIS    | 1    | HIS-1A19                | Essay        | Collusion not established                             | No penalty                  | No penalty                  | No   |  |
| HIS    | 1    | HIS-1A19                | Essay        | Plagiarism Admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 58%        | Adjusted mark of 58%        | No   |  |
| LIT    | 1    | LITE1F10                | Coursework   | Plagiarism admitted                                   | 0% awarded                  | 0% awarded                  | No   |  |
| LIT    | 1    | LITE1F22                | Coursework   | Plagiarism admitted                                   | 0% AWARDED                  | 0% AWARDED                  | No   |  |
| LLT    | 2    | LITE2X20                | Project      | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| LIT    | 2    | LITE2Z15                | Coursework 2 | Plagiarism admitted                                   | 0% awarded                  | 0% awarded                  | No   |  |
| LIT    | 3    | LITE3X40                | Coursework   | Plagiarism admitted                                   | 45%                         | 45%                         | No   |  |
| LIT    | 3    | LITE3X40                | Project      | Plagiarism admitted                                   | 45%                         | 45%                         | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | LLT-2L29                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA01                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 57%        | Adjusted mark of 57%        | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA02                | Report       | Collusion admitted                                    | No penalty                  | No penalty                  | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA02                | Report       | Collusion admitted                                    | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA02                | Report       | No intent to deceive/no collusion                     | No penalty                  | No penalty                  | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA02                | Report       | No intent to deceive/no collusion                     | No penalty                  | No penalty                  | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA12                | Commentary   | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 25%        | Adjusted mark of 25%        | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MA12                | Case Study   | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 35%        | Adjusted mark of 35%        | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MD1X                | Dissertation | Student absent from meeting                           | Adjusted mark of 50%        | Adjusted mark of 50%        | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-MD2X                | Dissertation | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| LLT    | PGT  | LLT-ML19 (reassessment) | Essay        | Student absent from meeting                           | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| MUS    | 2    | MUS-2H59                | Coursework   | Plagiarism admitted                                   | 0% awarded                  | 0% awarded                  | No   |  |
| MUS    | 3    | MUS-3P0Y                | Coursework   | Student appeared not to have                          | no penalty and resubmission | no penalty and resubmission | No   |  |
| PSI    | 1    | PHI-1A04                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| PHI    | 2    | PHI-2A37                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| PHI    | 3    | PHI-3A18                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 40%        | Adjusted mark of 40%        | No   |  |
| PHI    | 3    | PHI-3A18                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 23%        | Adjusted mark of 23%        | No   |  |
| PHI    | 3    | PHI-3A18                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 31%        | Adjusted mark of 31%        | No   |  |
| ECO    | 1    | PSI-1A01                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| PSI    | 1    | PSI-1A04                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| PSI    | 1    | PSI-1A04                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| PSI    | 1    | PSI-1A06                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 15%        | Adjusted mark of 15%        | No   |  |
| PSI    | 1    | PSI-1A06                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 57%        | Adjusted mark of 57%        | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | PSI-2A02                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 43%        | Adjusted mark of 43%        | No   |  |
| ECO    | 2    | PSI-2A22                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 30%        | Adjusted mark of 30%        | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | PSI-2A26                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 40%        | Adjusted mark of 40%        | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | PSI-2A27                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted                                   | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |
| PSI    | 2    | PSI-2A27                | Essay        | Plagiarism admitted - all other work to be reassessed | Adjusted mark of 0%         | Adjusted mark of 0%         | No   |  |



| FACULTY OF: FOH, AHP                     |      |            |   |  |  |         |  |   |
|--|------|------------|---|--|--|---------|--|---|
|  |      |            |   |  |  |         |  |   |
| PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION CASES : 2008-09 |      |            |   |  |  |         |  |   |
|  |      |            |   |  |  |         |  |   |
| SCHOOL                                   | YEAR | MODULE     | TYPE OF WORK  | OUTCOME                                  | RECOMMENDATION   | PENALTY | REFERRAL TO SENATE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE YES/NO | APPEAL TO ACADEMIC APPEALS COMMITTEE RULING |
| AHP                                      | 2009 | LS1        | Psychology essay                                    | Level 1: FAIL/ RE-SIT                    | DoS learning support services, DoS e-learning resources plagiarism and collusion | N/A     | NO   | NO  |
| AHP                                      | 2009 | MED-M31D   | Critical appraisal of a quantitative research paper | Level 2: FAIL/ RE-SIT                    | DoS learning support service, DoS e-learning resources plagiarism and collusion  | N/A     | NO   | NO  |
| AHP & MED                                | 2009 | MED – M31E | Intro to Research Methods Quant                     | Referred to Faculty Plagiarism Committee | No further action  | N/A     | NO   | NO  |

| FACULTY OF: FOH, MED                     |        |          |   |                           |   |                           |  |  |
|--|--------|----------|---|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|--|--|
| PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION CASES : 2008-09 |        |          |   |                           |   |                           |  |  |
| SCHOOL                                   | YEAR   | MODULE   | TYPE OF WORK  | OUTCOME                   | RECOMMENDATION  | PENALTY                   | REFERRAL TO SENATE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE YES/NO | APEAL TO ACADEMIC APPEALS COMMITTEE RULING |
| AHP                                      | 2008-9 | MED-M31D | Critical appraisal of a quantitative research paper | Level 2: FAIL/ RE-SIT     | DoS learning support service, DoS e-learning resources plagiarism and collusion | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B4Y | Analytical Review                                   | Suspected plagiarism      | Student to write an essay on plagiarism   | 2nd Dean's warning issued | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3D08 | SSS Poster  | Suspected plagiarism      | Referred to reassessment  | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3E4Y | Research Project report                             | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3B04 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-1B02 | Analytical Review                                   | Unwitting collusion       | Work reassessed   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-1B02 | Analytical Review                                   | No case to answer         | N/A   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-1B02 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-1B02 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-1B02 | Analytical Review                                   | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-3D1Y | Elective proposal (unassessed)                      | Warning on feedback sheet | No further action   | N/A                       | No   | No   |
| MED                                      | 2008-9 | MED-M521 | Research synthesis                                  | Plagiarism admitted       | Zero mark and resubmit as reassessment  | Zero mark                 | No   | No   |

## **PLAGIARISM/COLLUSION REPORT FOR LEARNING AND TEACHING COMMITTEE**

### **SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY**

**From Karen Bates & Emma Sutton**

### **REPORT FOR ACADEMIC YEAR SEPT 2008-AUGUST 2009**

- 1 Between September 08 - September 09 there were 15 investigated cases of plagiarism undertaken within the School of Nursing and Midwifery [see appendix A]. In comparison to preceding years this has been a significantly busier period, with an increasing number of both formal investigations and informal enquiries being made
- 2 Two of these cases culminated in referral to Senate Discipline Committee as they were deemed to be the most serious offence of level 3. In addition to that were professional issues associated with professional integrity and behaviour inconsistent with the Code [Nursing and Midwifery Council 2008]. One of these case – the most serious, involving a direct lift of a complete dissertation from the internet, was reviewed by the SDC. Recommendations were a resubmission with reassessment costs and that the school considers the case under Fitness to Practise and possible referral to the PMU. At the time this case was originally investigated and recommendations made, the fitness to practise panels had not been established within NAM. The other case did not get as far as SDC and was referred back to NAM for a reconsideration of the level of offence from level 2 to level 3 following a stage 1 appeal. This has raised important procedural issues in relation to how professional aspects associated with plagiarism behaviour [i.e lack of honesty, integrity etc] are managed.
- 3 In February 2009 a Deputy Plagiarism Officer was appointed – Emma Sutton in response to the growing number of cases being brought to the attention of the School's existing PO
- 4 Although now implemented, Turnitin has not been used to date with any suspected cases of plagiarism.
- 5 Analysis of the cases showed that a worryingly high proportion of cases were at the dissertation stage of the course. As a result the plagiarism officer talked with the students during their final modules of study to remind them about the seriousness of plagiarising.
- 6 Alongside this a proportion of cases are emerging among post-registration provision where students also hold a professional registration. As above the preparation of such students has been formalised with module leads including plagiarism awareness within module induction programmes.
- 7 The vast majority of cases considered identified that plagiarism had taken place in the context of poor understanding of plagiarism and limited academic ability. Many students had also not sought adequate academic advice.
- 8 Following the implementation of the revised plagiarism policy, a number of concerns have been expressed by NAM and there was an opportunity to discuss these concerns with the Director of Taught Programmes at a meeting for FOH plagiarism officers on 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Unfair advantage given to plagiarism students in level 1 category over students who fail their work and have not plagiarised

The fact that the penalised mark can not be flagged at exam boards means that exam boards do not have a complete or full account of the circumstances surrounding that penalised mark. This has undoubtedly hampered the effective



and smooth running of the NAM exam boards and presented the chair with challenges.

9 Outstanding concerns include:

i] The option of offering to some students who have plagiarised at Level 1 an opportunity for a delayed submission of their work without any penalty. This would appear to be unfairly advantageous to these students relative to those who have not plagiarised.

ii] The fact that an Examination Board should not be made aware that a particular mark has been adjusted as the result of the plagiarism investigation means that the Board may be hampered in its deliberations due to inadequate or incomplete information.

**Karen Bates**  
**Plagiarism Officer**  
**18 December 2009**

**Emma Sutton**  
**Deputy Plagiarism Officer**

## APPENDIX A

|    |            |  |  |
|----|------------|--|--|
|    |            |  |  |
| 1  | Sept '08   | Dissertation – 2 <sup>nd</sup> submission<br>Copied from another student's work – same set                                       | Adjusted mark – 30% - failed 2 <sup>nd</sup> sub<br>Student has since re-applied for and been accepted onto mental health nursing course.  |
| 2  | Oct '08    | Nurse Prescribing course<br>'Extensive' plagiarism of the whole of dissertation from a script submitted to Nottingham University | Dissertation received adjusted mark 0%<br>Referred to SDC  |
| 3  | Oct '08    | Dissertation   | Adjusted mark 15%<br>Submit special factors with 2 <sup>nd</sup> submission<br>Student has withdrawn   |
| 4  | Oct '08    | Pre Reg 2 <sup>nd</sup> submission unit 9  | Denied plagiarism – referred to Faculty hearing but admitted extensive plagiarism 2 days before the hearing.<br>Adjusted mark 0%<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Sub voided<br>Student has since attended Senate Discipline hearing and has been withdrawn from programme of study at UEA |
| 5  | Oct '08    | Mentorship Programme   | Plagiarism was admitted within portfolio, but not in the work that was awarded a mark for. No adjustment to mark but plagiarism was admitted and accepted  |
| 6  | Dec '08    | Dissertation MSc   | Plagiarism admitted – 1 <sup>st</sup> sub<br>Mark adjusted accordingly   |
| 7  | June '09   | Post Reg   | Plagiarism admitted – 1 <sup>st</sup> sub<br>Mark adjusted accordingly   |
| 8  | June '09   | Mentor Prep  | No action taken – very small amount of plagiarism – 1 paragraph. Feedback to student   |
| 9  | June '09   | Term B year 2<br>Empowerment in Nursing  | Plagiarism admitted- 1st sub mark adjusted accordingly.  |
| 10 | July '09   | Term B year 2<br>Empowerment in Nursing  | Student admitted plagiarism on resub [received a fail grade]. Presented significant special factors relating to first submission – advised to present to the Board to mitigate against first sub fail.   |
| 11 | August '09 | Post reg<br>Prep for level 3   | Plagiarism admitted – fail grade awarded.  |
| 12 | August '09 | Module 2 and 3 [term B & C] year 1   | Due to be seen 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept. DNA<br>Student withdrawn from course for non attendance   |
| 13 | August '09 | Mental health  | Level 3 offence, referred to SDC. Student appealed decision– advice from LTQ to reduce penalty.<br>Level 2 offence awarded and recommendation for student to be seen by HOS to raise the seriousness of the plagiarism, particularly as the denied                           |

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|----|------------|-------------------------------|---|
|    |            |                               | plagiarism has not been tested by a Faculty plagiarism and collusion committee. Student may be withdrawing from the course.   |
| 14 | August '09 | Post reg mentor prep          | Student admitted plagiarism – no evidence of intent – cultural factors played a part in plagiarism [foreign student]<br>Work withdrawn – no penalty – but student advised to undertake prep for level 3 module and seek advice from DOS |
| 15 |            | BSc Nursing Practice post reg | Plagiarism admitted – 1 <sup>st</sup> sub<br>Mark adjusted accordingly [8%]   |

| FACULTY OF: SCIENCE - POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT STUDENTS |        |                         |                    |  |   |                 |                 |  |  |
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| PLAGIARISM AND COLLUSION CASES : 2008-09           |        |                         |                    |  |   |                 |                 |  |  |
| SCHOOL   | YEAR   | MODULE                  | TYPE OF WORK       | OUTCOME  | RECOMMENDATION  | PENALTY         |                 | REFERRAL TO SENATE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE YES/NO | APPEAL TO ACADEMIC APPEALS COMMITTEE RE RULING |
|  |        |                         |                    |  |   | ORIGINAL MARK % | ADJUSTED MARK % |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M533                | Written Assignment | Adjustment to 0  | Fairly Extensive Plagiarism - penalty to be applied   | 50.00           | 0.00            |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M523                | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 10 marks   | Plagiarism not extensive (this work had been submitted at the same time as ENV-M533 and, accordingly, it was agreed that this would not be considered to be the second offence) - penalty to be applied | 58.00           | 48.00           |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M62X (Dissertation) | Written Assignment | Referred to Faculty P&C Committee  | Suspicion that the dissertation had not been written by the student - referred to Faculty for final decision  | n/a             | 0.00            |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M62X (Dissertation) | Written Assignment | Faculty P&C Cttee recommended marking at face value and then adjust to reflect genuine work by the student | See full report - substantial collusion   | 73.00           | 0.00            |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M538 (Reassessment) | Written Assignment | Adjustment to 0  | Extensive plagiarism  | 54.00           | 0.00            |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M542 (Reassessment) | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 8 marks  | Minor plagiarism - penalty to be applied  | 58.00           | 50.00           |  |  |
| ENV  | 2008/9 | ENV-M542                | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 5 marks  | Minor plagiarism - bad practice - penalty to be applied   | 45.00           | 40.00           |  |  |

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| ENV | 2008/9 | ENV-M542 | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 5 marks                                | Minor plagiarism - bad practice - penalty to be applied                            | 50.00 | 45.00 |  |  |
| ENV | 2008/9 | ENV-M552 | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 45 marks                               | Fairly extensive plagiarism of one portion of assignment - penalty to be applied   | 55.00 | 10.00 |  |  |
| ENV | 2008/9 | ENV-M533 | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 10 marks                               | Plagiarism not extensive - penalty to be applied                                   | 48.00 | 38.00 |  |  |
| ENV | 2008/9 | ENV-M533 | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 5 marks                                | Plagiarism was minor - penalty to be applied                                       | 60.00 | 55.00 |  |  |
| ENV | 2008/9 | ENV-M515 | Written Assignment | No adjustment made                                   | Considered poor practice due to health reasons rather than plagiarism - no penalty | n/a   | n/a   |  |  |
| BIO | 2008/9 | BIO-M101 | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 13 marks                               | Plagiarism was minor - penalty to be applied                                       | 53.00 | 40.00 |  |  |
| BIO | 2008/9 | BIO-M101 | Written Assignment | Adjustment by 5 marks                                | Plagiarism was minor - penalty to be applied                                       | 54.00 | 49.00 |  |  |
| CMP | 2008/9 | CMPSMA01 | Written Assignment | Adjustment to 0                                      | Serious and Extensive Plagiarism - penalty to be applied                           | 58.00 | 0.00  |  |  |
| CMP | 2008/9 | CMPSMA01 | Written Assignment | Adjustment of 11.6 marks                             | Plagiarism was minor - penalty to be applied                                       | 58.00 | 46.40 |  |  |
| CMP | 2008/9 | CMPSMP2Y | Written Assignment | Adjustment to 0                                      | Serious and Extensive Plagiarism - penalty to be applied                           | 67.00 | 0.00  |  |  |
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| CMP | 2009/0 | CMPSMP2Y | Written Assignment | 30/09/09 & 04/11/09 - No adjustment                  | No adjustment made - Guilty of collusion but no penalty applied                    | 55.00 | 55.00 |  |  |
| CMP | 2009/0 | CMPSMP2Y | Written Assignment | 30/09/09 & 04/11/09 - Adjustment of marks to be made | Adjustment by 40 marks - Guilty of plagiarism and collusion                        | 54.00 | 14.00 |  |  |

**SCHEDULE OF ALLEGED DETECTED PLAGIARISM/COLLUSION CASES RELATING TO COHORT FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2008/09  
ULTIMATELY DECIDED NOT TO BE THE CASE**

| Date of Meeting | Home School | Attend | UG/PGT YR | Mod      | Type of Work | Consideration (summing up)  | Plag Admitted | Further Action | Decision - Outcome  | Recommendation - Provisional Mark Awarded                           | Disciplinary Action |
|-----------------|-------------|--------|-----------|----------|--------------|---|---------------|----------------|---|---|---------------------|
|                 | DEV         | Yes    | UG 3      | DEV-3C21 | WA           | The text raising concern appeared to be researched from an article which was no longer available on the website. It was understandable that this source had been used extensively in this coursework. One sentence appeared to have been copied near-verbatim from source, though this appeared to reflect the student's notes rather than cutting and pasting. | No            | None           | The Plagiarism Officer concluded that, although it was unfortunate that the source article was no longer available, the notes produced by x satisfied any concerns in respect of plagiarism that might have been raised. Plagiarism was therefore not found and the mark for this piece of work will not be adjusted.   | 77% - no adjustment   | None                |
|                 | DEV         | Yes    | PGT       | DEV-M007 | WA           | Two very different styles of writing had been found in this essay, the first being an impressive, polished style and the second being much poorer. Concerned was expressed that the first section of the essay was not the student's own work   | No            | None           | The Plagiarism Officer read all of the student's essays and concluded that there was no evidence to support a plagiarism/collusion decision in this case. The mark for this essay will not be adjusted. Decision taken based on no evidence being found to support the view that some of this essay was not the Student's own work. Having read all of the student's essays submitted so far the Plagiarism Officer accepted that x had put a lot of hard work into writing x her essays. However, he did believe that it was likely that m any of the sentences of the essay discussed during this meeting were not the student's own and will advise to ensure that they use their own words in the future, as they did for the first two essays submitted. | 57% (includes a late submission penalty of 5 marks) - no adjustment | None                |

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|-----------------|-------------|--------|-----------|----------|--------------|--|---------------|----------------|--|---|---------------------|
| 1.5.09          | DEV         | Yes    | PGT       | DEV-M090 | WA           | The text forming a minor part of the content had been copied, some verbatim and some paraphrasing, from the above sources. Quotation marks had not been used to indicate the copied text and these sections had not all been correctly referenced. | NO            | None           | The Plagiarism Officer concluded that, although small sections of this piece of work had not been correctly referenced, in this instance the view would be taken that this was a case of poor academic practice rather than plagiarism. The provisional mark of 57% will not be adjusted. Decision taken based on the evidence that in all but one case the source had been included in the bibliography and had been cited but quotation marks had not been used to clearly indicate the copied sections. | 57% (no adjustment)                       | None                |

**SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS**  
**SCHEDULE OF DETECTED COLLUSION CASES RELATING TO COHORT FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2008/09**

| Date of Meeting | Home School | Student Attended Meeting | UG/PG T YR | Module   | Type of Work | Consideration (summing up)   | Collusion Admitted | Further Action                | Decision - Outcome  | Recommendation - Provisional Mark Awarded  | Disciplinary Action       |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|------------|----------|--------------|--|--------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|
|                 | ECO         | Yes                      | UG         | ECO-1A2Y | WA           | In respect of Q1 it appeared that Student 1 and Student 2 had colluded. In respect of Q2, the plagiarised text forming a major part of this question had been copied, verbatim, from websites. Quotation marks had not been used to indicate the copied text and these sections had not been correctly referenced (references had been included at the end of each paragraph in most cases). Source had not been included in the bibliography. | Yes                | None                          | Student 1 had colluded with Student 2 in respect of Question 1 and that a major part of Question 2 had been plagiarised. Decision taken based on the evidence that Student 1 and Student 2 had worked together in respect of Q1 and a major part of Q2 had been plagiarised (there was virtually no evidence of the Student's own work in this question). Source had not been correctly referenced or included in the bibliography and quotation marks to indicate copied sections had not been used. Consideration has been given to the merit of the work taking into account the extent of the plagiarised material. | 9.5% will be awarded for this assessment (Q1 total mark of 19% divided equally between Student 1 and Student 2 = 9.5% and Q2 0%) | None                      |
| 5.5.09          | ECO         | Yes                      | UG         | ECO-1A06 | WA           | It appeared that Student 1 and Student 2 had colluded whilst completing their coursework.  | No                 | Refer to SSF Plag & Coll Comm | The SSF Plagiarism & Collusion Committee concluded that the areas noted within 3.i) of their report constituted compelling evidence of collusion between the students therefore supporting the School's allegations. However, some of the other similarities such as 3.ii), were likely to be more common mistakes made by students with a poor grasp of the material.  | Adjusted provisional mark of 26% (original mark 52% - divided equally between both students)                                     | HoS recommended and sent. |





Norwich Business School

SCHEDULE OF ALLEGED DETECTED PLAGIARISM/COLLUSION CASES RELATING TO COHORT FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2008/09

ULTIMATELY DECIDED NOT TO BE THE CASE

| Date of Meeting | Home School | Student Attended Meeting | UG/PGT YR | Module   | Type of Work | Plagiarism /CollusionAdmitted | Further Action | Decision - Outcome  | Recommendation - Provisional Mark Awarded | Disciplinary Action |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------|-----------|----------|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------|---|---|---------------------|
| 06.03.09        | NBS         | Yes                      | UG        | NBS-3A7Y | WA           | No                            | None           | Student's explanation of error in layout of the tables in the assignment was accepted | No penalty. Apology from School.          | None                |
| 06.03.09        | NBS         | Yes                      | UG        | NBS-3A7Y | WA           | No                            | None           | Student's explanation of error in layout of the tables in the assignment was accepted | No penalty. Apology from School.          | None                |
| 06.03.09        | NBS         | Yes                      | UG        | NBS-3A7Y | WA           | No                            | None           | Student's explanation of error in layout of the tables in the assignment was accepted | No penalty. Apology from School.          | None                |

## SWP and EDU Plagiarism report 2008/9

| <u>Home School</u> | <u>Year</u> | <u>Module Involved</u> | <u>Type of Work</u> | <u>Outcome</u> | <u>Recommendation (adjusted mark)</u> | <u>Deduction of:</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| EDU                | 2008/9      | EDU-1P01               | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 10.00                   |                      |
|                    |             |                        |                     |                |                                       |                      |
| SWP                | 2008/9      | SWK 2831               | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 25.00                   | 12%                  |
| SWP                | 2008/9      | SWP P1B28              | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 0.00                    | 25%                  |
| SWP                | 2008/9      | SWP P1B29              | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 0.00                    | 35%                  |
| SWP                | 2008/9      | SWKP 2B27              | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 47.5%                   | 2.5%                 |
| SWP                | 2008/9      | SWKP3B14               | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 20.00                   |                      |
| SWP                | 2008/9      | SWKP3P14               | WA                  | Admitted       | Merit Mark of 49.00                   | 10%                  |
|                    |             |                        |                     |                |                                       |                      |